

### A Bold Robbery.

YESTERDAY MORNING a quiet family living in Lot 30—about fourteen miles from this city—were much alarmed on discovering that a fine mare and two geese were stolen from their barnyard. The mare was tracked to the city, and yesterday evening found tied outside a stable on Malpeque Road, about half a mile from the city suburbs. The facts of the case, as far as can be gleaned are:—

Yesterday morning, about 6 o'clock, the family of Mr. Peter Connolly, Lot 30, heard an unusual noise in the barnyard, a short distance from the dwelling house. No attention was paid to it. Shortly after one of the junior members of the family visited the stable, and on returning to the house reported that a mare had been stolen, no doubt at the time the noise was heard. The mare taken had a peculiarly marked hoof, and immediately going to the road they discovered her track toward. One of the family followed on horseback and after proceeding a short distance received information that a suspicious looking individual—who had been lurking in that vicinity—passed towards the city on horseback, having two geese, with their heads tied together, hanging across the horse's rump. Following the trail he was met by a young man on the road who informed him further: "that he found two geese on the road tied together by a pocket handkerchief; that he was carrying them home when a rough-looking fellow—who he saw tying a horse in a bush—came running back; took the geese and threatened to beat him. Then going to where the horse was tied he threw the geese across the horse's neck and drove off towards the city." Young Connolly followed, but lost the track after passing the "Queen's Arms." He came to the city and informed the police of the matter.

Yesterday afternoon it was reported at the Police Station that the barn of H. B. Smith, Esq., between Malpeque and Mount Edward Roads, had been broken into; that a set of harness had been stolen, and that a horse was tied outside the barn, feeding on hay, which had been taken from the hayloft. The police repaired thither, and found the horse to be the one stolen from Mr. Connolly's premises, Lot 30. The geese and harness were also found under a bridge in front of the barn.

The officer took the horse and geese to the city, but, afterwards, returned to the barn; left them in the same position as they had previously been, and retired to await the return of the thief. This happy thought struck them too late. The daring thief evidently saw them taking his spoils and returning them. He did not return.

Suspicion was laid on a fellow named Pete Donnelly—who resides at the East End—as being the party who stole the mare, geese and harness. Pete has been charged with diminishing the labor on the lines, and, a short time ago, left the city to avoid arrest. This morning officers McKinnon, Shea, and Hennessy paid Donnelly's residence a visit. McKinnon remained outside, and the others entered the house, and found Pete secreted under a bed in a small room. They fished him out and a general row followed. Donnelly jumped on the bed, put his broad back to the wall and kept the two officers at bay. McKinnon was called. On entering the room he seized Donnelly. An old woman, with a stove poker in one hand, seized McKinnon and dealt him a few blows on the head. The quartette inside came rushing toward the door. McKinnon fell. Donnelly fell on top of his right leg, and the other officers fell on top of Donnelly. When they recovered it was found that McKinnon's leg was badly sprained. Donnelly was then handcuffed and brought to the police station. A quantity of blood, which is supposed to have flown from the geese, was found on his clothing. He will be examined to-morrow.

### The Pitches.

On Dit—That a suit is to be commenced against the Local Government to compel them to break the roads leading to the city. The pitches are as thick as the waves of the ocean on a stormy night; and they seriously inconvenience persons visiting the city. They are positively dangerous to persons of sensitive organizations; and to the delicate they present a barrier which may be crossed only at the imminent risk of life. They are an unmitigated nuisance which the local officials take not the slightest pains to abate.

### Trains Delayed.

On Saturday evening, the train for Souris encountered a heavy snow bank, from four to ten feet deep, between Morell and St. Peters. She endeavored to make way through it, but was unable to do so, and the train was compelled to remain on the road all Saturday night. Yesterday morning "an auxiliary" was sent from this city. The combined strength of both trains soon forced a passage, and they arrived at Souris on Sunday evening, at 5.40, and returned to this city to-day on time.

The Georgetown train on Saturday evening, was detained a few hours by a heavy snow drift on the track, two miles east of Baldwin Station. The snow was from four to six feet deep. To-day she has been detained at the same place by the same cause. One of the locomotives has been broken, and the train did not arrive in the city till 4.30 p.m.

The western trains are running on time.

IN LUCK.—A cow belonging to Chaisson of Tignish gave birth to three calves some days ago. The Pioneer says: "The little we know of stock-raising, the time year as well as the rapid increase, would appear somewhat unusual among the bovine."

### Horrible Murder in Bangor, Me.

A MAN FOUND FEARFULLY MANGLED—HIS HEAD SMASHED BY BLOWS WITH AN AXE—THE MURDERER DRIVES THE DEAD MAN'S TEAM TO THE DEPOT.

Says the Bangor *Whig* of Thursday:—We are obliged to chronicle this morning one of the most brutal and horrible murders ever perpetrated in this State, the victim proving to be Mr. William B. Elliot, a well-known citizen and Constable of Glenburn. The discovery of the frightful deed was made as follows:—

After the European and North American train had gone across to the Maine Central station last evening to wait for the arrival of the Western train, as the night watchman at the depot, Amos Colson, was passing around the Washington street side a man came driving a pair of horses attached to a sled down Washington street toward Exchange at rapid speed, and, pulling up near the telegraph pole by the freight depot, jumped off and hurried past Mr. Colson, asking if he would look out for his horses while he ran over to the Maine Central depot. The horses were wet from fast driving and the man passed Colson at a half run, saying something about getting over before the train left. Mr. Colson thought the man rather cool in leaving his team thus in his charge, but led the horses across Exchange street and hitched them under Pearson's shed. About a quarter before 10 p. m., the train having been gone some time, Mr. Colson thought he would cover the horses up, as the man had not returned. He took his lantern and went over to the shed, and was pulling a horse blanket from under some bags of meal, when the bag turned and by the light of his lantern he saw that the blanket and bag were SATURATED WITH FRESH BLOOD.

Startled by this discovery, he looked over the sled more closely and found some loose change lying near the front part, which proved to be a silver quarter, a dime and seven cents in coppers, just forty-two cents in all. Foul play at once being suggested to his mind, he backed the horses out and drove up Exchange street, where he met officer Allen. Officer Allen drove the team back to the depot, where they got the lantern and made further examination. To their horror they discovered in addition to the blood-stained bags and blanket

AN AXE COVERED WITH BLOOD, lots of which mixed with apparently human hair were adhering to the iron. There were two bags of feed on the sled, one of which was saturated on one side with blood, and one horse blanket, stained in the same way and still moist.

### DISCOVERY OF THE MURDERED MAN.

They had been at the depot but a few minutes when a young man informed them that news of a murder near Merrill's Mill had been brought to the Police Station and that officers Nickerson and Emerson had gone thither in a pung. The Marshal and his assistants at once drove out with the sled team and met the officers returning with the body in their pung, they reporting the man still alive but horribly mangled.

What was their horror to find THE MAN WELTERING IN HIS BLOOD with his head horribly mangled and life apparently extinct. The officers found the body lying just outside the track of the road at right angles with it, his feet towards the road, partially rolled in a horse blanket. His hat was of and lying on the snow, and there were marks in the drift that indicated that he had first fallen, then staggered and dropped again where he was found. A slight moaning indicated that life was not entirely extinct, and they placed the body in the pung and returned as rapidly as possible to the city. An examination was made by Drs. Sauger and Young, who discovered that the unfortunate victim of diabolical crime was beyond all human aid as HIS HEAD WAS LITERALLY SMASHED IN SEVERAL PLACES

by blows from an axe. There was one frightful blow on the upper left side of the head behind, where the skull was completely smashed in, as with the poll of the axe. On the right side of the forehead, near the hair, was a gaping wound where the sharp edge of the axe cut through the skull. On the upper portion of the right side of the head behind was another fearful blow from the poll of the axe, and on the right side, above the temple, the head was flattened as if from a terrific blow with the flat side of the axe. An effort was made to administer stimulants in the bare hope that consciousness might momentarily revive but at about twenty minutes before midnight the last spark of vitality fled.

THE MURDERED MAN was identified by his pocket memorandum book as William B. Elliot, of Glenburn, known as a constable of that town and as having been collector of taxes.

ARREST. A man named Hatch was arrested on suspicion, but discharged for want of evidence. An inquest will be held.

THE TERRIBLE FACTS were broken as gently as possible to the widow on the ride to the city, but the scene when she saw her murdered husband was one to try the stoutest heart. She remained at the station until nearly 4 a. m., when she was taken to the residence of her cousin, Mr. Latham, of this city.

His Excellency the Governor General, the Marquis of Lorne, taking a lively interest in the game of curling, has decided to give annually, during the time he remains in Canada, a silver cup to be played for by all the regularly organized curling clubs of the Dominion who desire to enter into the competition.

In the liquor trials, at Yarmouth, N. S., on the 7th, there was one conviction and two cases abandoned. The excitement is on the increase and result in disturbance and blood-

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July 3, 1878—

### To the Travelling Public

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Dec. 14.

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Dated this twenty-first day of January, A. D., 1879.

EDWARD J. HODGSON,

GEORGE W. DEBLOIS,

THOS. HANDBRAN,

Executors.

Jan. 21, 1879. r g 3m

Wants, Lost, Found, &c.

Advertisements under this heading, in space not exceeding half an inch, will be inserted for Ten Cents per day.

FOUND—Two parcels of Goods; also a PURSE containing a small sum of money was left in my shop some time ago. can be had by calling and proving property, and paying expenses of this advertisement.

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Feb 10—6m

LOST.—This morning, a GOLD EAR-RING. The finder will oblige by leaving it at the "Examiner Office."

Feb. 7, 1879—1m

LOST.—Last night, a No. 9 SKATE. The finder will please leave it at the EXAMINER OFFICE.

February 9, 1879—2m

LOST.—In this city, on Tuesday last, a Pocket Book containing a small sum of money and some papers. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it at this office.

Ch'town, Feb. 6, 1879.

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