

# ROWAN'S RUMPUS.

## A Great Deal of Shooting Reported, but No Fatality.

The Governor Having the Matter Investigated, With a View of Sending Troops if Necessary.

[Special to the Courier-Journal.]

MOREHEAD, KY., April 2.—Great excitement still prevails in Rowan county. Last night about fifty shots were fired at the Gault House, where the Martin faction are concealed, and the door was completely riddled with bullets. At 8 this morning three of the Toliver faction went up near the Gault House and seven or eight shots were fired. The force on both sides has been increased to twelve men each. Four of the Toliver faction went up to the Gault House, entered the house, but no one was to be seen at the time. They shot two dogs and came away rejoicing. The Toliver faction have possession of the town. No troops yet; they are anxiously awaited for. Real estate is cheap.

### ANOTHER REPORT.

[Special to the Courier-Journal.]

MT. STERLING, KY., April 2.—Rowan's riot still rages and the fight waxes hotter. After an armistice of a few hours last evening hostilities were again renewed between the opposing factions. The Martin party, stationed at the Cottage Hotel, and Toliver's followers, at Anderson's store, opened fire upon each other some time in the night and kept up a rattling fusillade till about 10 o'clock this morning. It is not known certainly whether any one was killed, as both parties kept within the walls of their respective barricades, but it is thought one man was wounded, and another some 300 yards from the battle-field and a non-participant was shot through the clothing. Several parties came to this place this morning on the noon train. More fighting is expected to-night. Both parties are armed with shot-guns, Winchester rifles and pistols. The end is not yet.

### TROOPS CALLED TO ARMS.

State Militia Held in Readiness to March on Rowan County.

[Special to the Courier-Journal.]

FRANKFORT, April 2.—Telegrams and letters have reached Gov. Knott to-day respecting the turbulent condition of Rowan county, but they seem to be conflicting and unreliable in many particulars. The trouble has arisen over factions and family feuds, and in order to ascertain accurately the extent to which they interfere with the process of the law, the Governor has ordered the Secretary of State and Adj. Gen. Castleman to go to Morehead to-night and make an investigation. If the report is such as to warrant it, State troops will immediately be sent to the county to aid the civil authorities in the restoration of order. The chief difficulty seems to be to learn to what civil officers of Rowan county a military officer may report, for a number of them appear to be equally engaged in the faction quarrel. The County Attorney of Rowan, and perhaps other county officers, are expected to arrive in the city in the C. and O. train, which is six hours behind time to-night, and hold a consultation with the Governor. Pending the investigation a detail of eighty rank, file and officers have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to march to the field of action at a moment's notice. Maj. L. W. McKee will command the detail, which will be made up from Company D, Second regiment, at Lexington; Company H, same regiment, at Winchester; Company F, same regiment, at Mt. Sterling, and Company E, First regiment, at Richmond, commanded by Capts. Veach and Strother, Sergt. Barnes and Capt. Speed Smith respectively.

The Secretary and Adjutant left on the train which passes this city at 10:20.

### LEXINGTON TROOPS READY.

[Special to the Courier-Journal.]

LEXINGTON, KY., April 2.—The Governor has ordered 20 men from each of the six different companies of the State Guard to be ready to-morrow for active service in Rowan county. The company here wants to go complete, though some remarked when the orders came that the State had better pay them what is due before calling on them. Col. Castleman will arrive by a late train to-night.