

THE KNIFE.—It is our painful duty to have to record another atrocity at Robert Town, in the parish of Mirfield, which it is supposed has been committed by three Irishmen, who are in custody, labourers on the West Riding Union Railway. It appears that, on Saturday night week, the injured man, of the name of John Healey, who is also a labourer on the same line, was at the Yew Tree, receiving his wages, and late in the evening returned to his cottage. As he had not provided any meat for his dinner on the Sunday, he went out for the purpose of purchasing some, when he was accosted by three individuals, who asked him to fight, which he declined. He was surrounded and cut and slashed in a most brutal manner. Upon information being communicated to Mr. Leadbeater, the constable, he immediately obtained medical assistance, and then went in pursuit of the miscreants, and shortly succeeded in apprehending two men and a lad about 16 years of age, whom he conveyed to Dewsbury and placed in the care of Mr. Green. The prisoners were brought before Joshua Ingham, and E. B. Wheatley, Esqs., on Monday week. They gave their names James Burns, Michael M'Nicholas, and Laurence M'Nicholas. They were remanded for a fortnight to give time for the recovery of the injured man, which is extremely doubtful.