

EXCITEMENT IN MARYLAND.—AN OUT- RAGE.

There is an excitement in Belair, Md., growing out of the tarring and feathering, for his anti-slavery opinions, of Mr. James L. Bowers, in which the citizens generally appear to have taken sides:—

In the night he was decoyed under false pretences, by a stranger, who said he had broken down, and asked Mr. Bowers to get him a piece of rope, and assist him. Mr. B., in the kindness of his heart, went to the gate, and there was caught by a gang lying in wait. Mr. Bowers made alarm, which reached his wife, and she ran to his assistance, and commenced in good earnest to unmask some of the party, for which she was so much injured that Dr. M. Whaling despaired of her life for some time, she being about seven months in pregnancy. On the next morning, Mr. Bowers went to Chestertown, before Esq. Graves, and made oath to the following persons, and the Squire put them under bonds of \$500 each, for their appearance at next court:—George H. Randy, Josiah Ringgold, Harris Beck, William P. Francis, Isaac Perkins, Saml. Baker, William T. Baker, Frisby Brown; being eight in number.

Report says, that there were about thirty persons present, but Mr. Bowers could not identify any more. On the Saturday following the occurrence, there was a show in Chestertown, and Mr. Bowers' friends made a rally, and commenced to vindicate him; the result was some six or eight fights. On the 5th, which was last Monday, at the celebration, Richard Ivvison, Esq. made an attack on James Mansfield, ex-editor of the *Kent News*, and struck Mansfield with his cane, when the Bowers men made another rally, and before they stopped, knocked down twenty-five men, ran Samuel Baker and Isaac Perkins, two of the tar and feathering men, out of town—the officer refusing to act.

They say the pro-slavery men commenced it by taking the law in their own hands, and they may fight it out. Frisby Brown, one of the men Mr. Bowers held to bail, went to town on the 26th ult., to see the show. The Bowers men found he was in town, and got after him. He got into Dr. Sappington's carriage, and went some 16 or 17 miles on Easter Neck Island, and kept hid for two or three days. He has no slaves, and the Bowers men swear they will fix him yet. It is said by men that know, that at least three-quarters of the people are on Bowers' side; nearly all the laboring class or non-slaveholders, with a part of the slaveholders themselves, condemn it.—*Wilmington, (Del.) Republican.*