## REPORT FROM WEST YORK MARSHALL MESSENGER 24-FEB-1876 Transcribed By: Ron Cornwell

**JOHN BAILIFF**, the son of **R.B. BAILIFF**, living in our vicinity, met with a serious accident, a few days since. He was fooling with a small, single shot pistol, holding the muzzle in his hand when it discharged, the ball passing through his finger and finding lodgment in his thigh. Johnnie take heed and don't fool with such small things.