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COMPANY.

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JAMES DOAK. Doaktown, May 7. 1898,

NOTICE OF

To Ignatius Redmond, of the parish of Chatham in the County of Northumberland, New Brunswick farmer, and Cicily Redmond his wife and to al mortgage bearing date the twenty second day of ovember A.D 1887, and made between the said Ignatius and Cicily Redmond of the first part and John Brown of Chatham, in the said county, merchant (since deceased) of the other part, there will be sold by public auction, on Thursday the twenty first day of July next, at twelve o'clock, noon, in front of the post office in the Town of Chathan, the following property in the said indenture of mort-gage described, default having been made in payand being in the parish of Chatham, aforesaid known as part of lot number sixteen granted to Alexander Fidler, bounded on the southerly side by the northerly side of a road leading from the Richibucto 10ad to the old Napan road; on the easterly side by the old Napan road; on the westerly side by that part of lot sixteen formerly occupied by George Cribbs and northerly by another road leading from the Richibucto road to the old Napan road known as the Crosby road and contains thirty acres more or less and was conveyed to the said Ignatius Redmond by Margaret Swan Graham and Mary D. Graham, by deed dated the 26th July 1873.

Also all that piece of land situate in Chathar aforesaid, containing six acres more or less sold and conveyed to the said Ignatius Redmond by Johanna Hart and Thomas Hart by deed bearing date the day of August 1876, as by reference thereto will fully appear, and on which piece of land the said Ignatius Redmond formerly or now

parish of Gienelg, in the county aforesaid, bounded on the westerly side by lands owned and occupied ember A. Q. 1887, as by reference thereto will fully

Together with all and singular the buildings and improvements thereon, and the rights, members, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances to the said premises belonging or appertaining.

Brown, deceased. Chatham, 16th May A D. 1898.

Miramichi Advance.

OHATHAM: N. B., JUNE 2, 1898

The War.

events during the past week. The Spanish Cape de Verde squadron under Admiral Cervera, after being reported at several places has, at last, been located in the harbor of Santiago, on the south side of Cuba, about 100 miles west of Cape Maysi. Commander Schley, with the United States flying squadron is lying off this harbor to prevent the egress of the Spanish vessels. Meantime, General Miles is about leaving Tampa with a force of about 15.000 men and it is announced that his intention is to effect a landing at a point near Santiago and attack the place by regular land siege, having with him artillery for the purpose. He has under his control a large number of vessels of all kinds, and an adequate commissariat.

Before another week a decisive blow ought to be struck against Spanish control in Cuba, which, up to the present time, does not appear to have been materially affected beyond the partial blockade that has been maintained.

Later advices announce that the U. S. ships are attacking Santiago. The Fisheries Case.

Several years ago the questions at ssue between the Dominion and Provincial governments regarding their respective jurisdiction and authority in fisheries matters in the several provinces, were formulated by mutual consent and submitted, first to the DISINFECTANT PURPOSES Supreme Court of Canada and next to the Imperial Privy Council for final decision. The Privy Council has now given its judgment which is summarised as follows by the Toronto Globe :-"The effect of the judgment is to hold that the beds of all lakes, rivers and other waters within the territorial limits of the several provinces, and not granted before Confederation, became, under the

British North America Act, the property of the province in which the same is situate, and that there is no distinction in this respect between the various classes of waters, whether salt waters or fresh waters, tidal or non-tidal, navigable or non-navigable, or between the great lakes such as Lake Huron and Superior, or the rivers such as the St. Lawrence and other rivers, that all go to the provinces, except public harbors, which are held to belong to the Dominion. The Privy Council hold that the question of harbors is a matter of fact in each particular case. The Curtis Gives Himself Up to the Authoriact of the Dominion respecting works in or over navigable rivers is held to be intra vires. The Privy Council also confirm the Supreme Court in holding that riparian proprietors before Confederation had the exclusive right of fishing in nonnavigable lakes, rivers, streams and waters the beds of which have been granted to

them by the crown. "One of the most important, practically, of the conclusions of the Privy Council that the Dominion has no jurisdiction to make a grant giving the exclusive right of fishing in any waters, whether navigable or non-navigable, except harbors, though they have the right and jurisdiction to license and regulate fisheries; or, in other words, the effect of the holding that the the right to the revenue, though the Dominion has the right of regulation. The act of the provincial parliament allowing the province to grant the beds of all navi-

gable waters except harbors is held to be within the powers of the province.' The Globe intimates that the natural result of the decision will be a demand on the part of the provinces for an indemnity from the Dominion for the losses they have sustained through their

not receiving the revenue which all these years has gone to the federal

North Shore Services.

In the supplementary estimates submitted to parliament at Ottawa are the following sums for North Shore ser

Chatham Custom House wharf, \$1 000 Burnt Church wharf, Tracadie, additional block, Black River wharf, Cocagne wharf, 3,000 Buctouche wharf,

Ottawa Letter. OTTAWA, 28th May, 1898. Parliament will be prorogued next week, and, unless something extraordinary occurs, this will be my final letter.

of the session from a political standpoint, were the blocking of the Yukon Railway Bill by the Senate, and the investigation into the Drummond County Railway matter. It was a great shock to the public the Senate, and to realise that such power and deploring its effect upon the reputacould be exercised mischievously and in the service of a discredited party in the Commons. This view has been elaborated to such an extent in previous letters, that

in the conduct of public affairs.

So far as the Drummond County inquiry | was attending him, said it was not possiis concerned, it has been a boomerang to ble, just at that stage of the case, to say the Conservatives. It was intended to show that the Government had been improvident; it has shown that the Government made one of the best bargains ever made by any government in Canada. was intended to show up a miserably constructed and unsuitable backwoods road; it has established the fact that the Drummond County is one of the best pieces of railway in Canada. It was intended to throw reproach upon the Minister of Railways; it has relieved him from the faintest and Miss Almira Harris of Grey

During the past week considerable time o'clock on Wednesday afternoon by Rev. has been given to the amended Post Office | C. O'Dell Baylee, at the house of William Act introduced by the Postmaster General. Curtis, and a number of relatives and I just looked at him and walked in off the It would take up a good deal of space friends were present in the evening. to go fully into the various amendments These included Mr. and Mrs. Win. Curtis contemplated by this measure; but some and Mr. and Mrs. David Curtis (parents) of them will at once commend themselves of William) their guests, the bride and to popular approval as being well calculat- groom, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harris ed to improve our postal service. For (father and mother of the bride) Violet, rear by lands formerly owned and occupied by the late Caleb McCulley, being the same land devised to Andrew McIunis by his father and was sold and conveyed by the said John Brown to the said Ignations Redmond by deed dated tweaty first of Novexample, three new Dead Letter Offices Silas, Howard and Newton Curtis (sister | to-night. You've shot them two boys out are to be established throughout the and brothers of William Curtis,) Newton there." toria, which will obviate the delay now caused by sending all such matter to Ottawa. The Bill also proposes to permit longing to the neighborhood went to the postmasters to exercise a little common place during the evening and indulged in sense in the treatment of letters now sent a "shivaree." This performance consist-

now occasion a great deal of trouble, ex- dings and it is looked upon in about the pense, delay and inconvenience. There same way as a serenade is elsewhere.

mendable character. as one of the most eloquent speake s in Canada, was heard at his best on Thu sday last in his panegyric on Gladstone. It was a magnificent word-painting of the life and character of that great statesman. and was a finished and scholarly effort from start to finish. The only other speech by Hon. John Costigan, the character of which may be gathered from the following extract :- "Mr. Gladstone's efforts in the sacred cause of Home Rule for Ireland endeared him to the Itish people. His sympathy and his efforts give to the Home Rule cause the dignity and the strength and the safety of a great constitional movement, and this not only in the United Kingdom, but wherever Irishmen their des endants work for Motherland. That great measure of re form has been delayed, it is true, but only delayed, and in the struggle that Iceland will continue unto a glorious victory, no moral force will help more potenty than the memory that Ireland's causa has had the sincere approval and generous advocacy of a man so great and so good."

FATAL TERMINATION OF A SHIVAREE!

William Curtis, of Grey Rapids, Deliberate'y Fires Two Shots from an Up-Stairs Window into a Party of Men and Boys!

Garfield Astles, aged 12, Killed I

George Coughlan Dangerous ly Wounded!

JOHN SULLIVAN SHOT IN THE LEG!

James Lynch Struck on One Finger!

ties and is Placed in Jail at Newcastle.

Rumors of a murderous shooting affair which took place Wednesday evening, 25th alt., at Grey Rapids, on the S W Miramichi, in the parish of Blackville, shocked the community on Thursday morning last, and at the same time it became known that William Curtis of that place had come to Newcastle and surrendered himself to Deputy Sheriff Irving, confessing that he had killed a lad named

others more or less severly. Curtis was taken into custody and locked up in the county jail and steps were taken to have a corner's investi-

On Thursday a representative of the ADVANCE went to Grev Rapids to ascertain the facts of the sad occurrence. The settlement is about four mile: below Blackville on the right bank of the Southwest Miramichi and a mile from the line of the Canada Eastern Railway. To the ordinary observer it presents the appearance of an orderly and fairly thrifty community. It has a church of England and a public school house, and, singularly enough, the teacher of the school is the wife of the man who fired the fatal shot on Wednesday night.

The body of the lad who was killed, lay in a small, but neatly furnished room; in the house of his grandfather, Peter Astles, which is also occupied by l John P. Astles, fishery warden of the dis trict. An examination showed the 500 almost black marks where fourteen shot -said to be about B. B.-had entered the flesh of the left arm and side and were irregularly scattered from to the hip. There was a group of six There might have been others. over the left lung, which no doubt were the cause of death; and there was the mark of one shot in the right wrist which Unquestionably the two chief events arm was thrust either in front or behind his body at the moment when he was shot. The scene was a very sad one, as weeping relatives stood around and sympathising neighbors were grouped in front of the house and elsewhere in the vi inity dis-

mind to discover the power possessed by cussing the crime that had been committed tion of the community. A few hundred yards away in another house-that of William Coughlan-lay a young man in his 21st year, George it is not necessary to go over the ground Coughlan, in a very precarious condition again on this occasion. Suffice it to say, from wounds somewhat similar to those of that the action of the Senate this session | the dead boy, although he had not been may be but a foretaste of what the present | struck by so many shot. It was feared Government will have to contend against that his lungs had been perforated, and then heard the words repeated, "Garfield is Dr. William Wilson, of Millerton, who sho ...

> whether there would be a recovery or not, although he hoped for the best. Another young man, John, son of M David Sullivan, who lived a mile or two further down was at home with a shot through the fleshy part of his leg b t reen

the hip and knee. There were different versions told of the circumstances under which the shooting was done. Briefly stated, the main facts are that Mr. Howard Davilson of Gibson Rapids had been married at about two

maid, and others. Eight or ten young men and boys be. then? to the Dead Letter Office at Ottawa. If ed in the firing of guns, blowing of horns, they know the sender, they may at once ringing of cow bells and the making of apply to him to correct defective addresses | noise generally. It is the custom in many

are also other features of an equally com- There is no evidence that the house was touched in any way or any attempt made Sie Wilfrid Laurier, who is recognised to enter it. The only communication between the shivaree party and those in the house seems to have been opened by four or five girls of the house party going out, and after asking some of the young men if they were not tired, indulging in badinage with them. Amongst the shivaree party were Geo. Coughlan, Jas. Sullivan, of consequence made on the occasion was John Sullivan, Jas. Lynch, Elijah Curtis, Benjamin War en, Garfield Astles, Howard Sullivan and others. While the girls from the house and these young men were talking to each other, and without any warning, William Curtis firel two shots from a window in the pediment of the house immediately above the front door. According to some statement, Geo. Coughlan and John Sullivan were wounded by the first shot and Garfield Curtis killed by the second, although Coughlan

> ing and wounding. As far as our reporter could ascertain there had been no indulgence in intoxicants in connection with the affair.

states that the first shot did no harm

while it was the second that did the kill-

William Curtis is about 31 years old. and was married in September last to Miss Mary Alexander, a teacher, former ly of Gloucester County. Curtis' neighbors-even those who suffer by his rash act-speak well of him and say he was one of the last men in the community whom they would have expected to take the life of another. He was never known to indulge in drink-sas, in fact, a teetotaller and one of the most exemplary men of the plac. His wife and some other relatives stated on Friday that he had not intended to hurt any of the shivaree party, but merely to frighten them. Mrs. Cuitis said that her husband had extracted bullets from two cartridges which he intended to use. But these blank cartridges got mixed with some he had loaded with shot to fire at a hawk. and in the hurry or excitement of th occasion he used the shotted cartridges instead of the blanks.

In connection with this statement that of Mr. David Sullivan-a very credible witness-is important. Curtis told him about 5 p. m. Wednesday, that he would give a shivaree party "co'd lead" if they molested the house that night, and when he knew the fatal effect the shot, had had, imme listely after he fired them, he asked Sullivan, "What are the boys doing there then" and why diln't he take them home? He made no allusion to having thought the cartridges he had fired were harmless. If he had thought they were blanks, he sur ly would have so stated at such a time. We subjoin a report of the proceedings in connection with the inquest :-

The inquest on the death of the lad. Garfield Astles, (or McNeil) was held on Friday, 27th ult. by Coroner M. S. Benson of Chatham, within a mile and a half of the place where he met his death. The declaration under which the coroner

acted was made by Jas. P. A-tles. The coroner's jury was summoned by onstable David Sallivan and were as

Richard Wall, foreman. Jas. B. Underhill. Thomas Vickers, Wm. Vickers, Charles Arbo, John Gillespie.

The body was viewed by the jury, as i av in the horse of Mr. Jas. Ast'es. The taking of testimony began at one o'cleck in the public school house near where the remains lay.

At the request of corner Benson, R. A Liwlor, Eq, of Ch than, who represented the Crown, conducted the examination, the coroner recording the testimony. Mr. T. W. Butler, of Newcistle, was present in the interest of Wm. P. Curtis. While the corone,'s cou. t was open to the public, or ly the witness under examination was permitted to be present, t'.ose summoned and unexamined, being kept in waiting without the court. The testimony was as follows :--

DAVID SULLIVAN

he lived with his grandfather, Peter Astles; was, saw him on the evening of May 25th, about 9 o'clock, about 300 yards from Mr. Curtis' house; he was on the highway; he and others were walking towards Curtis' house, and I warned them to come back ; my own point about six inches below the shoulder lac, Benjamin Warren and Jas. Lynch. any of the others fired after I did.

They continue I on towards Curtis' house after I warned them. They were making no noise, but had their shivaree arms with seems to show that the poor lid's right them. Jas. Lynch and Ben. Warren had a

I went home and staid about half an hour and then r turned, meeting them about where I did before. I had heard cow-hells ratting, guns firing, horns blowing and other noises before I left the house to go back towards Curti,'. The noises I heard appeared to be at or near Curtis' house.

After I had reached the place-or near it -where I had first met them, I sat down and listened to the noise for about a quarter an hour; sometimes it would cease, partly, and then go on again. I saw a gun fired out of Wm. Curtis' house. I saw the blaze come out of the dormer (pediment) window over the front door and heard a heavy report. I then heard someone say, "he's shot."]

I started and ran towards the house and in t some of the crowd coming. Among them was John Sullivan, my son, who said nothing to me, but passed on. Someone who was with him to'd me John was shot in the leg The same person said, "two others up

I kept on and found George Coughlan lying on the side of the road by the fence. I went over and talked to him. I asked him if he was shot badly and he said "very bad;" sail he was shot in the stomach; went on and found Garfiel I Astles, deceased, lying on his side in about the centre of the highway, with his face towards the eastdown river-and his head towards Curtis James Lynch was with him Deceased lay about 50 feet from the house. road towards the house where I talked to Wm. Cartis, who stood in the open dormer (pediment) window; there was a light in the room; he had a gun in his hand and his head out of the window.

I said, "William you've done a nice thing there? Why don't you take them home,

I said "I wasn't with them." He said "Take the boys, and take them I said "I've nothing to do with them." I said "You ought to be ashamed of yourself to do such an action.'

Me said, "It's done now, and it can't be

or insufficient postage-two things which rural communities to thus celebrate wed- helped.-I told them to go away and they

By this time they had young Garfield Astles carried into the house (Wm. Curtis') went in and saw deceased lying on the floor. I went thro' the hall and met Wm. Curtis and his wife in the hall : he said he was getting ready to go and give himself up for what he had done.

She said, in his presence, "He's tired for want of sleep and rest, and they wouldn't give him any. She said he had tried to

scare them away. Half an hour after that deceased was removed to his home at James Astles'. He died there about two hours after we removed him from Curtis' house to Astles'. They tried to get him to talk, but he only romanced a little It was a nice, clear, calm night. I could

hear the sounds of talking and the noise of the Shivaree distinctly. I think the moon

Wm. Curtis is a farmer and resides in this Parish of Blackville. His house is about a mile and a half from where young Astles lived. Curtis' house is about 15 or 20 feet from the side of the road; it stands on ground four or five feet higher than the

BENJAMIN WARREN deposed as follows :- I reside in the parish of Blackville; am a laborer; was down the road near Mr. Wm. Curtis' house on evening of 25th May. I went with James Lynch and Elijah Curtis and there were others I don't know there. David Sullivan was there before I came away; also Geo. Coughlan, Howard Sullivan and Garfield Astles. I did not know deceased : could not tell from seeing the body that it was that of the boy who was with us : we got to Curtis house about 9 o'clock ; went there to have some fun; heard there was going to be wedding there.

Mr. Lawlor: What part did you take in

Fired a gun several times. I took the gun there : fired blank shots-powder only. One fellow was beating a tin pan; there was a broken bottle a horn and a cow-bell. We made all the noise we could. Knew of no one having a revolver. There was shouting and whooping by the crowd-just noise. How near were you to Curtis' house?

I went right in and walked around the house, and came out and sat down on th roadside. How long were you having this "fun" be

fore there was trouble? We were an hour or a little better at this noise, when two of the crowd were shot-George Coughlan and Garfield Astles, the deceased; also one named Sullivan.

Were you warned to leave the place any one belonging to the house I heard nothing said from the house anyone. There was a big noise and mightn't hear it if it was said. We were on the road in a crowd in front of the hour when the shooting took place. I was facing down the road when I heard report of a gun. I can't say where it came from. I heard one of the fellows say he was shot. I can't say which of them it was. I had been siting down and then I got up and went to him. He was on the road standing up It was George Coughlan. I saw blood or his hands; I saw another boy, Astles lying down on the road, about 12 feet from Coughlan. Coughlan was nearest to me When I went to Coughlan after the shot, I went down the road. I could not say whether Coughlan walked any after the shot before I got to him. I remained there a few minutes and then went home. I did not give any assistance to either of the wounded

Did you hear anything said by anyone at the house at this time ! After the the gun was fired there were some words spoken from the house, but saw Wm. Curtis that night. There were

lights in the windows, including the dormer. What liquor was there there that night? I saw no liquor in the crowd that night; all the young men and boys I saw that night were sober, so far as I could say. I am about 28 years old and unmarried. I have lived in this parish all my life. Wm. Curtis' house is in the parish of Blackville. How many shots were fired from Curtis'

I heard what I thought was two shots fired, both close together, before I heard someone say "I'm shot." I was looking down the road almost in an opposite direction from Curtis' house when I heard the shots. The shots were not fired by any person in our crowd, as we had been out of powder for 15 minutes or more. After the powder was gone we had beaten the tin pans. blown the horns rang the cow bell, shouted of Blackville, farmer, was the first witness and made all the noise we could. It was called and being sworn deposed as follows: about 8 or 10 feet from where I was sitting

When I was in off the road I fired my gun twice-once when going around Curtis' house, and once in front of it. These were two boys were with him; also George Cough- the last shots I fired. I don't know whether

deposed as follows :- I live in Blackville parish with my father, Mr. David Curtis and my brother, Wm. Curtie, and was there on 25th May. There was a wedding there, Miss Harris had been married that day to Mr. Howard Davidson, and they were at our house; a good many friends were present Was there a good deal of noise outside the house that night about 9 o'clock?

Yes-Firing guns, ringing bells, blowing horns and shouting. It was fun the boys were making outside

Did you hear anything said by the inside to the crowd outside? No sir, not that I know of.

Was there dancing going on inside? Singing No sir. Things were just going about as usual then ?

Do you know of any gun being fired from the house? Who fired It !

About what time was it-A long time

after the crowd came? Did you see Wm. Cartis fire it!? Where did he fire it from ? The upstairs window.

Wm. Curtie.

I was down stairs.

How many shots? How far were the shots apart?

How long after the shots were fired was it before you saw him? After the second shot was fired I heard them say from the road that a boy was shot. I then ran up stairs.

Did you see William Curtis there?

He was standing at the window, which was raised. He was leaning out of it. Was any other person with him There were people up stairs in the hall. but I didn't notice who they were. Was his wife there?

Where was the gun? He had laid it on the floor. What kind of gun was it? A breech loader

Did you see any shells there ?

Did you hear William say anything? He was talking to someone outside, and he said he had told them to go home, -and to pick the boy up and take him home. What did the person outside say to that? I could hear him speak, but could not tell

what he was saying. Did you hear William Curtis say anything about the shooting that night?

Do you know who fired the shots? It was William.

How do you know? Because when I went upstairs he was leaning out of the window and the gun was on one side of him, at his feet on the floor.

Was there any other man upstairs when you went up ! There was a litt'e boy, one of my brothers, but I don't know which. One of my brothers is 14 and the other 17.

Can you tell me who else was upstairs when your brother fired the gun? Mother was on the kitchen stairs. Where was William's wife when the shots

were fired? Down stairs. Didn't you hear William say he fired the

two shots? Did you hear anyone say they would fire unless the crowd left the place ? I heard William say before the shots were fired that if they didn't go away he would

fire a gun to scare them. Did you see any shells about ? I saw no shells that night. Where was the gun usually kept?

The gun was kept in the pantry down Who took it out of the pantry? I saw no one take the gun from the pantry | the house began.

that night, but saw William with it in his hands down stairs in the dining room. That was when he said if they didn't go away he'd fire the gun to frighten them. Was there any other gun in the house?

Was it used that night?

Is this breech loading gun you saw in your brother's hands a single or double barrelled one?

To juror Underhill,-I did not hear Wil liam say before he went away that night that he was sorry for what he had done. Then he went away unconcerned, as i nothing had happened?

I did not hear him say anything about i

WM. WILSON, M. D., Derby, was next sworn and deposed a follows :- On the morning of 26th inst. I was called to Blackville to attend George Coughlan. He had been wounded by shot. also examined the body of deceased who had been dead two hours at least; found marks, apparently of gunshot wounds, -one shot over the left thigh, two over the left lumber region, one two or three inches above the hip bone, six over the base of the left lung about one to three inches to the posterior of the axillary line; one one-inch interior the angle of the left scapula, or shoulder blade; four grouped between the elbow and shoulder of the left arm; one on the anterior surface of the right wrist. There was external evidence of considerable hemorrhage, and some frothy mucous from the injuries over the left lung. Death was decidedly due to the gunshot wounds. Deceased appeared to be about 12 or 13 years old, and healthy in appearance. I did not probe any of the woulds.

ELIJAH CURTIS

deposed as follows: I reside at Grey Rapids next door to where the shooting took place on 25th May; was one of the parties who went to Curtis' place that night to have some fun at the shivaree. Is it a common thing to have these shivarees at weddings here?

It has not been common, for there have been only three in four years. Was the crowd there when you got there I was at home ready to go to bed, when I heard a horn blow and went out to see where it was and heard it across the river.

There was also another party who struck up quite handy to Curtis' house on this side of the river, so I started to have some fun with the rest of the boys, and took a tin pail to help make a noise. I saw one of the party, Benj. Warren, on the road before I made any noise, who beckoned me to go up and said there was going to be a treat. When Warren and I went up we saw person who I thought was William Curtis (but heard since it wasn't) and asked him if he was going to stand a treat. He did not

answer. We stood out on the road and had made very little noise up to that time. The treat we asked for was small-only a stick of candy. He went into the house and we went on making a noise, waiting for the candy. I heard a shot fired and saw the flash of the gun inside of the fence, but didn't miss any of our party. We rattled away for a little while and then stopped and I made up my mind to go home. went about four rods and found Ben Warren sitting beside the fence. I stopped, and while we were talking, four or five girls came out of the house and they began talking-asking us if we were tired and "eassing" us, as I thought, and we com-

menced answering them back with our music-instruments, such as they were. I then saw the flash of a gun come from the house, but whether from the door or window I can't say, and heard some of the boys say they were shot. I thought no man would have anything in a gun but powder, and I kept rattling away, as I thought

he was helping us. I saw a flash of a gun again, and heard another shot from the same quarter, and Jim Lynch then said to me that Gar. Astles was shot. I went over and saw that he was shot, all right, so I turned and started house towards you home for a horse to bring him home. When I got down 20 or 30 rods from the

house I met David Sullivan and went back with him. The boy was still lying in the middle of the road. After a while David Curtis and others residents of the house took him in. After a time Jas. Astles came and took the boy away. Did you see Wm. Curtis?

When I went home for a horse to tak Geo. Coughlan home I met Wm. Curtis. He said he was going, and would send a doctor. He was alone at the time, and walking. Where was Ben, Warren when you heard the first gun ?

I don't know, but Ben. Warren came out and said he had fired his gun behind the house and that Birly (meaning Curtis) was getting his gun ready, and was calculating to do something. This was after I saw the first flash and heard the first shot inside the fence. It was after this first shot that the girls came out and talked to Warren and me beside the fence, and they stayed till the shooting took place-which was about five minutes after I heard the shot inside

What time elapsed between the first and

the fence fired.

house!

second shots from the house? It wasn't more than three minutes. paid no attention to the first shot from th house although I heard someone say some one was shot by it. Do you know whether young Astles started to run away, after the first shot from the

I didn't take notice of the clothing of the Do you know who it was that was shot by the first shot from the house?

I do not. I was about 25 feet from young

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I do not. Some merely pretended they he was dead. I can't swear who fired the were shot by it, I know. What relation are you to Wm. Curtis?

Wm. Curtis, and I suppose they know. Did you give much annoyance to the people in that house that night? We made all the noise we could, for fun only, and if they had given us the stick of candy we asked for, we'd have been away

The old people say I'm a first cousin of

15 minutes before the shooting. Our powder was all done before the shooting from MRS. JOHANNA HARRIS. wife of Thomas Harris, Blackville, who was

at the Curtis house on the night of the demonstration, deposed that it was her daughter whose marriage was being celebrated. She started to go home that evening, but was afraid to go out because the parties outside were firing guns, blowing horns, etc. and shaking the windows like

I saw Wm. Curtis upstairs with a gun. but did't see him load or fire it. What was he doing with it?

Nothing? I went from the hall into the room before the boy was shot. Where were you when the shots were I was in another room and heard shots

and they said somebody was shot. I couldn't wear whether shots were fired from the house or not. They were firing everywhere A ball of fire came from a gun at the door | lead," or some such a word as that. when I went to go out. I told Wm. Curtis they said someone was shot and he said he didn't think so.

Did you hear anything said to Curtis or by him in the house? I heard Wm. Curtis' wife say something by wounds received from the discharge of a should be done to scare the people off the shot gun in the hands of one William L. road, so that they could get to bed. I heard Wm. Curtis tell the crowd on the road that he wanted to get to bed. I heard him waru them away. He told them they'd

Have you told all you know about this

Did you hear anyone say in his presence

better go: that it was time they were in

Did you hear Curtis say he had fired from

that he did it? GEO. COUGHLAN. Mr. Lawlor here said that he would now like to adjourn to Mr. William Coughlan's, whose son George was an important witness, but so badly wounded that he could not get

George Coughlan, who lay at home in a HE HAD ENDURED YEARS OF very precarious condition from his wounds in his breast and hands, was sworn and gave his testimony with the coroner, jury and Messrs. Lawlor and Butler at his bedside. It was as follows :--Had Given Up All Hope and Expected

out of bed, -and adjournment was made

I was with some boys near Wm. Curtis' house on the night of May 25th inst. There were only two guns in the party. There was no revolver. We made considerable noise with pans, guns and horns. I was standing against the fence, when I was shot. Garfield Astles was next to me, and two Sullivans on the other side of me. It was out of the dormer window in Wm. Curtis' house that the gun was fired twice. One shot went over our heads. The other struck us. We saw burning paper go over our heads when the first shot was fired. heard no shot whizzing through the air the

I fell right where I was when struck. heard no one say "I am shot" after the first shot was fired. Astles fell right down on | WELLS & RICHARDSON Co., the road when shot. Sullivan went home. Astles and I fell towards the road.

Wm. Curtis fired the gun. I saw him at

the window and the window opened. I did not see him with the gun. Astles had on a white shirt and grey pants. at the same time when standing against the fence. We were looking towards the house. Intense sufferings from liver complaint add-I live with my father in Blackville parish

After the wounded man had given his testimony, the coroner's court reassembled at the school house.

where the shooting took place and am 21

JAMES LYNCH. deposed as follows :- J live in Blackville with my father and work on his farm : was near Wm. Curtis' houses on the night of

How many shots were fired from the

Where were you standing when the first Where did it come from?

I saw the flash of the gun from the dormer Did it strike anyone ? I don't know. I heard some of the boys say they were shot. I dropped and said I was, although I wasn't. I thought it was Don't Miss

Where were Astles, Coughlan and the two Sullivans when the first shot was fired? They were standing near the fence on the opposite side of the road from the house. I was below them and further out in the road. I was standing about 20 feet from the others. When the second shot was fired I was struck on the little finger of the right hand by a shot. I had the bottle to my mouth blowing it at the time.

What effect had the second shot? Astles came running to me, put his arms around my legs and said "I am shot dead." Then he fell, I stood him on his feet, but he couldn't stand.

What did you do with him after that? I laid him down and Coughlan called me. went and saw his hand, where it was shot, stood him against the fence, and then went back to Astles. I then told the men to stop shivareing, that the boys were shot, and I wanted some of them to help carry Astles home, but they said they couldn't carry him. Mr. David Curtis took him into the house. I went and helped Elijah Curtis to get a Astles. He had a light shirt on that night. horse and went home.

> Astles was speechless on the road after he was shot. I asked him if he was in pain and if he was badly hurt, but he never spoke. I saw him next morning at his home after

W. T. HARRIS. shots from the dormer window. How far was it from Curtis' house to

where they were shot? Not more than 30 feet. Did you hear any warning given to those

on the road to go away No. I heard the girls who were standing at the door ask us if we were tired. Was the noise going on when the shots

were fired from the window? I think we were making some noise, but can't say, as I was so shocked by the boys being shot.

Juror Gillispie: Were both men shot with

one shot? I can't say. DAVID SULLIVAN-(re-called.)

Did you have any conversation with Wm. Curtis on the 25th inst. What was it?

o'clock I said, "William, there's going to be a shivaree here to-night." He said, "they'd better not bother me here with their noise. They'll get cold lead in them if they do." There were others who heard him say this. What did you say to that?

I had been at the wedding. About 5

I said, 'you'd better be careful William. If you go to harm them on the road you'll miss it." He said "If they don't come inside of the fence to break anything, it'll be all right. If they do, they'll get the THE VERDICT. This closed the evidence, and the jury. after deliberating for about five minutes

rendered their verdict "That the said Gar-

field Astles (or McNeil) came to his death

Curtis on the night of Wednesday, 25th May. The preliminary hearing of this case is going on before police magistrate Niven, at

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ed to my load of agony; I also had dizziness,

pains in the back, and was pale, haggard

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