

tions, which present appearances so fully justly.—*Newfoundlander* Feb. 13.

(From the *Public Ledger*, Feb. 21.)

Perhaps it is due to our readers that we should give them to-day some explanation of certain circumstances to which we very obscurely adverted in our last, and which we ascribed to the machinations of some of the restless portion of this community. We must, however, confine ourselves to a mere outline; since any premature disclosure of certain details may serve to defeat the ends of justice.

On the night of Thursday, the 13th instant, the overseer in the *Public Ledger* Office, on returning, about 11 o'clock, from a distant part of the town, and whilst near the head of *Queen Street* (within fifty yards of the establishment) was accosted by a man who, familiarly calling him by name, stated that one of the young men of the office was near the Orphan Asylum School, very tipsy, and requested that he would go up and get him home, lest some "hurt" might happen to him.

After a few moments' hesitation, our overseer turned towards the Orphan Asylum School, the man who had accosted him turning with him, when they were almost immediately joined by another man, the companion of the former.—Having gone up the Theatre hill, and passed the narrow lane at the back of the house now occupied by Mr. THOMAS WILLIAMS, and having arrived at the cross road (a secluded spot) near the Roman Catholic burying-ground he was suddenly seized by the two elbows by one of the men, whilst the other instantly passed a rope round his arms and thus securely pinioned him. They then took his own handkerchief from his pocket and tightly blindfolded him and with threats compelled him to walk on. The young man states, that as nearly as he can judge he was kept walking for about a quarter of an hour, the latter part of the way through deep snow—that he ascended some steps, and was conducted into a room where the bandage having been removed, he discovered persons masked and disguised in black, who put various questions to him, all which were written down, together with the answers. That at the expiration of what he supposes must have been two hours, his eyes were again bandaged, and he was conducted out of the house, down the steps, and after a quarter of an hour's walk, abandoned (the cord which confined his arms being first cut) in the lane between constable M'LELLAN'S and Mr. DANIEL HENESEY'S—near the spot at which he was first accosted.

This is what we proposed to give—a mere outline of this villainous piece of business,—but when there shall no longer exist any motive for concealing the details, all of which have been solemnly sworn to, we shall most certainly lay them before the public, at present, as we have said before, the publication of them may probably defeat the ends of justice.

But the House of Assembly has taken up this matter, and, ignorant of any of the details or merits of it, has pursued just such a course as might be expected from such a body. Instead of expressing any horror at so infamous a transaction, and forthwith proceeding to vote

a sum of money for the discovery of the offenders; the House, or rather certain members of it, affect to disbelieve the affair, and pour upon the young man their most odious abuse. They charge him with being under the influence of *delirium tremens*—that it was a drunken frolic—that thus he ended his drunken revellings, with a view to appease his employer, &c. &c.

It is sufficiently manifest that some of the members of the House of Assembly know more about this matter than it would be safe to let out, or we should not have all this splutter—and besides a very different tone would have been adopted were it otherwise.

It affords us much pleasure and satisfaction to be enabled to rescue the character of the young man who has been the victim of so much atrocity, from the foul and slanderous abuse of the members of the House of Assembly. He has been in our establishment about six years, and we can most truly testify to the steadiness and sobriety of his habits, and to the general correctness of his whole demeanour.

Of course this business does not end here.

A curious letter appeared in the *Newfoundlander* of Thursday from Mr. JOHN KENT, one of the respectable members of our respectable House of Assembly, in which he professes to vindicate himself from the attacks of one ROBERT JOHN PARSONS, the Printer of the said notable House; and then assails the said PARSONS in return. They are certainly a very interesting couple to come before the public; and if both of them were flogged through the town at the cart's tail they would be more interesting still.—*Ibid.*

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