

A farmer named Miller, who lives alone on his place near Finley, drove up to his barn about 1 o'clock last Monday with a load of straw, and began unloading. While engaged at this work he noticed a man coming up toward the house, and thinking it to be one of the neighbors took no notice of it. Having finished unloading he went up to the house, and on entering was surprised to find a stranger there, who was in the act of going through the house. Miller immediately ordered the fellow out and was informed by the stranger that he would go when he got ready; as Miller turned to open the door with a view of putting the fellow out, the miscreant dealt him a blow on the head which felled him to the floor, and then kicked and pounded him into unconsciousness. He then made good his escape. Miller returned to life in about an hour, and and hailed one of Tillotson's rigs going by and asked for a Dr. and other assistance to be sent out, and at last accounts was recovering from his painful condition.