

NEGRO NEARLY LYNCHED

Almost Beaten and Shot to Death By Mob For Murderous Assault.

Pocomoke City, Md., June 13.—Ned Watson, colored, was, while in the hands of the authorities, beaten and shot almost to death by a mob. During the afternoon he had murderously assaulted his employer, Samuel S Barnes, near Kings Creek, Somerset county, with a single-tree, fracturing his skull. The assault is said to have followed a dispute about wages, and was witnessed by the victim's little son. The negro made his escape, but was captured here, and a mob, in an especially ugly mood because of a recent criminal assault by a negro upon two white women in this county, tried to take him from the officers and lynch him, but only succeeded in shooting and beating him nearly to death before he could be hustled to the safety of the jail.