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DREADFUL ACCIDENT.—On Tuesday night last, as a servant of Mr. Joseph Solomon's, who lives a few miles on the other side of the Saltwater River, was driving home his master's team of bullocks, he was suddenly jerked from the pole on which he was sitting, in consequence of the cart coming in contact with a stump, and thrown under one of the wheels, which went over him, awfully mangling one of his legs as far up as the knee joint, besides inflicting other serious injuries. He was brought into the hospital here that night, where amputation of the thigh was performed the following morning by the colonial surgeon, Doctor Cussen, assisted by Surgeon Sanford of the town. We are, however, happy to learn, that the unfortunate sufferer is doing as well as can be expected under such distressing circumstances, and that there is every hope of his ultimate recovery. We cannot too strongly impress the impropriety and risks of drivers of carts, &c., sitting on the pole, a practice but too common, and which has very frequently led to the most disastrous consequences.—*Ibid.*