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# VINDICATOR—EXTRA.

## Fatal Riot in Danville

THREE NEGROES KILLED

Two White Men Mortally Wounded.

[Special Telegram to the Staunton VINDICATOR.]

DANVILLE, VA. }  
Sunday, Nov. 4, 1 A. M. }

Yesterday afternoon the white people of Danville held a mass meeting to endorse the statements in the Danville circular, and to denounce the statements of the Coalition Mayor, contradicting them.

While the meeting was in session a crowd of Negroes gathered in front of the building, some of them jeering the Democrats who were passing in. Presently a negro and a highly respectable young white man had a difficulty on the street. A large crowd of negroes gathered around the scene. The negro was severely punished by the white man and several negroes in the crowd then drew pistols and dared the white men, who also had gathered around the scene, to come on.

One of the negroes fired a pistol at a group of five white men and thereupon a fusilade of firearms ensued in which about one hundred shots were fired. The negroes scattered in every direction and the white men held the ground.

Three negroes were killed and two were wounded, one of whom will probably die.

Among the white men shot was Mr. Walter H. Holland, who is dangerously wounded in the head, and it is feared, mortally. He is one of the most promising young men of Danville, and his sad fate has cast a gloom over the community. He is a son of C. G. Holland, Chairman of the Democratic Congressional Committee of this District and one of the wealthiest citizens of Danville.

Mr. J. B. Seward, another of the white men was shot through the body and will probably die.

All is quiet at the date of this telegram.

DANVILLE REGISTER.

LATER.

The Mayor of Danville has called on Governor Cameron for troops and the 1st Va. Regiment of Richmond has received orders to hold itself in readiness.