

MAN'S BODY IN THE WELL.

Gruesome Find on the Farm of Mr. Long in Otonabee.

It was a gruesome discovery which Alexander and Bertram Long, of Otonabee, made about noon on Monday. Going to a pump on a farm on lot 21, concession 18, Otonabee, rented by their father, Mr. Charles Long, and finding it unworkable, they lifted a board and saw at the bottom the body of a man. The well is about 16 feet deep, and contains a quantity of water. The boys had been ploughing in the field, and at noon went to the pump to water their horses. The farm is situated about four miles from Peterboro, and the dwelling house thereon has been unoccupied for over a year. In the stable a few weeks ago was found a man's coat and vest, evidently belonging to some tramp who had slept there. The supposition is that the owner of the garments is the man found in the well. The fact that the mouth of the well is covered with boards would go to discourage any probability of accident, and suicide or foul play is suspected. As soon as he was made aware of the discovery Mr. Long immediately went to Peterboro and notified the Coroner and High Constable Cochrane, who, with an undertaker, left for the farm. The identity of the man is a mystery to the neighborhood.—Norwood Register.

Alexander & Bertram Long
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