

A Train Stopped and a Murderer Riddled with Bullets.

FARMER'S STATION, Ky., Dec. 11.—As the train bearing Martin, the murderer of Collier at Morehead, last summer, halted here this morning on its way to Morehead, where Martin was being conveyed for trial, the train was attacked by a mob, who placed pistols to the heads of the engineer, fireman and conductor, and kept them from action, while a number of the mob entered the car in which Martin was seated and riddled his body with bullets, killing him instantly. Having concluded its work the mob retired quietly. The rumor is current that Martin's friends will seek to revenge his death.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 11.—A special to the Evening Post from Winchester, Kentucky, says: John Martin, of Rowan, who killed Floyd Toliver in a row on election day, was lynched by a mob early this morning at Farmer Station on the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad. Martin had been sent to Winchester jail for safe keeping, and last night was taken back to Rowan County for an examining trial. Shortly after midnight, when the train reached Farmer's Station, a mob of 100 men took Martin from the cars at the pistol point and riddled him with bullets. Martin's wife was with him at the time. The train men were overawed by the mob.

It is believed the order of the court to bring Martin to trial was a forged order to give the mob a chance to get him. Martin has numerous friends who are swearing vengeance and further trouble is expected.

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