

A Texas Tragedy.
MAN OF EIGHTY HANGED FOR MURDER—HIS SON'S HEAD SHOT OFF.

Mr. Lambdin, who is just in from Granville as the particulars of the hanging of a man Mitchell, and the killing of Mr. Mitchell, while attempting to convey him to his father.

Although every effort was made to secure the condemned at the sentence, the Duke of Argyll was in retreat, and on Friday the officers proceeded to put the sentence into execution. Mitchell was a man of eighty years of age, made several attempts to commit suicide, on Wednesday night, by hanging himself with a chain that he had made from the door but was unable to bind him. He spent the night in cursing the Sheriff and Sheriff's men on Thursday night.

He died in his cell to the self destruction. On Friday night he was buried about the jail house, and a dead man crowning toward the jail, and not knowing how many others there were in the jail. The Duke of Argyll, the lifeless body of Mr. Mitchell, youngest son of the deceased man, aged about 21, was found on the ground, the whole top of his head blown off. He was armed with a double barrelled shotgun and had a brief, and never heard his gun, and all heavily loaded in his pocket was found a small bag of sandstone, wrapped in such manner which was evidently conveying to his father. The old man asked that the body be brought into the jail, that he might see his son, and was much affected. News by his horse was hatched, he said, and showed me to the attorney by nearly the thousand people. A little after one o'clock the wagon containing the doomed man, seated on his coffin, proceeded to the gallows. The rope was tied with the hangman's knot, and the aged murderer arose to address the crowd. His address was directed to the young men of the occasion, to impress them with innocence in the streets of home.

He denounced the Duke of Argyll, and they had swindled him out of \$40,000, and had caused all the trouble. The number of his sons he despaired in the most bitter terms.

During his speech a quarrel in the crowd near caused the greatest excitement, but quickly quieted. The old man spoke for nearly a half hour, said he was ready to die, and then ordered the hand to proceed with the execution. He was placed on the last, and died with the least exhibition of pain. The Mitchell Tragedy has created the utmost excitement in Ottawa County. The results may be summarized as follows:

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