

Circuit Court Convened, and in its Movements and Make-up Gives No Especial Promise of Permanent Peace.

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MOREHEAD, KY., Aug. 4.—Gov. Knott and Attorney General Hardin arrived here last night for the term of Circuit Court which convened this morning. The bar elected Geo. T. Holburt of Vanceburg, Special Judge. A grand jury was formed, and upon it are two of the prisoners lately discharged by the examining Magistrates' Court; also several of their party friends and their relatives, enough to insure no bills against the Toliver party. After the grand jury had been formed, the Judge addressed them, insisting strongly on the necessity of a thorough discharge of their duties, promising the aid of the Court, Commonwealth's Attorney and the power of the State in arresting persons indicted and wanted as witnesses. This means that the soldiers will have to remain here.

The Judge to-day appointed as Commonwealth's Attorney Geo. E. Rowe, of Greenup, to act, and business was proceeded with. Several cases were disposed of. Three prisoners were indicted for carrying concealed weapons, and were arrested. Two of them, James and Wm. Fugett, resisted arrest by the Sheriff, who called Maj. McKee to his aid. Singly the Major responded, and drawing his pistol, told the Fugetta to go on. One of them, James Fugett, wanted to wait, but the Major was not waiting just then, and the party started on toward the Court-house. On the way Maj. McKee was joined by two of his men, and thus they were marched into court.

This afternoon an order was issued to bring from Lexington to-morrow O'Banyon Logan and his associates, regulators, who murdered Gibson Hughes, near Pine Grove, last November. William Garner, the leader of the gang, was sent to the penitentiary.

Criticism is leveled at the appointment of the Prosecuting Attorney and the election of a Judge. As the State had undertaken to settle the difficulties here, courtesy would have left the selection of the Judge to the Governor and the prosecution to the Attorney General, and if this course had been taken it would have left no chance for either party or faction to complain; but as it is now the action of to-day is only another evidence that certain parties here are doing all in their power to prevent the authorities of the State a free course in prosecuting and exposing the causes and applying a remedy severe enough to put a stop to the troubles in Rowan.