THE EVENING NEWS.

Wednesday, - - March 6, 1872.

A FRIGHTFUL DEATH.

A LION-TAMER TORN TO PIECES BY FIVE LIONS.

(CONCLUDED.)

THE DEADLY STRUGGLE

progressed, and Mr. Birchall, who had from the first been most active, placed iron scrapers in the fire to heat them. Pistols and guns were discharged, but they, unfortunately, were only loaded with blank cartridge, and the blazing of gunpowder failed to drive the animals from their quarry. Meanwhile the irons were heated, an iron shutter to seperate the animals in the cage when an opportunity offered was in readiness, and Mr. Birchall and an assistant succeeded in beating off the animals, the fifth, having in the meantime scented and tasted the blood which streamed out of the carriage, added his fangs to those which had already played such havoc with the human form prostrate before them. The sliding-door was pushed in; three of the animals, being driven away with hot irons, were separated, and then the lion that had seized Maccarte by the shoulder was driven in a corner. The shutter was partially opened to drive him among the others, when a fourth infuriated beast seized him just above the boot and dragged him in again among them. Then

THE FRIGHTFUL WORK

went on again for a few sickening and horrifying moments. Hot irons were now available, and the brutes being driven off, the poor and almost pulseless piece of humanity was drawn out from the place it was fated he never more should enter. He sustained sufficient sensibility to speak to his warm-hearted colleagues a few faint words, praying them not to take him away to receive medical aid, as he knew that he was a dead man. His anxious friends carried him tenderly to the infirmary, where after a few moments he breathed his last, after muttering a few incoherent sentences. As the shattered frame was borne past Mrs. Manders, he faintly waved his hand and gave her an expressive look, which conveyed the words that he was past all hope of aid. Many of the shots fired entered the bodies of the animals, and they received great injuries, before they were driven off their prey. The lion Tyrant is three and a half years old, and had been brought up from a whelp by Mrs. Manders. The animal having been a favorite, it was during the early part of its training allowed to run about that portion of the caravan used as a habitation, and it freely gambolled with its mistress. The sire of this animal was the one that nearly killed Maccomo some time ago. The only arm the deceased had was streaked with deep gashes from the shoulder to the hand; the scalp was torn right back, and from the hips to the knees, where he was seized from behind, the muscles are completely torn out. There are pieces of flesh gone from the ribs, and the bones of the pelvis, which are the strongest in the human frame, have had pieces bitten clean out. At the inquest on Thursday Mrs. Maccarte said she had not seen her husband since 2 o'clock on Wednesday. He was not under the influence of liquor when he left her. He was always afraid of the lion which first attacked him, and he had expressed a fear of it on Monday. His salary, with perquisities, was about £4 per week. The Rev. Enoch Franles said he saw the deceased go into the den. His opinion was that the deceased had taken sufficient drink to make him foolhardy, but he did not think any one could call him drunk. The Coroner said there was not in his opinion anything in the evidence respecting the drunkenness of the man that affected the case. It appeared that when he was down he defended himself in a manner that showed he realized his position. The performance being an extra one, the heated irons were not ready, and here he did not think there was blame to be attached to anybody. In the course of his employment Maccarte met his death, and, however they might reprobate his calling, they must think also that it was an institution of the town, and which, as the law stood, could not be stopped. Until the people of Bolton became more civilized and discountenanced these sights, so long would managers fill their places of amusement by such spectacles. The jury returned a verdict of death by misadventure, and added: "The jury feel it to be their bounden duty to express their entire disapprobation of the reckless custom of so-called lion-tamers performing in dens where ferocious animals are caged."—*Bolton (England) News.*

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