

Extracts from the *Courier*

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ACCIDENTS

On Tuesday evening last, a man named Stapleton, whilst riding to his farm some ten miles distant from the city, met with an accident of a somewhat peculiar nature. It seems that just about dark he was riding at a rather brisk pace between the Milton Bridge and the residence of Mr. R. Cribb, M.L.A., when suddenly his horse stumbled over a cow or bullock lying in the roadway. The collision of course overturned both the rider and the horse, and upon examination it was found that one of the horns of the cow or bullock had penetrated the chest of the horse to the extent of 14 inches. The rider luckily escaped with only a few bruises about the face, arms, and shoulders, and he immediately sent for Mr. Twyman, the veterinary surgeon, who promptly attended and dressed the wound. This gentleman found that the horn had not penetrated any vital part, and that the usual mode of treatment would lead to a speedy recovery.