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LYNCHING AWAITS THEM.

Five Desperadoes Will Be Given Short Shrift by Angry Citizens.

Deadwood, S. D., Nov. 2.—There is every reason to believe that there will be a quintuple lynching in the Bad Lands shortly if it has not already occurred. A courier who arrived at day-break reported that a mob of 500 men were close on the trail of five desperadoes whom they had been following for 36 hours.

Sunday night the four Belle Fourche bank robbers known as the "Curry gang" broke jail here, having overpowered the Lawrence county jailer and his wife. They assaulted the woman and then fled to the hills, taking with them William Moore, colored murderer.

The fugitives are members of a band of outlaws who were captured only a week ago in Montana after a desperate battle. They are Frank Jones, Tom O'Day, Tom Jones and Walter Putney.

The jailer was aroused by the men ripping the iron bars from their cells. By their united strength they then broke down the wooden partition and suddenly presented themselves before the astonished keeper.

The guard pointed his revolver at them, but it was knocked from his hand. As he drew another he was thrown upon the floor. Then he reached for a knife, and the four men fell upon him and beat him into unconsciousness. Then they assaulted his wife and fled. It was an hour before the jailer recovered and told what had happened.

The four men had supplied themselves with rifles and revolvers, as the jail was well stocked with arms.

As the desperadoes ran from the building they knocked down a special mine watchman. This man rose and fired at the fugitives.

The shooting roused the citizens, who rushed from all directions and gave chase. As the outlaws retreated into the forest they returned the fire of their pursuers.

Several citizens were injured more or less. Frank Elliott was shot through the body, and Fred Swobe was desperately wounded. After inviting the mob to come and fight them the outlaws disappeared in the hills in the direction of the Bad Lands.

A posse of 200 citizens, soon augmented to 500, was quickly in pursuit. The chase will be kept up, and it is understood the men will be killed on sight.

Each of the desperadoes is suffering from wounds received at the time of his capture for the robbery of the bank of Belle Fourche.

The cashier of the bank and two citizens were killed when the bank was robbed.

RUTHERFORD ALOOK DEAD.

He Was at One Time President of the Royal Geographical Society.

London, Nov. 2.—Sir Rutherford Alcock, K. C. B., who in 1876 was president of the Royal Geographical society and who in 1882 presided over the health department of the social science congress, is dead.

Sir Rutherford Alcock, who was born in 1829, was the son of Dr. Thomas Alcock and was educated for the medical profession. He was on the medical staff of the British auxiliary forces in Spain in support of Isabella II against the Carlists and in Portugal in support of Maria II against the Miguelists, for which services he received honors and decorations from the British, Spanish and Portuguese governments. Later he was British consul at Fuchau, Shanghai and at Canton, from which place he was transferred to the diplomatic service and became British minister to Japan.

Sir Rutherford Alcock was created a K. C. B. in 1882 and in 1885 he was transferred to Peking as chief superintendent of trade in China, remaining until 1870. The deceased was the author of "Notes on the Medical History of the British Legion in Spain," "Elements of Japanese Grammar," "The Capital of the Tycoon," and "Familiar Dialogues in Japanese."

Cecil Rhodes' Illness.

London, Nov. 2.—The most grave rumors were in circulation today on the Stock Exchange respecting the health of Cecil Rhodes, former premier of Cape Colony and director of the British Chartered South African company. It was even erroneously reported that Mr. Rhodes was dead, and South African securities were flat in consequence.

To Sign the Sealing Treaty.

Washington, Nov. 2.—Important preparations are being made for the signing of the new treaty between the United States, Russia and Japan for the suspension of pelagic sealing in Bering sea and the north Pacific. It can now be stated that the formal ceremony of signing is expected to occur at the state department next Friday.

Many Firemen Injured.

Philadelphia, Nov. 3.—During the progress of a fire at Borno's dyeing and scouring establishment today, a large can of benzine exploded. Thirteen firemen were so seriously burned that they had to be taken to a hospital. It is feared that some of them may lose their eyesight. The loss by fire was slight.

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

DEMOCRATS WIN.

Republican Plurality in New York City and State Gone.

VAN WYCK ELECTED MAYOR

Tammany Candidate Beat Seth Low by About 80,000 Votes.

TRACY ONLY A POOR THIRD.

Not a Single Greater New York Borough Went Republican.

New Jersey Also Showed Heavy Gains For the Democrats, While Pennsylvania Remained Solidly in Line With the Republicans—In Ohio the Result is Still in Doubt, and the Official Count Will Probably Be Necessary—George Fred Williams Again Beaten For Governor of Massachusetts by Wolcott—Fusionists Have Won in Nebraska—Judge Parker's Big Vote in New York and Brooklyn—Returns From Other Points.

Hall in the city and of the Democracy in the state. The indications are that the Democrats have carried the lower branch of the legislature and 3 senators are still in doubt. The Republicans have almost certainly lost control of the assembly. If the Democrats have not elected a majority of the members there will not be enough organization Republicans to give the party a working majority.

The Greater New York delegation in the assembly will consist of 61, out of which the Democrats will most likely have 57. Reports show that 23 other Democrats have been elected outside of Greater New York, or 80 in all.

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The Cleveland Leader (Rep.) says: "Governor Bushnell has carried Ohio by a majority of from 20,000 to 25,000. This insures the election of a Republican majority in the general assembly and the return of Marcus A. Hanna to the United States senate. In this city and Cuyahoga county the Republican ticket has a majority of from 4,000 to 5,000 and the three Republican senators and nine Republican representatives in the legislature are secured."

The Plain Dealer (Dem.), in an extra edition, gives Bushnell a plurality of 4,853 in this (Cuyahoga) county. Senator Hanna's home, and says he will have a plurality not to exceed 10,000 in the state. It is conceded that the entire Republican legislative ticket for this district, as well as the Republican county ticket, is elected by small pluralities.

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