

though as the planks were but loosely laid, the blood ran in streams upon them through the crevices. Having waited for the evening to come on, that they might effect an escape, they attempted to get out through a small hole cut for a window. In this manner the boy first mentioned escaped, though with difficulty ; but his unfortunate comrade, who was larger, stuck fast, and probably perished soon after in the flames.

Such was the unprincipled and unprovoked massacre of these Indians—a disgraceful and horrible deed, committed by a banditti of such brutal ruffians as have been but too often found upon the frontiers. It is consoling that the entire annals of the country from its first settlement, furnish scarcely another transaction of a character to be compared with this.