Knightsville Clay County Enterprise

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A Brutal Farmer Who Made His Dog Kill a Little Baby

[From the Pittsburg Dispatch]

A report reached this city, last evening, that on Monday a farmer residing near New castle discovered a number of boys from the little town of Croton, a suburb of the former place, helping themselves to apples in his orchard. He immediately went to his house and unloosed a large bull-dog that was chained there, and returning to the orchard, set the brute after the boys, urging him on with shouts and hisses. The savage animal caught one of the youths by the throat, and, in a moment, tore out the boy's wind-pipe and severed his jugular vein, causing death in a very few minutes. It is reported that the brutal affair has caused a good deal of excitement in the vicinity, and that there was talk of lynching the barbarous farmer last evening, but better counsels prevailed.

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