

FUGITIVE SLAVE CASE!!

ARRESTS AND RESCUED!

United States Deputy Marshal and Posses taken into Custody.

There has been great excitement during the last two days, in Greene county, in this State, in consequence of the arrest of four individuals charged with aiding a slave to escape. On Tuesday, United States Deputy Marshal Churchill, accompanied by eleven assistants, left this city for Mechanicsburg, Champaign county, Ohio, eleven miles, from Urbana, having with him a warrant issued by Commissioner Newhall, for the arrest of Charles and Edward Taylor, brothers, Russel Hyde, and Hiram Guttridge, who, says the warrant, did, about the 21st day of August, 1856, harbor and conceal one Add White, a person owing service and labor to Daniel G. White, of Flemingsburg, Kentucky, who had, previous to said date, escaped into the State of Ohio, and was then a fugitive from such service and labor, so as to prevent the discovery and arrest of the said Add White. The offence charged, it will be observed, is not that the slave was aided in the escape from his master in Kentucky by the four accused persons, but that they sheltered and protected him in Ohio; or, in other words, they "put him through" on the Underground Railroad. The penalty for the offence is a fine of a thousand dollars and imprisonment.

On Wednesday morning, the Deputy Marshal left Urbana with his posse, in hired carriages, and in Mechanicsburg, and the neighborhood succeeded in arresting the four accused individuals. While the arrests were in progress, the most intense excitement was created in the vicinity. The news spread rapidly, and a determination was expressed to use every means the law provides to rescue the prisoners from the hands of the Border Ruffians, as the officers were called, whose sole object, it was confidently, though erroneously asserted, was to take them over to Kentucky and lynch them.

A writ of *habeas corpus* was procured from a Judge in Champaign county, and the Sheriff attempted to serve it; but before he could do so, the officers had conducted the prisoners beyond the bounds of the county. A second warrant was then procured in Clarke county. The Sheriff in this instance pursued and came up with the party, but they refused to obey the writ. The Sheriff not having force to compel obedience, they proceeded on their journey to this city. A third writ was then obtained in Greene County, and the Sheriff of that county, with his posse, served it upon the U. S. officers at six o'clock yesterday morning, in Jamestown. The U. S. officers resented the act of the county officers in seizing their horses' reins before making known their business. A warm altercation ensued. The Sheriff and his men were assisted by an excited crowd of two or three hundred persons. Rifles and pistols were displayed. The Marshal and his men drew their weapons, and several shots were fired. Mr. Churchill discharged his revolver at the crowd, but no one was injured. The conflict was sharp and stubborn, but superior numbers prevailed and the Deputy Marshal with all his posse, were made prisoners, and a dispatch received yesterday afternoon stated that they were to be sent last night to Springfield for trial.

At Springfield, at one o'clock yesterday, Deputy Marshal Kieler arrested Isaac Sargent on a similar charge to that made against the others, and brought him to this city, where he was held by Commissioner Newhall in \$1,500 bail for examination next week.—*Cincinnati Gazette*, May 2^o.

[This, undoubtedly, is the case to which an obscure allusion was made to our telegraph report Saturday morning. It is another of the beautiful fruits of the infamous Fugitive Slave Act. The results will be looked for with interest.—ED. SEXTON.]