

FLED FROM KENTUCKY.

EX-SHERIFF RAMEY AND SON HIDING IN WISCONSIN.

Story of the Recent Fight with the Tollivers in Morehead, Ky.—Brutal Killing of Bud Tolliver—A Clever Capture Made by Pinkerton Detectives—Shameful Treatment of an Old Woman.

LANCASTER, Wis., July 16.—William Ramey, ex-sheriff of Rowan county, Kentucky, and his son Henry, who fled from Morehead after the recent fight with the Tollivers, and who have been reported to be in hiding near here, were found Thursday night in an old house on the bluffs, fourteen miles north of this city. William Ramey is a splendid specimen of the Kentuckian—tall, well built, straight as an arrow, with a head covered with hair that is almost white. In speaking of the Rowan county troubles he said:

"I was in the fight at Morehead. I was in the hotel kept by Craig Tolliver, when Lawyer Logan came and called me and said: 'Come on, Ramey.' I asked him what the matter was and he said: 'H—— will be popping here in a few minutes.' We walked toward the brush, Logan going ahead and I following. As we approached the brush a large number of men, bareheaded, jumped up with their rifles at their shoulders, ready to shoot. I told them not to shoot anybody; that the Tolliver boys would give up if they would protect them from the mob.

"One of the Tolliver boys," continued Mr. Ramey, "fired at a man who ran across an open space in the brush while I was talking, and then the firing commenced. Four men were killed—three of them Tollivers. I helped prepare the Tollivers for burial after the fight. Bud Tolliver was wounded in the fight, but was not killed, and he crawled into the bush, where he was found by the attacking party after the row was over. They dragged him out and his wife stood by and begged them not to kill him, but they placed a gun against his head and while his wife stood with her hands covering her eyes they pressed the trigger of the gun that sent Bud into eternity. I stood by and saw them do it.

"It is not a political fight. It is ambition to be ahead. I have got a ball here in my leg, and son Henry there has some buckshot in his shoulder. I am not on either side. I won't talk any more. I have two sons in Rowan county, and anything I would say might bring them into trouble."