THE LATEST OHIO TRAGEDY. Struck Down by a Madman's Murderer Afterward Commits

News has been received here of a terrible tragedy which occurred in Monroe county, three miles west of the village of Lewisvilla, in which five persons were killed outright, and one so badly injured that she will not recover. It exceeds in bloody horror anything of the kind that has hitherto occurred in this part of the country. A man, hitherto of good character and ordinary intelligence, in a fit of temporary insanity, killed, in a brief space of time, five persons, and then completed the terrible tragedy by putting an end to his own existence. The principal actor in the scene of blood is Frank Bedenbaugh, a man thirty years of age. The victims are his wife, Mrs. Annie Bedenbaugh (a daughter of John Jeffers, Esq., who resides near Temperanceville), her babe, aged less than two years, Mrs. Elizabeth Stephens, aged forsy-five, and her two children, a girl eleven years of age and a boy five or six years of age. All these people were killed, except the daughter of Mrs. Stephens, who is so badly injured that she may not recover. The tragedy occurred last Saturday evening about dark, it is supposed.

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a large, tall woman with fair face and hair,
which was now darkened and matted by
blood which had ecced from her brain and ran
down upon her dress. A frightful wound had
been made with the poll of an axe on the
back of the head, above and behind the ear.
The skull had been mashed in where the fatal
axe had descended with crushing force. On the
floor, not far away, were three children, his
own babe and two belonging to Mrs. Stephens,
all dead except one, which was unconscious,
and will not recover. Two of them had their
heads beaten, probably by the same weapon.
The living one had wounds about the face, but
the skull does not seem to be injured. The
young man immediately gave the alarm, and
a party of horrified neighbours soon gathered
at the scene of the butchery. A search of the
premises was soon begun, but nothing beyond
what has been described was discovered in
the house. The outbuildings were than
searched. In a tobacco house a quarter of a
mile east of the premises they found Frank
Bedenbaugh badly wounded. He had crawled into the house through a crack in the wall.
His throat had been cut from ear to ear, and
blood covered the ground for a considerable
distance. Several wounds, evidently made
with a hatchet, were on his forchead and
face. It is supposed that the crazed man
had tried to kill himself with a hatchet, and
failing in that, had used the certain and fatal
razor. Both weapons were found near him,
covered with blood. He was yet able to
speak, and in reply to a question about where
his wife was, he designated the place where
she could be found, and added that he had
killed her. No further information could be
obtained from him. He was taken to the
house, and lived until eleven o'clock Sunday
morning. The terrified neighbour swent from
the bloody scene in the tobacce house to
a pasture field where the faithful wife, int

spread hundreds of people from the sur-rounding country, hearing of the awful tragedy, came to the scene of death, and with bated breath and hearts almost stilled in the presence of the awful scene, gazed appalled

THE DEAD BODIES OF THE VICTIMS. The exact manner in which the killing was done will never be known. Whether the deed was the result of a sudden impulse, of a quarrel, or of a long settled intention, cannot be surmised. The actions of the murderer when his brother left him in the morning were not unusual, although he complained of not feeling well. There had been no bickerings or jars, and there was no ill-feeling between the murderer and the Stephens woman. The marks on the face of Betsy Stephens indicate that she had been struck with the fist, thus showing that she made a struggle for her life, and the probabilities are that she was knocked down and afterward struck with the axe.

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Frank Bedenbaugh, the murderer, is about thirty years of age. Jasper Bedenbaugh, his father, is of German birth, and has ten children. He is a well-to-do farmer, hving about four miles south of Calais, where he owns a farm of some four hundred acres. One son, John, is a saloon-keeper in Wheeling. The old man purchased the farm where Frank lived several years ago, and presented it to him. Frank was a man of immense physical strength, as were the whole family. He was not a man of bad disposition, though the family had a reputation as fighters. He was ove all

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Like most people in that neighbourhoood, he would take a drink, but he had been alightly deranged, and was taking medicine for the malady, but was not regarded at all as dangerous. He was married only two or three years ago, and was the father of one child. He was also raising the oldest child of Betsy Stephens. The family relations of the Bedenbaughs were pleasant so far as known, and there could have been no motive for the deed.

Elizabeth or Betsy Stephens was a somewhat noted character in that part of the country. She was about forty-five years of age, and was very large, weighing over two hundred pounds. She was angle, but was the mother of eight or nine illegitimate children. She was considered a rather harmless old body, handy to have round in case of sickness, and made her living by going around and doing housework. The child which Bedenbaugh had taken to raise was about ten years old and had lived with him for two or three years. It was to visit this child that Betsy and her youngest child went to Bedenbaugh's on Friday evening.

Mrs. Bedenbaugh was a daughter of John Jeffers, who lives near Temperanceville, and a niece of Pius Jeffers, of Barnesville. She was twenty-two years of age, a lady of excelent family and of amiable disposition, and her short married life had been a pleasant one so far as is known. Like her husband, she was of a Catholic ismily.

A LATER REPORT. BATESVILLE, Ohio, Nov. 8.—Frank Bedenbaugh, who committed the murders reported to you yesterday, died to-day from his wounds. The servant girl also died, and I further learn that his wife was about to be confined, making in all seven lives lost in the tracedy.

This week we have to record the death of an old settler in the person of Mr. John Mc. Kague, who came to Maryborough nearly twenty-four years ago. He had become so nearly blind and infirm during the last five years that he had not left his house during that time, bearing his infirmities with the utmost resignation. He was born in Iraland somewhere about the year 1797, consequently he was about \$3 years old. He peased away from this life on Saturday last, and was highly respected by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.—Dragon New Erg. ething its inCANADIAN ITEMS.

fraternity, and succeeded to the Grand Masternity on the retirement of Colonel Laurie in June last.—St. John Globe.

One evening lately, as Mrs. Windred, wite of patrolman Windred, Windsor, stepped out of her door at her residence, she was seized by the wrist by a man, who at the same time utered the words, "D—n you, Tli kill you "or "Mrs. Windred immediately swooned, and fell backwards into the house, when Mr. Windred, who was in another part of the house at the time, heard the children cry and ran in. Mrs. Windred was unable to explain to him the cause of the difficulty for about fifteen minutes, and by that time the would-be assassin had got too far away to be captured. It is supposed that the person who thus attempted to murder Mrs. Windred was a cigar maker from Detroit who had kept company with her previous to her marriage with Mr. Windred. It is evident the villain calculated the time, as constable Windred returns to his duty at seven colock, but that evening he was delayed a few minutes, and that accounts for his being present at the time.

BRITISH NEWS.

Mr. Spurgeon's state of health is giving his friends the most serious anxiety. His illness is not of the typical rheumatic-gout character, and it has taken a more serious turn.

Mr. E. Aslinead Bartlett, M. P., speaking at Wolverhampton, said there never was a a party were brighter than at present. Next session he should deal with Mr. Gladstone more severely than ever.

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