

wretched remnant of humanity has been arrested, and lodged in gaol."

### AN EXECUTION PREVENTED BY SUICIDE.

"Such dreadful scenes call loudly for a prohibitory liquor law," said Tom. "While you were speaking," Tom continued, "I was reminded of a scene I was eye witness to. Several years ago, I was present at a trial in the court-house of Enniskillen, when a woman named Lucy Keefe was found guilty, on circumstantial evidence, and sentenced to be hanged for the murder of her husband. Keefe and his wife resided alone in a small cabin within about four miles of Enniskillen. His business was that of a heath broom-maker, for which purpose he kept an ass to carry the heath from the mountains, and the brooms to market. During several days it was remarked by the neighbors that no smoke issued from the chimney of Keefe's cabin; that neither he nor his wife were seen about the premises, and that the ass wandered about uncared for. Whereupon an anonymous letter was sent to the authorities, by whose directions the police of Enniskillen proceeded to the premises, and found the emaciated body of Keefe stowed away under a bed, covered with turf peat, and much disfigured by rats. At the coroner's inquest it was proved that they had no family, and were much addicted to liquor drinking and quarrelling, and that the woman Keefe was in the habit of beating her husband, and had often been heard using violent threats to kill him. A description of Lucy was inserted in the *Hue and Cry*, and she was arrested in the south of Ireland. Her manner and appearance were not calculated to make a favorable impression on the minds of the jury. She was about fifty years old, of middle size, with black hair, sallow complexion, low forehead, small sunken eyes, high cheek bones, pug nose, prominent mouth and projecting teeth. She wore a thread-bare patched cloak, and a straw bonnet much the worse with wear, and stood careless and unmoved in the

do  
on  
cu  
ga  
ex  
gu  
Th  
wh  
I s  
pin  
on  
sta  
her  
fou  
incl  
had  
eter  
"  
Har  
left  
plea  
"  
"th  
are s  
Elle  
them  
the s  
Tom  
doub  
the s  
the e