WARLEY.

At the Wakefield sessions, on Tuesday, James Lumb, of Warley, was tried on the charge of unlawfully wounding, and was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment.

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DESTRUCTION OF A HAY MOW BY FIRE.—On Thursday a ternoon, it was discovered that a large hay-mow, in a barn near to Ovenden Cross, the property of Mr. J. Tatham, farmer and shopkeeper, was in a state of combustion. Steps were at once taken to have it cut-up and removed, but the fire gained so fast that the corporation fire brigade was sent for; and it was only through their efforts that the barn and premises were preserved. The hay, valued at about £90, being entirely destroyed. The cause of the fire was spontaneous overheating.

ACCIDENT.—On Sunday, a youth named James Smith, aged about 16 years, and son of Mr. John Smith, weaver, of Moorside, Ovenden, was larking with some other youths at Gee Eige, when he was accidentally thrown

down, and one of his legs was fractured.

CHURCH INSTITUTE, ILLINGWORTH.—During the week, a very handsome eight-days' clock has been presented to this institute by Mr. Paul Greenwood, of Halifax.

DEATH BY DROWNING. -On Wednesday an inquest was held by Mr. Dyson, at the Ovenden Cross Inn, on Richard Halliday, shoemaker, who was found drowned on the previous Monday, in Spindle Mill dam, Old-lane, It appeared that deceased had for some time been drinking, but on the previous week had not drunk much, and at times would read a great deal. Lately he had been low and melancholy. On Sunday night, at half-past nine, his wife left home to sleep at the house of her daughter, who was ill, deceased having had his supper, and was pretty well at At seven the following morning she found the door locked, with the key in the lock. On entering she found he was not in, but he had been in bed, which she found had been made straight. He was subject to fits, when he would fall down, but he was cheerful on Sunday. Deceased was found in the dam by Joseph Kitchingman, at a quarter to six on Monday morning, as he was passing the dam on his way to work, and with assistance got him out. His dress was tidy, and there was a little scratch on his face. Verdict, found drowned.

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