SOUTHERN CRIMES AND ATROCITIES.

A FEW CHAPTER.

More Lynch Law in Kentucky.—We understand that for several days past, the most intense excitement has prevailed in Larue county, in consequence of the confession of a startling tragedy. John, a negro, his property in Larue county, who was arrested about one year since, charged with the murder of Miss Mary Shaler, has confessed his participation in the crime, and implicates several other persons.

This Miss Shaler was originally a resident of Bardstown; but at the time of the murder was temporarily living in Larue county, with Mrs. Murphy. The negro has been twice tried, but each time the juries failed to agree. A few days since, the negro was induced to make a clean breast of the horrible affair, being threatened with lynching—persons telling him that the Taylor county mob was coming to hang him.

He says that four other persons were connected with him in the affair, he being a mere tool, and receiving $200. The persons charged are Mrs. Murphy, her daughter, aged sixteen years, James McGavock, and William Pickrell. These parties were all immediately arrested. Great excitement existed throughout the community, and so exasperated were the citizens, that it was with much difficulty the officers could prevent the crowd from lynching the accused. In fact, Pickrell was at one time strung up.

The murder, it is said, was committed because Miss Shaler was supposed to have a considerable sum of money. It is generally believed, however, that the true cause was that Pickrell's brother was about to marry the unfortunate young woman, concerning whose virtue there were serious reports. His brother and McGavock, a brother-in-law, had her murdered to prevent the marriage.—*Louisville Courier.*

Horrible Cruelty.—The murder of a negro owned by George Brent, in Northumberland county, by six white and free negro men, has been noticed. A white witness has turned up who saw the murder. The *Alexandria Gazette* says:—

'He said that several days before, as he was passing by the place, he heard the cries and groans of a person apparently in great agony, and upon leaving his wagon and going to the spot whence they proceeded, he found the colored man suspended to a tree, and the persons mentioned cutting him to pieces with switches, having at the same time a fire burning near him, and that he cut him down as soon as he could, but too late to save his life, as he died soon after, suffering intense pain. He also said that there were some free negro accomplices, who cut the switches with which he was scourged. They were immediately arrested, and given nine and thirty-on their bare backs, and ordered to leave the county. The excitement was so great that many were in favor of lynching the demons who committed the foul act, but law and order prevailed, and they were handed over to the authorities, who committed them to jail to await the judgment of the law. The reason given for the commission of the deed was that the negro, with whom they had been trading, had informed against them. His name was Bill, and he belonged to Mr. George Brent.'

Negro Man Killed.—On Thursday night of last week, Mark, a negro man belonging to Major James Brown, residing three miles northwest of this place, was brutally murdered while asleep by some person unknown. The negro lodged alone in a cabin some hundred yards or more from Maj. B.'s residence, and not appearing at breakfast on Friday morning, he was sent for, the messenger finding him dead. His head had been terribly fractured with an axe found in the cabin. Not content with this, the murderer threw his victim into the fire, and when found next morning, his head and shoulders were very much burned. Suspicion rested upon Henry, a negro man belonging to Mrs. Fausett, living some sixteen miles distant, a man who had passed off for a free man and on Sunday he was apprehended and lodged in jail. On Monday, he was tried before Justices Hickman and Lackland, and acquitted.

On Tuesday, another arrest was made of Alfred, sometimes called Doc, a negro man belonging to Maj. W. S. Cave. He was tried before the same Justices—Mr. F. T. Russell, as in the other case, prosecuting, and Messrs. Odom Guitar and L. W. Johnson defending.

The Justices differed as to the strength of the testimony, Judge Hickman being of opinion that it did not show with sufficient clearness that Alfred was guilty, Judge Lackland that it did, and he having issued the writ, the prisoner was committed for further trial.

Terrible Affair in Lincoln County.—The Fayetteville *Observer* says:—At the last July term of the Circuit Court, Mr. Joseph Radican, who lives about two miles from Mulberry village, was tried for shooting a mule, and up to the first of this week, had not paid the costs of Court. Accordingly, Sheriff Alexander, in the line of his duty, visited Mr. Radican's house last Monday, purposely to levy an execution on sufficient property to satisfy the debt. Mr. R. met him at the fence, and threatened to kill him if he entered the enclosure. Sheriff Alexander then returned to town, summoned a posse of men, and on Tuesday went up again. Mr. R. again forbade an entrance, and the officer then commenced falling down the fence for the purpose of mounting, he fired upon them with a rifle and revolver, wounding Mr. Alexander in both arms, a ball passing entirely through one wrist and lodging in the other arm, where it now is. Deputy Sheriff George was also slightly wounded in the hand. The fire was returned, and Mr. R., we are told, was shot in three places—once in the mouth, the ball coming out at the angle of the jaw, once in the back, and in the knee. About twenty shots were made in all.'

A Louisiana Tragedy.—Deeds of violence and blood have become so frequent in this country as to be really appalling. At Caddo, Louisiana, a few days ago, Mr. W. W. Smith, a well-known merchant and respected citizen, was shot down in the street by a desperado named Eldred Ward. Ward mounted his horse, and started for Texas. A reward of $3,500 was offered for his capture, and at Woodville, he was overtaken at the house of a man named Tatum. The moment the officers and posse entered the room, Ward commenced firing his pistol at the crowd, wounding John F. Walker in the neck, and killing John Barnes by shooting him through the heart. Ward continued firing, until all his pistols were discharged, then drew his bowie knife and rushed to the door, when he was shot by Mr. Tatum. In the melee, the lights were put out, and when lights were obtained, some time after, Ward was found weltering in his own blood, with pistols in hand, which he had succeeded in reloading. On the assurance that his wounds would be dressed if he made no further resistance, he threw his weapons from him. Ward was found to be severely, but not mortally wounded.

Desperate Conflict with a Runaway Negro.—The Clayton (Ala.) *Banner* gives the particulars of a desperate rencounter between a Mr. Edward Ball, landed gentleman, and a runaway negro, the property of Dr. J. B. Owens, of Russell county. The boy was discovered by Mr. Garland, who came up with him in advance of others in pursuit, when the negro stopped, drew a scythe blade, with which he had previously killed a valuable dog, and in a moment rushed upon Mr. Garland. Fortunately, Mr. G. was armed with a stout stick, with which he knocked the weapon from the negro's hand, but the latter immediately seized Mr. G.'s horse by the bridle, and commenced stabbing the animal in the neck with a dirk, from the effects of which he soon died. He lost this weapon also before he could use it on Garland. Springing on the horse, he seized Mr. G. by the neck, and dragged him to the ground, and in a scuffle that ensued, bit off a part of one of Mr. G.'s ears, and stabbing Mr. G. pretty well exhausted, and thinking, perhaps, that others would arrive, he made off again. In a short time, however, he was decoyed by a negro, who immediately seized him, when another violent battle ensued, in the midst of which a gentleman passing by, seeing the affair, came to the aid of the assisting negro, and, placing a pistol at the head of the runaway, forced him to surrender.

Lynch Law in Kentucky.—A mob of desperate men from Campbellville broke into the jail at Greensburg, Ky., on the 10th inst., and seized and hung two prisoners named Thompson and Dasper. These men belonged to the party who murdered Henry Simpson some eighteen months ago.

Another of the murderers, Elias Stagg, committed suicide in prison, to escape the action of the lynchers.

A fourth prisoner, Hunter, confessed the murder of Simpson, and implicated six others in the affair.

Bloody Tragedy.—Terrible Retributive Justice.—A great criminal offender, Paulin C. Lebleu—the cold-blooded murderer of Ewing and Parsons—the cold-hearted wife seducer and kidnapper—the lawless desperado of the parish pt. Calcasieu, who dares dared and did force his own negro slave to sit on the bench of the District Court of that parish during Court time, and in derision of the presiding judge—has at last met the fate he so richly deserved. As to the particulars of his death, we are indebted to the politeness of S. Belden, Esq., who has just returned from the Court of that parish, and we here give them as communicated to us by that gentleman.

On Monday, the 13th inst., the District Court commenced its regular session at Lake Charles, the seat of justice of the parish of Calcasieu. Every thing about town indicated that there was a deep under-current at work for some purpose unknown to strangers, for the western wing of the hotel displayed, in fine order and good keeping, many double-barreled guns, pistols and bowie-knives—Like implements of warfare were also conspicuously visible in the court-room. Things remained in this state until Wednesday morning, at which time, Paulin C. Lebleu, coming in from the country, rode up to the rack of the hotel, descended from his mule, and started towards the house with a pair of heavy dragoon pistols across his left arm, besides a repeater and bowie-knife in his belt. He had almost reached the steps of the west wing of the hotel, when he was shot from the front of the upper steps, by four different persons, by a man named Eugene Foux and several others, who all had been the victims of the lust and other depravities of Lebleu. Each discharge was deadly. His right arm was awfully mangled, four buck-shot penetrated through his neck, one through the lower part of his abdomen, and the balance, as he turned at the first fire, took effect in his shoulders and back. It appears that he received from thirty-five to forty buck-shot through the most vital portion of his person.

Lebleu expired almost instantly. And thus closed the life of one whose earthly career has been stained with blood and ruin, all of which could have been prevented, if those intrusted with the administration of justice in that parish had only performed their duty. Darkness and crime go hand in hand. We are told that from his early manhood Lebleu prided himself in the violation of the laws of his country in the most outrageous manner, and that none ever dared to arrest him for doing so. Probably some immaculate officials will look upon this assertion as libelous; but we care not. And we say boldly, although with regret, that whenever criminals are permitted to escape, either through the leniency of the juries, technicalities in indictments, absence of witnesses, and many other means—then let justice be done.—*Abbeville paper.*

Murder.—On last Sunday evening, a man named Vincent Hall, commonly known by the name of Dick Hall, together with a man named James Daffney, went to the house of Mr. Emanuel J. Hinton, about four miles south of Carrollton, on the Alton road, and made an assault upon him with a stone or brick, but before they succeeded in striking, Mr. Hinton knocked Hall down, and was about to repeat his blow, when Hall begged Hinton not to kill him. Hinton threw away his stick, whereupon Gainey hooked Hall a pistol, and shot him a shot, which Hall did, wounding Hinton below the left breast. The ball passed through the stomach, and lodged. From Sunday evening about dusk, (the time of the occurrence,) until Monday night about eleven o'clock, Mr. Hinton lived in great agony, when he died. The perpetrators of the offence have been secured, and await their trial during the term of our Circuit Court, which commences.

Considerable excitement prevails on account of this outrage, as Mr. Hinton was a very respectable and peaceable man, and an excellent citizen. On Tuesday night, a large number of persons assembled in the court-house yard, and attached a rope to a limb of a tree, and then repaired to the jail for the purpose of taking the prisoners out and stringing them, but by the earnest entreaties of officers and others, they were dissuaded from their purpose, having assurances from the prisoners that they would not take a change of venue, but submit to a trial on Saturday of this week.—*Carrollton Gazette.*

Killed by a runaway Negro.—We published yesterday morning a vague rumor with reference to the murder of a white man about five or six miles below this city, in this county, on Tuesday last. We now learn that the name of the deceased is James Bowden. The negroes were first surprised by Mr. J. T. Mack, who is an overseer, and who was riding out at the time. Mr. Mack saw but one negro at first, and thinking that the negro was one of his own, accosted him as to what he was doing there; the negro replied very pointedly, that he was attending to his own business. Mr. Mack saw at once that he did not belong to his plantation, and was convinced that he was a runaway. The overseer, having a shot-gun with him, directed the negro to go home with him, it being near the place of the overseer. The negro preceded the overseer very quietly for some distance, until they came to a short turn in the road, when the negro drew a revolver, and placing it against the person of Mr. Mack, snapped a cap; simultaneously the overseer and the negro grasped each other's weapons. He remained in this condition a short time, when the negro broke loose and fired upon Mr. Mack, who immediately made his appearance, carrying a rifle; seeing his perilous condition, Mr. Mack was forced to relinquish his shot-gun, and thus barely escape with his life. Mr. Mack and Mr. Bowden then procured dogs and weapons, and came up with the negroes about two miles distant from the scene of the first collision, and at which point Mr. Bowden was shot and killed instantly, with his very gun, perhaps, in his hands, which he was forced to relinquish to the negroes. The negro who did the shooting has been taken. In the meantime the remainder of the negroes are at large.—*Memphis Avalanche.*

Murder of a Patrol.—The Kosciusko Chronicle states that on the night of the 22d ult. Mr. Thomas R. Kriebe, a worthy citizen of New Prospect, Winston county, was killed under very mysterious circumstances, while in the discharge of his duty as Captain of the Patrol, on the plantation of Dr. R. D. Brown. He had chastised, or was attempting to chastise some of the slaves on the place; who had given him some impudence, when he suddenly disappeared, as also did several of the slaves, and when he was next heard from, he came again to his company, in a few moments, he had been struck on the head by some person or persons, fracturing the skull in a dreadful manner. He lived about 20 hours, but could give no account of who assaulted him, except that he was struck from behind.

Several negroes have been apprehended, charged with the crime, and are in jail.

Murder at Du Quoin.—The Chester (Mo.) *Herald* of the 20th ult., has the following:—

'A few weeks ago, the wife of Eli Dobson, of Du Quoin, Perry county, was found in a well, into which, it was supposed, she had fallen and been drowned. Some days after she had been found and buried, suspicion of murder fell upon her husband. The body of the wife was exhumed, and a jury of physicians decided that she had been murdered by strangulation, and subsequently thrown into the well. Mr. Dobson was arrested and examined, but the testimony being insufficient, he was acquitted.'

A Desperate Murderer.—We hear a report, says the Kemper (Miss.) *Democrat* of the 9th, 'that J. M. Steel, who killed Hudnall, was taken recently in Newton. It is said he shot the sheriff and two other men dead, before he was taken.'

☞ A free negro in Pontotoc county, Arkansas, killed a white man near Fort Smith, and on the sheriff coming with a posse to arrest him, he shot one of them, and killed the officer in a hand-to-hand encounter. Finding that he was wounded and could not escape, he then shot himself, and the surviving members of the sheriff's party burned his body on a log heap.

Murdered.—We learn from the Chapel Hill *Gazette*, that Mr. Richard S. Grant, a son in-law of the late Professor Mitchell, has been barbarously murdered not far from his own plantation in the neighborhood of Swartwout, on the Trinity River in Texas. It seems Mr. Grant and several of his neighbors had given notice to troublesome, desperado named Drake, that he must quit that county, and it is supposed that Drake shot him on the 14th ult., on the high road, while entirely unsuspicious of danger. Mr. Grant was a graduate of the University of N. Carolina, and is highly spoken of as a Christian gentleman, of quiet, unobtrusive manner.—*Wilmington (N. C.) Herald.*

Serious Affray at Belknap, Texas.—The Dallas (Texas) *Herald* has the following letter, dated Belknap, November 8, giving an account of a serious affray at that place:—

'One of the greatest outrages that have ever disgraced this State or the army, occurred this afternoon at this place. In a difficulty which occurred between a citizen, Mr. George Pettyjohn, and a soldier, the soldier was shot. The latter was taken up to the upper stories, and placed in the hospital; Mr. Pettyjohn delivered himself up to the Sheriff. Whilst accompanying the Sheriff up to the Justice's office, a party of soldiers, completely armed, belonging to Company B, of the 2d Cavalry, who had just arrived from Fort Mason, and to which the soldier belonged, came over to the town, and commenced firing upon Mr. Pettyjohn, in attempting to escape, ran into Mr. Fisher's Hotel.

The soldiers, some twenty in number, headed by a sergeant named Rosendolph, followed up, firing indiscriminately at every man they saw running, and then surrounded the hotel and fired into it, until they were stopped by Major Thomas, who came down in haste, accompanied by several of his officers and a guard of soldiers. Mr. Pettyjohn (Alexander) was drinking, to be sure, but must have been guilty of some outrageous conduct to have induced a sober man, as was Pettyjohn at the time, to have shot him.

Both the wounded men are doing well, and will very likely recover. Mr. Pettyjohn received two shots in each arm, one in the right chest (this one ranging round,) one in the face, and a flesh wound in the left shoulder. He has also a wound behind the right ear, but whether it was produced by a shot or a piece of glass is not known. Alexander received a wound from a six-shooter, the ball passing through his mouth and out at the back of the neck.'

Horrible Murder in Russell County, Alabama.—A terrible tragedy, most of the details of which are yet involved in mystery, was enacted in Russell county, Alabama, in the Uchee settlements, a few miles west of Crawford, a few days since. The victims were Mr. Isaac Porter and his wife. It appeared, upon investigation, that Mr. Porter, who was a young man recently married, and living near his father, had got into the habit of feeding her stock early in the morning. On Tuesday morning, he not coming over as usual to attend to this business, the old lady repaired to his house to see if any thing had happened, and there found Mrs. Porter in her bed dead, and Mr. P. insensible. Subsequently, Mr. Porter revived for a time, and stated that during the night his wife awakened him, and told him she heard some noise in the house; that he started to get out of bed, when several heavy blows were dealt him—he remembered having received three. Of what happened afterwards he knew nothing. Mrs. Porter had been beaten to death by blows upon her head, and medical men were satisfied that she had been violated by some man or men from marks upon her person. The deceased were poor people, and the horrible crime could not have been committed from any hope of obtaining money. There was no positive evidence pointing to any particular persons as the guilty parties, but there was a suspicion that the deed had been committed by negroes.

Mr. Porter died, after telling all he knew of the horrible tragedy.

A Horrid Affair.—The Galveston *News* of the 25th says:—'Some two weeks since, Mr. Kennedy, living near Jamestown, had stolen from his trunk $1150, and the same night, a valuable mulatto girl belonging to him was missing. Search far and near was immediately instituted for the runaway and money, but without success. Last Wednesday, a man named Wilson was hunting in the woods, about three-quarters of a mile from Mr. Kennedy's residence, when he discovered portions of a dress scattered over the ground. Upon a strict search being made, the dead body of the girl was found, with her throat cut from ear to ear, and four or five stabs in the region of the heart. The low portion of her dress was found to have been destroyed by the hogs. There is no doubt that some fiend in human shape had induced the girl to commit the robbery, with the promise of taking her to a free State, and succeeded in enticing her away from the house into the woods, and there basely murdered her, and escaped with the money. The girl was nearly white. No suspicion attaches to any one.'

Bloody Affray in Florida.—Wacahoota is known as the birth-place of Gen. Billy Bowlegs, and it would seem that some of his successors are equally brave and impetuous. There has, it seems, been quite exciting rivalry between Lafayette Gay and Mr. William Gibbons, for some time, and they appointed to meet at Wacahoota last Friday, to settle it. Accordingly, they met, attended by ten or fifteen friends on either side, probably most of them armed for deadly strife. Gay brought a double-barrel shot gun. After some few words, blows ensued; pistols were drawn; Gay caught up his gun, fired in quick succession at Mr. James Gibbons, and at Mr. Gibbons, both friends of Standly, and both fell dead. He then clubbed his gun, and struck such a violent blow at Standly as to sever the breech lock and barrels upon him. Standly is yet alive, but there is little expectation of his surviving. Three were left dead on the ground within a few feet of each other, and one of Gay's brothers hobbled off, shot through the leg. In the general melee of dirks, knives, pistols and sticks, it is a wonder others were not killed.—*Cor. Savannah Republican.*

Horrible Tragedy.—A most singular and horrible tragedy occurred in Grand Cote Prairie, Perry county, last week. Two men, named Hunter and Reed, living in the same house, got into difficulty, and resorted to knives. The wives of the parties were in the room when the altercation commenced, and left instantly. When they returned, they found both the men severely, and, as the sequel has proved, mortally wounded. One died in a few hours, and the other the next day.

The affair, as we are informed, wears a singular and mysterious feature. Though both men were severely cut, no bloody knife could be found. When some of the neighbors, to whom the intelligence of the affair had been communicated by the wives, reached the house in which the difficulty occurred, they found both of the men in the same bed, one on the feather bed, the other beneath it.—*Chester (Mo.) Herald, Nov. 19.*

☞ A letter from Mecklenburg county, Va., to the *South-Side Democrat*, says that Wiley Jones, of that county, shot his son a few weeks ago, under the following circumstances. Jones had been absent from home with his double-barrel shot gun, and when he returned, he found his son sitting in the grove. As he approached, exclaiming, 'Now I've got you,' the son started to run. Instantly the father fired at him, and on his continuing to try and get away, fired the second barrel. At the second fire, young Jones fell badly wounded in the back and neck. No cause is assigned for this murderous assault. It is hoped young Jones will recover. One hundred and twenty shot have been taken from the wound. The unnatural father has made his escape.

☞ 'Just as we were going to press,' says the Liberty (Va.) *Sentinel* of Friday, 'a street fight came off in front of the court-house, between Mr. Wm. H. Reynolds, editor of the Bedford *Democrat*, and Mr. Burton, of the Lynchburg *Virginian*, growing out of some remarks made in the local column of the latter paper, which the first-named gentleman considered to be personally offensive. Several shots were exchanged, but neither sustained any injury. The parties, with their securities, were bound over in the sum of $2,000 to keep the peace, and to appear before the grand jury at the next term.'

☞ On Saturday night, a most atrocious murder was committed at Huntsville, Mo., on the person of Mr. Benjamin Bruce, by two of his negro men. We have heard no cause assigned for the act except that Mr. Samuel Hardin, previous to his death, willed his negroes to be free during his lifetime, and at his death they were to be free; and it is supposed that it was to obtain their freedom that they committed the act. It seems that they attacked him with a poker and shovel while he was in bed; as the bed was very bloody. His head was beaten to a pulpitce. Both of the boys are in custody, who give contradictory statements as to the cause of his death.—*St. Louis Republican.*

☞ On the 4th ult., at New Albany, Miss., a man named Daniel Newman killed Thomas J. Bise with a pocket knife, inflicting a single stab near the region of the heart. Bise lived but a few moments. The crowd took Newman, confined him, and placed a guard over him. About 2 o'clock, next morning, Newman's dead body was found suspended by the neck from the rafters of an old shelter. Of course, 'nobody' committed the act of vengeance.

What was worse is, it turned out the next day, before the jury of inquest, that Bise was killed accidentally, or rather intentionally, on the part of Newman. These facts are gathered from the correspondence of the Memphis *Eagle.*

Bloody Deed at Holly Springs.—The Holly Springs (Miss.) *Democrat* of the 9th contains the particulars of a bloody deed lately committed at that place. Lucien Burton discharged both barrels of a double-barrel shot gun at a man named Swinney or Sweeney, who has only been about two months in the place. One load took effect in Swinney's left hand, lacerating it dreadfully; and the other was discharged into the left side of his face, tearing his face and lip to pieces. For some time, it was thought that the wounded man could not survive; but it is now thought that he may survive, with the loss of his hand.

Life in Texas.—A Texas paper says:—'On Sunday morning last, a man was found hanging on the public square of Bonville. He was a stranger; and by whom hung, and what for, is entirely unknown. From appearances, he was not over twenty-five years of age. A striking feature in the case is, the rope by which he was suspended passed under his arms, in lieu of being tied around his neck. Many suppose, of course, that he had been deprived of his previous to being placed in this position. The whole matter is shrouded in mystery.'

Shocking Barbarity.—The Memphis (Tenn.) *Avalanche* says that Reuben, a slave of Mrs. Stork, recently came to his death from punishment received at the hands of Wm. S. Montgomery, his overseer; who, for some trifling offence, from labor, gave the wretched negro one hundred stripes, which punishment was renewed daily for ten days, until he sank under the torture. The coroner's jury returned a verdict in accordance with the foregoing statement. The overseer had escaped for the present.

Duel in Virginia.—A duel took place in the neighborhood of Richmond, Va., on the 17th of September, between the Hon. Sherrard Clemens, member of Congress from the Wheeling District, and O. Jennings Wise, Esq., one of the editors of the *Enquirer*. Clemens's thigh was fractured. No one was unhurt. The cause was a charge on Clemens by Wise, in the *Enquirer*, of having perpetrated an act of gross treachery toward Judge Brockenbrough, under guise of personal friendship, in stating in a letter to the *Enquirer* that Brockenbrough was not a candidate for the Governorship, without authority from Judge B.

Duel.—The New Orleans *Crescent City* says:

'Two citizens of respectability, one of them a bank teller, settled a difficulty with small-swords at the Metairie yesterday morning. Both were wounded; one being pinked twice, and the other receiving an accidental wound by his sword being knocked out of his hand by that of his antagonist. His sword went up whirling, and, as it came down, gave him an ugly cut on the forehead. The seconds then interfered, and the difficulty was settled without further combat.'

Death at a Card Table.—A few days ago, as two men, Farrar and Tucker, were playing cards in Rockville, Ala., the latter gave the former the lie, when Farrar struck him in the neck with a knife, severing the jugular vein, and causing instant death.

☞ On Friday, a Mr. H. M. Boyer walked into the Farmer's Bank, at Pincastle, Va., and deliberately shot the President, Mr. James McDowell, senior, who had seduced the daughter of Boyer.

Duel without Seconds.—The *Central Organ* says; 'On the first of this month, a duel was fought in the parish of St. Martin between Mr. Gabriel and Mr. Bourgeois, with shot guns, loaded with buckshot, and, strange to say, it was fought without seconds. Mr. B. was mortally wounded, while Mr. G. escaped unhurt.'

Fatal Affray.—A difficulty occurred a few days ago in Carrol county, Miss., between Mr. Jackson and Mr. Childress, in which the former killed the latter by shooting him with a shot gun.

A Continuation of Crime.—A rumor is afloat in this community, says the Richmond (Ky.) *Messenger*, that a son of the Hon. John P. Moore, and a brother of the young Moore who was killed by the Haleys last summer in Rockcastle county, entered the jail at Mount Vernon, in which the three were confined, and deliberately shot the father, William Haley, with a pistol. The rumor is that the wound is thought to be fatal.

Fatal Affray.—The Memphis *Bulletin* learns that a difficulty occured at Senatobia, Miss., last Saturday, between Col. Roberts and Mr. Combs, of that place, in which the former was shot and killed by the latter. The parties to this melancholy affair were brothers-in-law, and we learn that the difficulty between them was of family origin. The shooting occurred in a circus exhibition at that place, and Roberts survived only a few minutes after receiving the wound.

Collegiate Outrage.—There has been a violent outbreak among the students of the North Carolina University at Chapel Hill, the principal features of which are, the burning of one of the teachers in effigy, assaulting the Faculty, burning the benches, and attacking a private residence.

☞ Mr. Nesbitt, jailor of Calloway county, Mo., was killed by a negro, on the 8th inst. The negro was imprisoned, Mr. Nesbitt went into the cell, when the negro struck him on the head with a bar of iron, killing him instantly.

☞ A policeman, named Benjamin Benton, was shot dead at Baltimore, recently, by Henry Gambrill, keeper of a public house. The policeman was attempting to arrest some riotous characters at the house. Gambrill was arrested for murder.

☞ A few years ago, a negro living near Cynthiana, Ky., was accused of murder. Soon after, the negro was killed by a white man named Morrison. About a year ago, Morrison was killed by his brother-in-law, named Whalan, and Whalan himself was killed recently by a man named Phillips.—*Nashville Gazette.*

☞ In New Orleans, some few weeks since, Miss Rose McKinney, aged seven years, severely stabbed Willie Scully, aged five years, with a penknife. No cause assigned.

☞ Camph Furgison, of Clinton county, Ky., dangerously wounded Floyd Evans, and instantly killed James Reed, while they were endeavoring to serve a warrant upon him, in Fentress county, Tenn., a few weeks since.

☞ The Richmond *Democrat* states that a man by the name of William Rice shot a Mr. Robert Wade, on the 6th ult., near the mouth of Gates's Creek, killing him instantly. None of the particulars are given.

☞ Two slaves, one belonging to Mr. Robinson, of McLean County, Ky., the other to minor heirs in Henderson county, were lodged in the Owensboro' jail, recently, for poisoning Mr. Robinson's family. One slave furnished the poison, and the other put it into the teakettle. The dose proved so powerful as to produce violent vomiting, and that, it is supposed, saved the lives of the victims.

☞ A fight occurred at the St. Louis Fair grounds on the 9th inst., between Robert W. Hurt and Robert Morrow, in which the latter was shot, and dangerously wounded.

☞ A terrible rencontre took place in the streets of Galveston between Sam Horton, steward of the steamer Neptune, and Dr. Frederman, in which both were wounded, though not fatally, Horton being shot in the neck, and Frederman in the head. Dodd Green, during the fight, was severely cut in the hand.

☞ A Texas paper, in recording a fight between two boys, in which one shot the other in the back of the head, observes that it is a common thing there to see boys from ten to fourteen years of age carrying about their persons bowie-knives and pistols.