
RIOT AT LOWELL.

- From the *Maine Democrat*.

A serious disturbance occurred at Lowell (Mass.) between a portion of the Irish population and about 200 Yankees on Tuesday evening of last week. It is said that the causes of difference were very trifling, but were finally magnified in the imagination of the rioters to such a degree as to become past endurance. It is stated in the *Newburyport Advertiser* that the Irishmen have been in the habit of obtaining chips and shavings from the different carpenters' shops, by the leave of their occupants—that they became saucy and committed some depredations—that the Carpenters and Machinists finally got enraged, and that one of them on Tuesday inflicted personal chastisement upon an Irishman for his impudence. This excited a large body of Irishmen, [about sixty,] who determined to have revenge. A general gathering took place in the evening, and about 300 persons assembled, who it is said, according to all outward appearances, were "full o' fight," when a general battle ensued. Brickbats and stones were the principal "implements of war" used on the occasion, and these were made to circulate right merrily. Attacks upon the Irish camps continued to be made until after midnight, when the combatants retired. On Wednesday, the Americans assembled for the purpose of destroying the Irish huts, drove the Irishmen in, and somewhat injured them—but as the evening was clear, and the Selectmen interfering, no particular damage was done by either party. It is said that the American workmen were determined to destroy the Irish huts, and formed an association for that purpose on Wednesday. The Irishmen gave out word that they should defend them, and attempted to procure powder for that purpose, but were unable, owing to circumstances. The *Advertiser* says, only one life was lost in the affray—an Irish child killed by a stone thrown through the window upon the cradle. One man had his cheek very much injured by a bludgeon, and one man was shot through the arm, on Tuesday.

On Friday, three persons named Brown, Willey and Smallcorn, were arrested, on a charge of having been concerned in the riot, were examined before Mr. Robinson, and ordered to recognize for their appearance to Court, in the sum of \$200—not being able to obtain sureties, they were committed to Jail.

The *Lowell Mercury* of Saturday last does not give any particulars respecting the riot. It contains two communications, one from "A Yankee" and the other from "A Spectator," in which some remarks are made upon the affair. The "Yankee" appears to blame the Irishmen, and the "Spectator" gives a rather ludicrous account of the conduct of the Yankees. He says that the Irish and Yankees were about equally to blame in the onset, but that the Yankees rendered themselves obnoxious to censure by indiscriminately attacking the innocent and the guilty.