# QUADRUPLE LYNCHING.

Prizzners Taken from a California Jail by an Armed Mob.

ONE A BOY OF NINETEEN YEARS.

His Last Words Were: "Tell My Old Mother I Am Innocent of the Crime." The Lynchers Gained Access to the Jail

YREKA, Cal., Aug. 27.-Four murderers were taken from the county jail by a mob of 250 men at 1 o'clock in the morning and lynched. A band of citizens, fearing that the law would not be carried out, and angered over the atrocity of recent crimes, determined to take matters into their own hands. The lynching was the ghastly climax to the reign of lawlessness which has prevailed in Siskiyou county for some months past. One of the victims was Lawrence Johnson, who on the evening of July 28, stabbed his wife to death in the town of Etna. Another was William Null, who shot Henry Hoyter in the back with a rifle near Callahan's on April 21. Louis Morne and Garland Seemler, who are supposed to have killed George Sears and Casper Miererhans, at Bailey Hill on Aug. 5, were also hanged.

At 11 o'clock farmers from all over the surrounding country began to drive into town, and by midnight the mob was ready to march to the county jail. Before proceeding, however, every precaution was taken to prevent the plans of the bundless from being from the product of the surface of the lynchers from being frustrated by the officers of the law. The sheriff and one of his deputies were decoyed to another part of the town by two members of the mob, who were engaged in a sham fight, and the fire bell was muffled to prevent an alarm being given in that way. When the jail was reached a number of the men, all of whom were masked, awakened Up-der Sheriff Radford, and demanded the keys from him. He positively refused to open the door or to give up the keys, tell-ing them that if they broke in the door he would blow their brains out. Finding that Radford was determined not to give them the keys they got on top of a stone

wall which surrounds the jail.

Deputy Sheriff Henry Brahtlacht, who
has been sleeping in the jail since the commitment of so many murderers, thinking some one was escaping from the jail, fired two shots out of the window to alarm City Marshal Parks and Deputy Sheriff Radford. He then opened the doors, and was immediately held up by the mob, who took the keys from him and entered the jail. Having no keys to the different cells, they were compelled to burst the locks with a sledge hammer.

Lawrence ri. Johnson was the first to receive the attention of the mob. They broke the lock from the door of his cell, and placing a rope around his neck, led him out of the jail and across the street to where an iron rail was laid between the forks of two locust trees. Johnson pleaded for mercy, but the silent gathering gave no heed to his appeals, and he was quickly strung up, dying from strangulation in a few minutes.

The mob returned to the jail and then broke into the cell of William Null. Null desired to make a statement, but time was teo valuable to permit any such preliminaries, and he was soon hanging alongside of Johnson. Louis Morene was soon swinging with Johnson and Null.

The last and youngest of the four murderers to pay the penalty of his crim Garland Seemler, aged about 19. A rope was placed around Seemler's neck, and he was led from the jail in his bare feet. Seemler begged for mercy, and his last words were: Tell my dear old mother I am innocent of the crime.'

About this time Sheriff Hobbs, having been notified, arrived on the scene, and starting for the jail door, was commanded to halt, the command being emphasized by the display of several revolvers. He was told that the "job had been done." By this time the greater part of the mob had dispersed, leaving only thirty or forty men on guard, who left soon after the sheriff arrived.

Yreka is a little mining town, and years ago was frequently the scene of mob violence. The summary manner in which justice was meted out to the four murderers reminded the pioneers of similar scenes during the gold excitement forty years ago, when it was not an uncommon spectacle to awaken in the morning and see the body of a notorious criminal dangling from a tree.

A Negro Hanged by Twelve Masked Men. SPRINGFIELD, Ky., Aug. 27.-A dozen masked men took Harrison Lewis, a negro who was charged with the murder of Joseph Brooks, also colored, from the jail here and hanged him to a tree in the court house yard. The men, after three hours' work, succeeded in battering down the jail door with sledge hammers. The mob did its work in a systematic man-ner and seemed to be thoroughly organized. It is the opinion of many persons that it was composed of colored men.

Death of a Well Known Jurist, BALTIMORE, Aug. 28.—Ex-Judge Edward A. Gibbs, of the appeal tax court, died of general debility. He was well known here and much respected, and was for many years a prominent Free Mason and Odd Fellow. Three sons and two daughters survive him. Judge Gibbs in his younger days was an expert swimmer, and his rescue of little Sophia Gold from drowning in 1855 marked him as a genuine hero. He saw the child fall overboard and he leaped into Light street wharf and brought her ashore before life was extinct.

Killed a Woman and Three Children. London, Aug. 28 .- The coroner's jury investigating the murder of Mrs. Reynolds and her three children at Mansfield on Aug. 11, returned a verdict of wilful murder against Henry Wright, a lodger in the Reynolds house. Wright stabbed the woman and the three children, set fire to the house and unsuccessfully attempted to commit suicide.

Stolen Treasure Given Up for Lost. SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 28.-Wells, Fargo & Co. no longer entertain a hope of recovering the \$53,000 stolen from the train which was held up near Swingles Station, Cal., last October. Two empty bags, which originally contained the missing treasure, have been found near the scene of the robbery. Each contained \$20,000.

Two Boys Drowned. CHRISEA, Mass., Aug. 28.-William H. Barnes, 11 years old. and his cousin, Irving W. Theobold, 13 years old, of Stonewere drowned in the Mystic river near the naval hospital grounds. The were playing on a small raft and thrown into the water by it partially



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