Irishmen, in the group, "sure it's only the prisoner they brought in yesterday, made way wid himself; they say he was jist an out and outer; and was sure to have been hung; but he's done the business hisself and left the hangman in the lurch, bad scran to him."

Quite shocked, and not doubting who the prisoner was, Sir Herbert rode on as far as the prison, where the Irishman's statement was confirmed by the governor himself.

He said, the night before, some supper had been taken to the prisoner, which he seemed glad to get, saying he felt hungry; he had spoken cheerfully and even jokingly with the turnkey, who had inspected his cell, and locked him in for the night; but when the same turnkey opened the cell in the morning, he found the unfortunate wretch lying on his back with his throat cut from ear to ear; a small knife was