

# BLOOD FLOWS IN ROWAN

## Witnesses Going to Court Fired On By a Band of Masked Men.

### Elliott Martin Killed and John Taylor and John Vance Badly Wounded.

### Intensely Dramatic Scene Between Boone Logan and Taylor Young In the Court-House.

### The Militia Ordered to Load Their Guns and Prepare For an Expect- ed Battle.

### EXCITEMENT AT FEVER HEAT.

MOREHEAD, KY., Aug. 4.—[Special.]—Blood has begun to flow once more in Rowan, and a feverish, intense excitement prevails, which is almost certain to end in a conflict.

An intensely dramatic scene occurred in the court-house this morning. There was a

#### WAR OF WORDS

between D. Boone Logan and E. Taylor Young, Sr., in the examination as to the competency of grand jurymen. Boone Logan was assailed by E. T. Young. Logan took up the question wholly, and in answer to Young's remarks that his (Boone Logan's) character needed investigation replied: "And as for you, sir, I have undoubted proofs of your actions for the past ten years that will hang you." Pistols were drawn among friends of both sides, and many an ominous click was heard resounding through the court-house. But as they clicked, the portentous ring of the three-ticked rifles of the soldiers on guard were heard to re-echo along the wooden walls of the building.

#### AN ORDER TO LOAD

was heard from the outside, and the ring of muskets told the excited crowd that the first move on the part of either party would be followed by a dead fire from the troops.

Boone Logan, calm, cool, and collected, never flinched, but reiterated his statements. Excitement was high, every one starting to leave the court-house, but were halted by the guard of troops at the door. For a moment

#### MANY CHEEKS PALED

and many steady nerves trembled, but the presence of mind and cool determination of the State troops quieted the fears and allayed the dread of shooting and murder. Threats were uttered on the outside that Boone Logan would be killed before the day was over, to which he paid no attention.

All the morning every one was on a strain, and momentarily an outbreak was expected, troops or no troops. All, however, passed quietly. A few misdemeanor cases were tried, and John Arnold was also tried for the murder of Stuart Caudill, at Hoggstown, in this county, some two years ago. He was acquitted.

#### THE FIRST BLOOD SHED.

A horrible affray is reported to have taken place this morning at 7 o'clock at a place called Dry Creek, nine miles from this place. John Taylor, Tim Keeton, John Vance and Elliott Martin were on their way to court here as witnesses at this term. They were met by a gang of masked men, who were armed. They were halted and their business inquired into. They refused to tell, when the masked men opened fire on them, and after seriously wounding John Taylor and John Vance and killing Elliott Martin, they rode off. No reasons are assigned for the killing and outrageous attack save that these men's evidence would have damaged somebody connected with the late murder of the young Logan boys.

Howard Logan, who used to live here, returned to-day, to be present during court. Judge Cary, Matt Cary, Clay Powers and G. W. Gilkerson, who were all warned away by Craig Tolliver, have also returned.

#### TROUBLE AND BLOODSHED

are as absolutely certain as the sun rises. Feeling to-night is at blood-heat. The soldiers have been ordered to sleep in their clothes to-night, and look carefully for armed bands. Orders have been issued to disarm every one who enters the court-house. To-day Sheriff Hogg went clear back on Boone Logan, and denied all his former statements in his testimony before the grand jury. Logan cornered Hogg in numerous places. To-morrow will bring some good developments.

#### THE GRAND JURY.

The following have been selected as grand jurymen: Mason White, foreman; Benjamin Culver, Wm. Kegley, J. W. Johnson, Jas. Thompson, John Belfrey, J. W. Ambirgy, John Hall, A. J. McKenzie, Jr., Arcuis White, Eph. Haines, Nathan Riddle, Fleming Jones, R. W. Gordon, J. W. Colaroz and Foster Swim.