

A Bloody Street Battle at Union

Culmination of Feud in Little Mississippi Town With Loss of Two Lives in Fight.

TWO OTHER PARTICIPANTS WOUNDED IN AFFAIR

Miller and Chisholm, Thought at First Fatally Wounded, Will Live Unless Complication Set In—Fight Arose Over Sale of a Cow.

Meridian, Miss., July 17.—About 9 o'clock this morning a bloody street battle occurred at Union, Miss., in which two men were killed and two fatally wounded. The dead are D. J. McDonald and Pete McDonald. The fatally wounded are Cornelius Chisholm and Joe Miller; dangerously wounded, Murphy McDonald.

It appears that the shooting was the outcome of an old feud, which was increasing in its intensity, and culminated over the sale of some cattle by D. J. McDonald, a wealthy cattle owner of Union, sold in Meridian yesterday, and which Cornelius Chisholm claimed belonged to him. Chisholm was in the city yesterday looking for the cattle, which he is said to have located here. Meeting this morning in front of the Union Bank in Union, Pete McDonald and Joe Miller engaged in a fight Cornelius Chisholm interfered, pulling his gun. He shot McDonald, killing him instantly. D. J. McDonald, a brother of Pete McDonald, ran up, and when he saw his brother lying dead he turned on Chisholm, and drawing his pistol fired upon him, Chisholm returning the fire. McDonald was instantly killed and fell upon the sidewalk near the stiffening body of his brother. A few feet away from them Chisholm fell, fatally wounded. Murphy McDonald, a young son of D. J. McDonald, who ran up on hearing the shooting, was wounded in the arm by a stray bullet, as was also Joe Miller, several shots wounding him dangerously.

The town was so wrought up over the tragic affair that every business house was closed by 9:30. D. J. and Pete McDonald, the two men killed, were wealthy cattle owners, and were very prominent in Newton.

Murphy McDonald was associated with his uncle in the livery business. Chisholm and Miller are both prominent in business at Union.

Immediately after the shooting a telephone message was sent here for Dr. E. I. Turner, summoning him to come at once on a special train. Dr. Turner left at once, accompanied by Dr. Tatum and several people from here.

WOUNDED WILL LIVE

Union, Miss., July 18.—That the death roll of yesterday's battle between the McDonald and Chisholm factions on the streets of Union will be two instead of four is indicated by the reports which the attending surgeons issued on the wounded tonight. Joe Miller, who received two pistol shot wounds, one in the abdomen and one in the side, is fighting gamely for his life, and his doctors say that if complications do not set in he has a fair chance for recovery. Cornelius Chisholm, who received one bullet in the breast, is resting easy, with every prospect of a successful fight against death. Both Miller and Chisholm were at first believed to be fatally wounded. Young Murphy McDonald, a son of one of the two McDonalds who were killed, received a bad wound in the arm, but his injury is not regarded as being of a very serious nature. It is generally believed that he was struck by a stray bullet from his father's revolver.

It now appears that the cow which was the bone of contention in the row that led up to the tragedy was the property of an old negro, and did not belong to either Chisholm or the McDonalds. It was found that the cow had been stolen and sold in Meridian. Chisholm went to Meridian in an effort to identify the cow. The McDonalds had just sold some cattle in Meridian, and when Chisholm got back the quarrel started. It is now asserted that Joe Miller did not draw a revolver, but pulled a knife. He was shot by Peter McDonald, who was, in turn, killed by Chisholm.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT

Mrs. Jos. R. Davis Brake Ankle Yesterday While Getting Out of Vehicle.

Mrs. Jos. R. Davis of New Orleans, who has been spending some time in Biloxi, guest of Mrs. A. B. Austin, fell from a carriage at the Louisville & Nashville depot yesterday afternoon while descending to take the train to New Orleans and broke her ankle. The wound was a very painful one and will confine the patient to her room for some time. Mrs. Davis was taken to the home of Mrs. A. E. Austin, where she will be while the ankle is mending. Miss Edith Davis, Mrs. Davis' daughter, is visiting Misses Cora and Marguerite Elmer. Mrs. Davis is a cousin of Mrs. Margaret Davis Hayes, who passed away yesterday at Colorado Springs.