

ner, and of the whole company two only escaped. One of them, a boy, being confined in the house where most of the men were, was knocked down and scalped with the rest. But, recovering after a while, he looked around him, and at that moment he saw Abel, with the blood running down his face, trying to support himself upon his arms in order to rise; he had presence of mind enough, fortunately, to lie down again instantly, in the manner of a dead person. Within a minute or two, he saw several of the whites come in, look about among the bodies of the murdered, and finish their examination by despatching Abel with their hatchets. They now went out, and the boy availed himself of this opportunity to creep over the dead bodies, still keeping himself in a posture to deceive them, should they enter a second time. He neither heard nor saw any one, however; and it being now near dusk, he escaped from the house upon the back side, concealed himself in the woods, and afterwards made his way to Sandusky.

Another lad, who was in the house where the women were, had found means to raise a plank serving as a trap-door to the cellar which was under the floor; and there he and another boy lay concealed while the butchery was going on—