

A FAMILY FEUD.

The Last Episode in the Hereditary Warfare of Two Kentucky Families.

Nearly All of the Underwoods Placed Under Ground by Holbrook Bullets.

Their House Surrounded, and the Authorities Indifferent as to Their Fate.

Another Day's Testimony in the Young Murder Trial at Kahoka.

THE KENTUCKY VENDETTA.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 13.—News has reached here that the notorious Jesse Underwood was shot in the door of his father's house, known as Fort Underwood, in Carter County, Ky., Friday, and died from his wound yesterday morning. The Holbrook party, the hereditary antagonists of the Underwoods, surround the fort and threaten to kill anybody who shall dare to bury Jesse's body or rescue the old man George, who is inside with the women and children, badly wounded. George to-day succeeding in getting word to the County Judge, praying for help and protection, and the Sheriff and a posse have started for the seat of war. The following dispatch was sent to-day to Gov. Blackburn, at the Capital, who has as yet made no reply:

The Underwood war has broken out afresh. One of the Underwoods was killed at his home Friday, and the old man is surrounded and wounded. No one will bury the dead man. Old man Underwood's life is threatened. The civil officers are powerless. No one will obey them. Can't the military company here be ordered out at once to protect the citizens and preserve order?

J. N. STEWART, Captain,
Commanding Carter County Guards.

The dispatch is also signed by the Judge and the Sheriff. The killing of Jesse Underwood nearly completes the extermination of this once powerful family. Four of them have been killed in the past three months. Jesse was the last dependence of his tribe. The feud between them and the Holbrooks began during the War, when the Underwoods espoused the Union cause. No one remains now of the Underwoods but the wounded old man and two or three male relatives in the far West. The Holbrooks have the advantage in numbers, and will make the most of it unless interfered with. During all this bloodshed nothing has been done in behalf of law by any one, from Governor down to Constable.

To the Western Associated Press.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 13.—The *Gazette's* special from Grayson, Ky., says: "Jesse Underwood was shot in the door of his father's house, known as Fort Underwood, yesterday morning. The Holbrook party surrounded the house, threatening to kill anybody who would dare to bury Jesse's body or rescue George, who is badly wounded, and with the women and children, all that remains of the unfortunate Underwood family, inside of the house. George to-day sent word to the County Judge, praying for help and protection. The Governor has been appealed to, but has not responded. This is the fifth murder within the last three weeks in Carter County, four of the murdered men being Underwoods and a member of the Holbrook tribe, and nothing has been done by any officer from the Governor down to the County Magistrate to check this fearful bloodshed.