

THREE NEGROES LYNCHED.

Men of Their Own Race Broke Into the Jail Where They Were Confined and Hanged Them.

CAIRO, Ill., Sept. 12.—A mob of negroes last night broke into the jail at Wickliffe, Ky., across the river from this city, and lynched three negroes, Frank Howard, Sam Reed and Ernest Harrison. They hanged the men to a cross beam in John McCauley's mill.

The crime for which the men were hanged was the murder of an old and respected negro, Wash Thomas. Last Saturday night they waylaid Thomas on the railroad track, hit him with a club, killing him, and then robbed the dead body.

The murderers confessed their crime before the mob.

The murdered man was employed in a tobacco factory. His slayers worked in a brickyard. Everything was quiet in Wickliffe today and the bodies of the men were still hanging at noon.