

THE LUCAN TRAGEDY!  
FIVE PERSONS MERCILESSLY  
SLAUGHTERED.

Arrest of Suspected Parties.

(Condensed from the Advertiser.)  
We had only time last week to make the simple announcement that the Donnelly family, residing in the township of Biddulph, was set upon in the dead of night, and murdered. The first statement has, and to say, turned out to be only too true in every particular. The most intense excitement prevailed in the township as soon as the facts of the case began to be realized. This may also be said of the city, and indeed of the whole Dominion.

Immediately upon the announcement of the affair becoming known, Chief of Police Williams, accompanied by Detectives Phair and Murphy, repaired to the scene of the murder, and went to work in earnest to collect every possible item which might in any wise give them some suspicion of who were the guilty parties. Lucan, February 4.—The wildest excitement reigns throughout the township. About midnight 20 persons went to the house of James Donnelly, sen., and knocked at the door. The inmates of the house were James Donnelly, sen., about 70 years of age; his wife Judy, aged 60; Thos. Donnelly, about 21 years of age; Bridget Donnelly, aged 25 years (niece); and James Conners aged 12 years, in the employ of Donnelly. The son John, aged 28, usually resides at home with his father, but this evening he had gone to his brother William's about three miles away on the eighth concession. As before stated, about midnight a gang of men with blackened faces, many of them dressed in woman's clothes, knocked at the door of James Donnelly's house, a 1 1/2 story log building, and demanded admittance. Thos. Donnelly, the son, went to the door and was immediately arrested by the crowd. An altercation ensued, Thomas being outside the door, when the cry of "hit him on the head with the spade" was raised, and one of the men who carried a spade appears to have struck him on the head with that instrument, and another man also used a pick. He fell down, probably dead, and was then thrown inside the door. The other inmates of the house, with the exception of James Conners, the boy, were then clubbed and beaten to death. The boy first hid underneath the bed in the clothes basket and afterwards escaped. The murderers, after pouring oil on the clothes, set fire to the building, which was consumed down to the very foundations. The charred remains, burnt to cinders, were found in the position where they fell—Thomas' remains just inside the front door, Mr. Donnelly on the floor of the kitchen, and James Donnelly and Bridget Donnelly behind the stove, where they had crouched and were killed. The spade with which the murder of Thomas was committed was found among the debris. It was covered with blood, but the handle had been burnt out, and all possible means of identification were thus destroyed. There are three farmhouses within a hundred yards of the house, but strange to say, the glare of the fire did not awaken any of the inmates of these houses. The watch dogs also gave no alarm, which leads to the belief that they were enticed away or kept quiet by the murderers. The affair is tragical, which is without rival in the annals of the country and would rival Texas borders for its atrocity, was not discovered until 9 o'clock this morning, when Patrick Whalen, who lives opposite, upon getting up saw the smoking ruins and immediately raised an alarm. At about the time of the murder of the elder Donnelly two men knocked at the door of the residence of William Donnelly, his son, about three miles away on the eighth concession, Biddulph, and called for William Donnelly. The man, his brother, who, as before stated, was that night staying here, opened the door and immediately two shots were fired, apparently one from each side of the door. He immediately fell back and exclaimed, "Bill, I am shot!" The two men then went away. William got up and took the body in, and it was found that he had been shot in the right breast and also lower down in the stomach. The wound in the breast contained seven or eight slugs, and the wound in the stomach was made by a bullet. As the men were going away they fired several revolver shots, and this scared William, who was afraid to go for assistance.

THE DEAD AND ALIVE.  
The old man, James Donnelly, aged seventy years, and his wife Judith, aged sixty, came to this country from Ireland over thirty years ago. They settled in Biddulph and at the time of the fearful tragedy occupied 75 acres. They had seven sons and two daughters. James died a year ago, a short time after leaving the Penitentiary. It is supposed his final illness was either accelerated or caused by a shot wound, which at the time was concealed by the family. Michael, another son, came to his death by stabbing, at Watford, about six weeks ago. In a log house with the old couple at the time of the massacre, was Thomas, a powerful youth of about twenty-three years, and a niece of the old people, Bridget, rather a promising and innocent young woman. The four inmates of the log house were first murdered by the gang, and then thrown on the beds and burned. John Donnelly, another son, aged thirty-one years, lives on a farm, three miles distant, with his brother William, was shot dead on the door step. The gang mistook him for William. Robert, another son, aged twenty-eight, is also alive. The accounts for all the boys, with the exception of one, Patrick, who is alive and resides at St. Catharines. The two daughters are married and live some distance from the homestead.

The assassination of John Donnelly took place at his brother William's house, on the 8th concession. The inmates of the house were William Donnelly, his wife, John Donnelly and Michael Hogan. About two o'clock a knock was heard at the door, and John, who was the first to hear it, got out of his bed and went to William's door, and asked him who was

knocking. William replied he did not know, but, thinking it might be some of the boys who were coming home late, and wanted to stay there for the night, he told John to see who it was. John went to the door, and asked "Who's there?" The answer came, "Open the door." There was nothing particularly suspicious in the tone in which those outside replied, but John asked again, "Who's there?" and a different voice replied, "Open the door, Willie?" John, probably thinking he recognized the voice, instantly opened the door and opened it. Immediately upon opening the door, a shot was heard, and later a second one. John fell down and said, "Oh, Will! Oh, Will! I am shot!" Immediately the shots were fired, the two men who fired them, and whose footprints were left in the snow in the porch, ran away and joined a crowd of about sixteen or seventeen who were waiting for them a short distance away. They then left, discharging six or eight pistol or revolver shots as they went. Michael Hogan got out of bed, and crawling low on his stomach and reaching around the corner, caught John by the hand and gently drew him in. He breathed for about four minutes, and twice prayed "Lord have mercy on my soul," and then expired. After waiting for some time in order to ascertain if there was any around, the dreadful suspense became unbearable, and William's wife got out of bed and struck a light. It was then found that the deceased man had been shot with a charge of buckshot, about a dozen entering and making a large hole in his breast, from which it is surmised that the muzzle of the gun must have been close to his breast at the time it was discharged. The second weapon was a brace-and-bit, and it imbedded itself deeply in the wall on the opposite side of the room. The inmates remained quiet watching over the dead body until after daybreak, when, as before stated, William, after carefully reconnoitering, ventured into the stable and jumping on one of the horses, and galloped to the house of James Keefe, Jr., who, however, was afraid to go to Lucan to report the case until nearly noon. Both Donnelly and Keefe being known to be on good terms with each other believed themselves in danger of their lives if they should be met by any of the assassins, and it was not until near noon, as before stated, that any attempt was made to give information to the authorities. Dr. Hosack, the coroner, immediately started for the scene and under his direction the body of Donnelly was brought to the city. He looked calm, and only for the gaping wound on his breast, and a wound on his forehead inflicted when he fell against the door jamb, he had the appearance of having died a natural death. The boy Conners will be brought to London for safe keeping, as soon as the inquest is over. In the meantime he is being carefully guarded by the friends of the Donnellys, and not the slightest fear for him is felt.

On Thursday and Friday the officers made several arrests of persons whom they suspected were concerned in the murder. The following are the names of those who have been placed in custody up to the present:—Pat. Rider, Sr., Pat. Ryder, Jr., James Ryder, Thos. Ryder, James Maher, Jas. Maher, Jr., James Carroll, Wm. Carroll, John Keenan, M. Heenan, John Partell, John Darcy, Wm. McLaughlin.

PORT LAMBTON.  
The bazaar in aid of the building fund of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, was a grand success, realizing the handsome sum of \$2820 clear of all expenses. Rev. Father Watters, under whose energetic supervision the bazaar was conducted, requests us to return his sincere thanks to all those who so kindly assisted him in getting up and carrying out the bazaar. More especially does he desire that his sincere thanks be extended to his separated brethren, whom on all occasions he has found ready to help him in all his undertakings. The ladies of Lambton deserve great praise for the zeal they have always shown in co-operating with their pastor. Prominent among the active workers may be mentioned, Mrs. McNulty, Mrs. McCarron, Mr. Hill, the Misses O'Leary, Miss Henderson, Mrs. McEvoy, and Mrs. Murphy. Thanks are also due to those friends from a distance who contributed to the success of the bazaar. The prize drawing resulted as follows:

No. 2220—1st prize: Lives of the Popes; won by W. Anderson, of Petrolia.  
No. 2700—2nd prize: Tales of the Borders; John Robinson, Toronto.  
No. 1297—Hector McPhail, London.  
No. 927—Agnes Knowles, London.  
No. 986—H. S. Parkin, Chatham.  
No. 3007—W. T. Kenney, Sarnia.  
No. 2323—Miss Murphy, Dublin.  
No. 3002—Mr. Geo. Goldie, Corunna.  
No. 928—John Burke, London.  
No. 827—Nora McHenry, Mooretown.  
No. 765—Thomas Watters, Saint Ste Marie, Mich.  
No. 2886—A. Doyle, Sombra.  
No. 2707—Ann Hagan, Corunna.  
No. 856—Kate O'Levy, Lambton.  
No. 1202—John McIntyre, Dresden.  
No. 1358—Mr. D. Gorman, London.  
No. 1342—Right Rev. Monsgr. Bruyere, London.

Prizes can be obtained by addressing the Hon. Secretary, Mr. Arthur Henderson, Port Lambton.

BUSINESS ITEMS.  
Those having a horse and desire of a good business should notice the U. S. Mop Wringing Company's advertisement in another column.

FITZPATRICK'S PREMIUM STAINED GLASS FOR CHURCHES.—Costs less than inferior Works. Received Prizes at London, England, 1871, and Centennial, Philadelphia, 1876, in every where. Address—Box 226, Stapleton, Richmond County, N. Y.

AIRD & CAMERON'S, meat market, 206 Dundas street, are offering to the public best quality of meats as follows:—Best steak, roast beef and porterhouse steak, 9c.; sirloin and round steak, 9c.; shoulder lamb, 8c.; hind quarters, 8c.; fore quarter, 7c.; lamb chops, 8c.; stewing lamb, 5c. to 6c.; shanks of beef, 10c. to 25c.; head, 11c.; sausages, 10c.; suet, 7c.; corned beef, 4c. 5c. 6c. 7c. to 8c.; pickled tongue,

25c.; pickled pork, 9c.; roast pork, 7c. to 9c.; pork chops, 9c.; boiling beef, 4c. 5c. to 6c.; poultry at lowest prices. Orders taken and delivered promptly. Don't forget the place. Next door to Harkness' drug store, Dundas street.

REMOVAL.—Wm. Smith, machinist and practical repairer of sewing machines, has removed to 253 Dundas street, near Wellington. A large assortment of needles, oils, bobbins, shuttles, and separate parts for all sewing machines made, kept constantly on hand.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—J. McKenzie has removed to A. J. Webster's old stand. This is the Sewing Machine repair part and attachment emporium of the city. Better facilities for repairing and cheaper rates than ever. Raymond's celebrated machines on sale.

J. TURNER, dealer in fruit, fish and game of all kinds in season, Dundas street, near Strong's Hotel. Goods delivered promptly at the lowest rates. Has in stock you to buy Boots and Shoes at Peck's Box. They keep a full line of ladies' and gentlemen's fine goods. No trouble to show goods. Written orders promptly attended to.

IRISH RELIEF.  
LIST OF LONDON SUBSCRIBERS.  
The following are the names of the subscribers to the Irish Relief Fund to date, and also the amounts subscribed by each person:

Table listing names and amounts of subscribers to the Irish Relief Fund, including John Walsh, Bishop of London, and others.

Total, \$76 75  
[NOTE.—The thirty-nine names which follow "W. J. Reid & Co." are those of the firm's employes, and the forty-one following Mr. John Labatt's name are the workmen employed at his establishment.]

COMMERCIAL.

London Markets.

London, February 10, 1880.  
There was a very fair market to-day, and prices were slightly higher. Fall wheat brought \$2 05 to \$2 10; oats, \$1 05 to \$1 07; barley, 85c to \$1 20.

Table of flour and grain prices, including Wheat, Winter, and various types of flour.

Table of miscellaneous goods prices, including Mutton, Lamb, Beef, and various meats.

London Stock Market.  
Reported by John Wright, Stock Broker, 10, Richmond st.

25 BEAUTIFUL MIXED CARDS FOR IO. C. AND STAMP.  
Address—Ontario Card Company, Petrolia, Ontario, Box 25.

REAL LACE  
Made, transferred, repaired and cleaned, by Miss CUNNINGHAM, 133 Mill street, London, Ont. All orders will be promptly attended to.

FRAME COTTAGE.  
TO RENT—A Good Frame Cottage, in the immediate vicinity of the Bridge. The house has been recently built in thorough repair, has two bedrooms, parlor, dining room, pantry, and kitchen, and a good brick boiler. A market gardener would find this a most suitable place. Rent moderate. Apply at this office.

TAX COLLECTORS' NOTICE.  
THE RATEPAYERS of the City of London who have not paid their Taxes for 1879 are requested to pay the same forthwith to the Collectors' Office, City Hall, otherwise they shall be collected by distress, as the law directs.

STREET WATERING, 1880.  
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, London, Feb. 20, 1880.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that residents in any street in the city (other than Dundas street, from Ridout Wellington and Richmond streets, from the Great Western Railway and Fullerton street) desiring to have such street, or portion thereof, watered during the ensuing heated season, are required to file a petition for that purpose at the office of the undersigned on or before the 15th day of March next, after which date no petition will be received.

LEATHER LINES.  
By Tom Hood's Great STITCH! STITCH! STITCH!!!  
Our labors never cease. Making harness and Saddles, and Trunks in the styles that are sure to please. While over the country and through the town For making good work we've gained renown, and our goods are marked so very low down That we beat everyone for cheapness.

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Manufacturer of and dealer in Harness, Saddles, Trunks, Valises, Etc Wholesale and Retail.  
DUNDAS ST., LONDON, ONT.

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Office and Salesroom in the Odd Fellows' Hall Building, 222 DUNDAS STREET.  
THE SINGER MAN'G COMPANY.  
J. R. HICKOK, Manager.

ALL WOOL TWEED PANTS TO ORDER.  
\$3.25 AND \$3.50.  
In addition to the above we have just received one case of Dark English Suitings. Also one case of Scotch Tweeds in new designs and colorings.

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CHAMPION PORTABLE SAW & GRIST MILLS  
ADDRESS WATERLOO ENGINE WORKS CO. BRANTFORD CANADA.

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Oakey's Knife Polish Spice & Coffee Mills Dover Egg Beaters Mrs. Potts' Cold-handle Sad Irons.

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THE STAR THE STAR GROCERY HOUSE  
T. E. O'CALLAGHAN  
Has opened out one of the CHOICEST STOCKS OF FAMILY GROCERIES!

ALEX. McDONALD  
Has received a noble lot of those SQUARE TOP HATS!  
SCOTCH KNIT CAPS.  
Also latest styles of GENTS' FURNISHINGS.

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CHRISTIE BROWN'S BISCUITS & CAKES.

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ORGANS!  
MITCHELL'S COMPOUND SYRUP

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