

it appears the house of Mr. James Johnston was fired at, but the occupant escaped unhurt; he was then assaulted on the Sappers' Bridge and saved himself by jumping over its westerly side near the arch. The snow was very deep, and he sank in it to such a depth as to be incapable of extricating himself. While in this dilemma, a large stone on the edge of the precipice caught the eye of his assailants, which they attempted to hurl upon him, and in this manner to put an end to his life; but it being firmly frozen to the bank they were unable to carry out their murderous intention for the moment. Foiled again in their object they resolved to surround him and complete the work; but the timely interference of friends not only thwarted them but finally succeeded in rescuing him altogether. Three of the gang were afterwards arrested and punished according to their deserts.

Mr. Johnston, it is thought, followed no particular calling, and consequently having much spare time at his disposal, philanthropically employed it in endeavoring to pacify the conflicting parties; but in so doing unfortunately made himself obnoxious—probably because he was too officious. He was, however, subsequently rewarded by being elected a member of the Provincial Parliament.

At Hogsback a family were driven out of their