

WHITE CAP CASES.

SENSATIONAL INDICTMENTS IN WOOD COUNTY
COURT.

Four Prominent Citizens Charged With Cruelly
Beating a Man and Wife in Order to
Shield a Grave Crime—Other
State News.

Special Telegram to the Register.

PALMER-BLUFF, W. VA., July 17.—
The grand jury last evening returned
indictments against H. C. Clegg, Wesley
Clegg, Lafayette Baldwin and S. H.
Deem for alleged participation in a Red
Men's outrage, in which James Ander-
son and his wife were the victims. An-
derson's story is that some time since
Lafe Baldwin went to his (Anderson's)
house during his absence and attempted,
by force and threats, to outrage the
woman (his wife); that he (Anderson),
arrived at home just in time to prevent
Baldwin from accomplishing the crime.
Baldwin, he says, escaped into the
woods. The next day Anderson went
to Rockport, the nearest town, to get
a warrant for Baldwin, but he was
deterred by threats, etc. On the night
following, he says the indicted men, with
others whom he did not recognize, went
to his home and took him and his wife
into the woods, when they gave him a
beating with hickories and then hung
him up until he was nearly dead, after
which they let him down and let him
go, after threatening to kill him if he
said in any complaints. The indictment
of the four men, who are all well known
and some of them of business standing,
has created quite a sensation. The
friends of the indicted men deny the
whole story.