

CAPT. KERR HOLDS THE FORT!

HIS REGIMENT RECONSIDERED AND A FULL CREW ALLOWED HIM.

The Hearing in the McAllister Case—Her Crew Held for the Grand Jury and the Boat Forfeited.

Commander Plowman of the oyster navy came over to Rock Hall on Friday last week after the meeting of the Board of Public Works and urged Capt. Kerr of the ship Helen Bangham to reconsider his resignation. The board at its meeting laid the matter over to hear the result of this interview, believing that they had found in Capt. Kerr an invaluable officer, and as the policy of the State was now really to carry out the law and quit the "monkeying" business, the service of men like Kerr could not be dispensed with. Not only this, but it was determined to support Kerr. Here is where the State has failed in our waters heretofore. Other brave commanders have been sacrificed by the piddling policy of the State.

Capt. Kerr agreed to withdraw his resignation upon condition that he should be allowed a full complement of ten men and plenty of arms and ammunition. This was agreed to and Commander Plowman at once placed the Bangham in condition for effective service. She is now offered as follows, four of the men belonging to the old crew: Captain, Charles Kerr, of Kent; mate, Jos. Horner, of Queen Anne's; seaman, George Akers, Jr. of Wicomico; Grant, Charles Watkins, Alfred Sisco, Grant, and James Booker, James Mandell, Millard Pierson, of Queen Anne's.

THE McALLISTER CASE.

The ten druggers, the crew of the captured vessel, R. J. McAllister, whose captain was shot in a skirmish with the Bangham, had a hearing last Monday before Justice Wm. H. Davis, of Rock Hall, in the court-house. Marion McK. Smith, Esq., conducted the prosecution for the State. There was no counsel for the defense. Much interest was taken in the case, the room being filled with people to hear the testimony. Captain Kerr and all of his crew were present and testified. For the defense the prisoners were called. Capt. Kerr, of the Bangham, swore that on the morning of the 21st of January he saw a fleet of thirty vessels on Swan Point bar and made for them, and after driving them off looked back and saw three parties coming out of Deep Hole, near Kent Island wharf. He turned about and met them, saying, "Good morning," to which they replied, "Good morning, 1-11. Let her have it, boys," and fired into him. The first shots were fired from the McAllister. He saw two men shooting alternately with what he supposed to be rifles, and he showed a ball which he took from the mast, and supposes that the captain and two men were killed. Finding the persons useless he came back and charged on the McAllister and found Capt. Kane shot in the hip and hand.

First Mate Ashley, of the Bangham, fully corroborated Capt. Kerr's testimony, and said the firing was first commenced from the deck of the McAllister, that the fight with the McAllister also took part in the firing. The seamen on the Bangham each were called separately and corroborated the testimony of Capt. Kerr and Mate Ashley. The mate on the McAllister, John McDonough, testified substantially as follows: "I was in company with two pungies and had anchored in Chester river, one night; saw the police sloop ahead of us as we went out, and when we neared her the pungies opened fire on the sloop with rifles and we tried to get out of the way to give them plenty of room. We were about one hundred yards from the Bangham at this time. The Bangham fired time until Capt. Kane was shot. He was at the tiller steering the boat when he was shot. He first complained that he was shot in the finger, and in about a second after he fell on the deck, saying, 'I'm shot.' He was struck by two different balls. We lowered our jib when told to do so. I heard no cries passed between the police boat and any one on our boat. Capt. Kane had no weapons on our boat. There were no guns or pistols on our boat. This I declare most positively.

Tariff Movement of the Congress.

The following resolutions adopted at the annual session of the Maryland State Congress were presented to each member of Congress from Maryland by Messrs R. S. Cole, C. L. Rogers and Edward Hall, the committee appointed by the State Congress for that purpose. They visited Washington on Tuesday and discharged that duty. It is time that great interest of Agriculture had received the consideration that their permanent importance demands. The resolutions are as follows:

Resolved, That we urge upon our Representatives in Congress the importance of such a revision of the present tariff laws as shall give to the farmers of the country the same protection and encouragement accorded to other industries, and to endeavor by every means in their power to lift the burdens resulting from the present intricate tariff laws from the shoulders of the oppressed farming interests of the country, and for the enactment of such laws as shall free the people from the evils resulting from monopolies, combines, trusts, &c., which rob and oppress the many in the interests of the few.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to our Representatives at the National Capital by a Committee of this Congress to urge their acceptance.

H. M. MURRY, MASTER, W. B. SANDS, SECRETARY.

EDESVILLE LOCALS.

The Farming Life.

Many of the farmers in and about this vicinity are making good use of the remarkable fine winter weather. Quite a number have done considerable work, that is usually done three months later, and I have known them to be glad even though for a continuation of so many fine days of bright sunshine and balmy breezes. One young farmer has been laboring of late to get me to recall the fact that I assisted in plowing sixty-five acres for coral territory; yes, you are right; but no; you are no gray hairs but my head, and I have a good suit too. The corn field is well remembered because I helped to thin it out and had such awful back-aches.

A Pleasant Afternoon.

The Young Peoples' Sociable met last week at Mr. J. Frank Wheatley's. The program was quite interesting and instructive. The president, Mr. L. J. Juddell, called the meeting to order in his usual business-like manner. Miss Eva Gresham, the secretary, then read the proceedings of the last meeting. Miss Eva is quite adept in this line. This was one of the largest meetings ever held, and the progress in the work is exceedingly gratifying.

What Enterprise Will Do.

Our mechanics, generally, say times are dull, and money is scarce, but Messrs. Greenwood & Staveley report plenty work. The reason for sleighs and cutters is somewhat sick or has the blues, and they are now taking orders for carriage painting, having several on hand already. They are also doing some papering, &c., for Mrs. A. M. Sutton and others. Good for Will and Hebron.

Personal, &c.

Miss Helen Burgess is improving her residence on Cedar avenue, by erecting a splendid portico. Then our friend and neighbor will outline us, and thus compel us to do as we ought to do to keep in the lead. Mrs. Emily Leary, widow of the late Rev. George Leary is quite ill with pneumonia, but at this writing is said to be somewhat improved. Her many relatives and friends deeply sympathize with her and are glad indeed to receive news of her convalescence. Her ministering care to neighbors on the morning of the 21st of January, Mr. and Mrs. Leary, one of her most cheering comforts.

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Crumpton and Vicinity Locals.

Mrs. Carey and Mr. Morris were located at Crumpton instead of Chesterville, in last week's items.

A New Postoffice.

A postoffice has been established at Smith's Corner, Queen Anne's county, on the road from Millington to Chestertown, about 2½ miles from Crumpton, with Mr. James T. McGinnis as postmaster. The name of the postoffice is McGinnis. While this will cut the Crumpton postoffice seriously, no doubt it will, nevertheless, be a great convenience to Double Creek.

A Lost Team.

One day last week a pair of young hogs, attached to a buggy, belonging to Mr. Charles Coppage, near Anderson's, Queen Anne's county, broke loose from a hitching post in Church Hill, while Mr. C. was at supper and disappeared without attracting the notice of any one. They traveled several miles and then turned into the lane of a colored farmer named Jefferson, who lived near Dudley's Church, who cared for the team until called for. Mr. C. spent several days in trying to look up his team but he found it, no person having noticed it leave Church Hill.

Religious Revival.

There has been much more interest in the revival services at the Crumpton M. E. Church this week, than heretofore. There have been several conversions during the week.

Improvements.

Bradley Brothers intend to enlarge their shops by building a new blacksmith shop, 20x25, back of their present shop. They expect to manufacture and keep on hand more new work, and need additional room.

Surgical Operation.

Dr. C. T. Cahoon, this week, removed an epithelial cancer from the hand of Mr. James W. Walls, who resides near Godwin's Mill, Queen Anne's county. The cancer was about the size of a silver quarter. The patient is doing well.

A Runaway.

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KENNEDEYVILLE LOCALS.

The Hog Cholera. The hog cholera is again playing havoc with the hogs in this vicinity. Some of the farmers have hauled out nearly their whole number. Others think they will burn theirs and thus have no trace of the disease upon their premises.

The Glee Club.

Some of the young men of this place have joined together and formed a glee club which meets once or twice during the week. So that we think that we can have some bright hopes of future singers who will make this burg lively with their beautiful songs.

Returned Home.

Miss Lillie Garey, eldest daughter of Mr. James H. Garey, has returned home from Giles county, South Western Virginia, where she has been for about nine months.

On Wednesday afternoon about half past two o'clock, a fire broke out in the store-house of Mr. Joseph E. Weer. It is supposed to have caught in the bedroom of Mr. Weer to the floor of the second story, and to have been caused by some defect in the chimney; from thence made its way to the roof. It burned the roof very badly, so much so that Mr. Weer says that he will be compelled to have a new roof. Otherwise it did very little damage. The damage would have been much more but for the timely assistance of the neighbors. The loss is fully covered by insurance in the Kent Mutual. DIED.

KENT CO. AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.

Annual Election of Officers.

CLUB ROOM, JAN. 14, 1889. The Kent County Agricultural Society held its annual meeting to-day, and elected the following officers: President, Wm. Penn Norris; Vice-President, Jas. M. J. Byron; Recording Secretary, Wm. B. Stephens; Corresponding Secretary, Henry T. Massey; Treasurer, Wm. J. Vannort; Librarian, A. S. Crawford; Auditing Committee, John Gale, John P. Nicholson and Samuel Vannort.

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A More Disgraceful Electoral Success.

"A more disgraceful electoral success at a presidential election was never effected in this country except the electoral steal of 1876, and those two great political crimes will descend to posterity as the two greatest electoral frauds that ever occurred in the country to disgrace its history.

NOT RECONCILED TO THE RESULT.

"For these reasons I can never be reconciled to the result of the last presidential election. I accept it as a matter of course, but I will not admit that I have always felt that a gigantic fraud, injurious to the national reputation and the public credit, had been committed by the republican leaders in their desperate reach for power and place.

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MEETING OF THE STATE ELECTORS.

A Plain Speech by Ex-Mayor Hodges

The eight electors chosen on the Democratic ticket in November met at noon on Monday in the State Senate chamber at Annapolis, and nominated and balloted for the national candidates. The electors were: At Large, James Hodges, of Baltimore city, and Henry Page, of Somerset county; first district, Wm. Scott Roberts, Queen Anne's county; second district, James G. Berret, Carroll county; third district, Willoughby N. Smith, Baltimore city; fourth district, Isaac Gorham Meale, Baltimore city; fifth district, Robert C. Combs, St. Mary's county; sixth district, Hattersly W. Tallott, Montgomery county.

UPON MOTION OF MR. ROBERTS, MR. HODGES WAS SELECTED TO NOMINATE THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

MR. HODGES SAID: "MR. CHAIRMAN—I have the honor to nominate Grover Cleveland, of New York, for President of the United States for the ensuing four years, commencing 4th of March, 1889. I feel of pleasure and regret. With pleasure because I believe that Grover Cleveland is in every way worthy to continue to fill the office of our candidate for the next four years. With regret because of the character of the party of judgment, for conscientious and conservative statesmanship, and for general adaptability for the exalted office which he fills he may be placed in the van in the best group of his predecessors, and he will stand there for the time to come. The democratic party will never be ashamed of him as the policy of the presidency in our hands will give him reason to pride that he was elected then to preside over the destinies of this great nation. Nor does the democratic party regret his last nomination; and as patriots let us hope that it will never have occasion to regret his recent defeat.

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