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TRAPPE MURDER MYSTERY.

Case Will Be Tried Before Court Next Week.

LYDIA MILLS' TESTIMONY.

Unless The Girl Will Again Make Her Confession The State Will Have A Difficult Task To Prove George Wright And Thomas Johns Guilty Of The Murder Of Columbus Nichols.

The most important case to be tried before the court, which will convene Monday morning, will be the Nichols murder case, and from present indications it will be a much muddled affair.

All sorts of theories have been advanced in regard to the murder but none of them are now entertained because of the fact that Lydia Mills, the girl whom Nichols went to see when he met his death, confessed twice as to the murder, and many incidents that transpired at the coroner's jury corborate her confession.

Although her confession to witnessing the murder, and implicating George Wright and Thomas Johns as being the murderers, she afterwards denied any knowledge of the crime, which denial left the State, whose witness she was, with hardly any evidence against Wright and Johns.

She was visited last week at the jail by an uncle and it is said that he came away with the impression that Lydia knew all about the murder, in spite of her denials.

At the inquest it was thoroughly developed from the manner of the prisoners that they knew something of the crime, as they were examined separately, and had no opportunity to confer with each other, and the testimony given in each case was entirely different and each witness told a story exactly opposite from the others. This made a bad impression on the Jury, and all attempts to find out where Nichols slept the Tuesday night preceding the murder proved fruitless.

Shortly after the murder Johns was seen with some money for which he refused to account. He spent some of it and gave a five dollar bill in payment. Nichols was known to have had thirty dollars with him when he went to Wright's house, and when the body was found it was devoid of clothing, and of course the money missing.

At the inquest it appeared that the parties interested in the matter were not even acquainted with each other, while in truth they had lived on the same farm for a year and were almost all the time together.

The Mills girl's testimony was corroborated by quite a number of circumstances testified by others than she had not heard prior to going on the witness stand.

An interesting circumstance is this: That the Monday night the Jury assembled she was twice before the Jury and at the second time she was placed on the stand she was going to tell all she knew of the crime, and that when she began to speak some one opened the window from the outside to listen and she started and said she was terribly frightened. She then refused to say anything about it.

The Thursday following she made a statement giving details of the murder and said that George Wright and Thomas Johns committed the murder. The next day she was taken before the Jury again and was cautioned to tell nothing but the truth, and she repeated the story she gave the day before, exactly.

She was then asked if she did not intend to tell all about the murder on the Monday previous when she was frightened by some one opening the window. She said "Yes," but that the men had threatened to kill her if she told anything and that the window scared her when it was opened.

She was then sent to jail as a State's witness until some one came to bail her out. Her father and uncle came up the next day (Saturday) to go her bail and in a talk with them she denied most emphatically all knowledge of the crime, thus refuting all her other statements that she knew all about the murder.

Her contradictory statements and strange unnatural manner led her father and uncle not to go her bail, and she has since been confined in the jail, where, no doubt, the suspected men have daily threatened her with death if she again told on them.

The case will be an interesting one, and unless the girl will again reveal all she knows, the State may be unable to prove anything against the men.

Commend The B. C. & A. Co.

The following resolutions were passed at the meeting of the county officers of the W. C. T. U.

WHEREAS the liquor traffic is the source of nine-tenths of the degradation and crime in our country, and

WHEREAS so many corporations are largely influenced by the patronage of those who favor this business and the profits accruing therefrom and

WHEREAS the Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic R. R. Co. has abolished the barrooms on the steamers plying between Baltimore and various parts of the peninsula be it

Resolved, That the W. C. T. U. of Talbot County do heartily commend the action of said company in abolishing the sale of intoxicating liquors on their lines.

II. That notice of our commendation be sent to the White Ribbon Herald and to the papers of Talbot County.

Awarded The Contract.

Mr. J. H. K. Shannahan, of this town has been awarded the contract to repair the artesian wells at the gasoline works of the Standard Oil Company at Baltimore. After finishing the work there Mr. Shannahan will go Farnhurst, near Wilmington to put in an eight inch artesian well with steam pump and fixtures for the state asylum located there.

Blotches And Pimples

indicate inactivity of the skin. They show that the pores are clogged and that poisonous refuse matter has been denied an egress. The accumulation of this matter under the skin shows in red lumps, blotches and possibly in pimples.

Foster's German Army and Navy Cure

softens the impeding matter, penetrates the pores and draws the poison out. All the time it is soothing the inflammation caused by the congested state, and finally leaves the skin smooth, clear, active and healthy. It is absolutely the best and most efficacious skin medicine in the world. Its action on the skin is perfectly in accord with science, but its curative effect is almost miraculous in its quickness and thoroughness.

It has cured innumerable stubborn cases of pimples, blotches, ring worm, tetter, eczema, dandruff, itch and salt rheum. It will cure the worst kind of itching piles.

50 cents. Druggists.

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FOSTER'S GERMAN ARMY AND NAVY CATARRH CURE cures catarrh, hay fever, cold in the head and all inflammation of the nasal passages. 50 cents.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES APPOINTED

The Board Appoints The Same Trustees With But Few Exceptions.

At their meeting on Tuesday the School Board appointed these school trustees for the various election and school districts of the county.

EASTON DISTRICT.

Easton—John Mason, John Satterfield, Dr. J. M. H. Bateman.

Peach Blossom—William Swift, William A. Pratt, Levin Schwaninger.

Dover Bridge Road—Alfred J. Wilson, Leonard S. Fleckenstein, R. Bascom Hardin.

Goldsborough's Neck—George F. Kinnamon, William Goldsborough, Charles H. Hardin.

Miles River Ferry—School closed until otherwise ordered by the Board.

Tunis Mills—Joseph J. Peregoy, John S. Redman, Charles F. Griffith.

Miles River Neck—Spurgeon M. Beckner, Francis E. Towers, R. H. James.

Kirkham—W. F. Brown, Charles G. Mullikin, Joseph T. Bartlett.

Leeds' Creek—Walter S. Kirby, Louis W. Trail, Dr. Julius A. Johnson.

ST. MICHAELS DISTRICT.

St. Michaels—George W. Tyler, Silas F. Lewis, Gustavus K. Benson.

Fox Neck—School closed until otherwise ordered by the Board.

Royal Oak—Charles E. Fairbank, Theodore J. Hall, Solomon S. Thompson.

Double Mills Road—A. H. Valliant, Richard B. Frampton, Lawrence A. Skinner.

Ferry Neck—James A. M. Denny, Joseph H. Newnam, Joseph A. Collison.

Bozman—James H. Sutton, S. Bruff Edgar, Gus F. Jones.

Newitt—Thomas C. Haddaway, J. Edwin Mortimer, T. Frank Haddaway.

TRAPPE DISTRICT.

Trappe—Silas A. Simpson, William S. Merrick, George M. Jenkins.

Oxford—James H. Willis. James Nichols, Charles F. Stewart.

Oxford Neck—Thomas A. Leonard, J. Henry Credner, samuel R. Harrison.

Hambleton—Perry W. Stewart, James H. Warner, Stephen E. Merrick.

Island Creek Neck—John K. Caulk, J. H. Caulk Kemp, James M. Leonard.

Little Neck—School closed until otherwise ordered by the Board.

Cambridge Ferry Neck—John W. Rice, John H. E. Dawson, Edward J. Kirby.

Bollingbroke—Samuel J. Griffin, George W. Dexter, William B. Ewing.

Upper Bambury—Barnett Parrott, Charles W. Wise, William N. Leonard.

Landing Neck—R. Arthur Blann, John R. Warner, Charles T. Griffin.

Bailey's Neck—Frank H. Johnston, F. Carroll Goldsborough, John M. Elliott.

Lower Bambury—J. Fred Foreman, McKnett, Charles Lyons, Samuel J. Merrick.

CHAPEL DISTRICT.

King's Creek—J. Phil Reese, Richard T. Morgan, R. H. Gannon.

Lewistown—James M. Wooters, Riley E. Farnsworth, John J. Reese.

Hillsboro—David H. Knotts, James L. Beauchamp, Richard E. Smith.

Upper Skipton—Samuel B. Skinner, Thomas Quimby, Nicholas S. Callahan.

Wye Landing—William C. Dudley, Elijah W. West, Christopher G. Lynch.

Longwood—Thomas J. Rowens, Frank M. Hills, Thomas Wade Thompson.

Three Bridges—John T. Trax, Samuel T. Love, Thomas Hopkins, jr.

Chapel—Edward C. Stoops, Edward W. Casson, William E. Roe.

Square Farm—John M. Willson, Lewis C. Smith, Daniel H. Cox.

Lower Skipton—School closed until otherwise ordered by the Board.

Corduroy—Dr. Chas. H. Rose, Dr. Clifford M. Steele, James Hopkins, jr.

Wye Mills—S. Wilson Hopkins, William G. Quimby, William D. Anthony.

BAY HUNDRED DISTRICT.

McDanieltown—James H. Caulk, G. Alpheus Wrightson, Joseph O. Kemp.

Wittman—Benjamin F. Sherwood, William S. Horney, Henry Wilson.

Sherwoodville—Frank G. Wrightson, John J. Howarth, Levi T. Harrison.

Upper Tilghman's Island—William F. May, John T. Harrison, William J. Jackson.

Lower Tilghman's Island—Perry N. Porter, James L. Spencer, Thomas E. Taylor.

Poplar Island—Thomas A. Sinclair, William Harrison, George E. Howarth.

Have Shrunk To Modest Proportions.

In the Maryland State Weather Bulletin Observer Shreve has this to say of the weather, and general outlook for the week ending Monday May 18th. He now thinks that the average peach growers can no longer afford to gamble with fate. "Hot week. Grass and wheat in excellent condition. Corn planting progressed well, but not finished. Considerable crimson clover being plowed under for corn and tomato planting. Have been surprised by a great shrinkage in the fruit prospect. Cherries, plums, pears, apples, and peaches have been thinned out to an alarming degree. As to peaches in Talbot county some orchards are injured but slightly, but in the majority seriously,and in some a complete collapse has occurred. Another week will determine the extent of damage. Orchards will soon shrink to modest proportions, and a large acreage of fertile land will be restored to mixed agriculture. Our average peach enthusiast can no longer afford to gamble with fate." HENRY SHREVE.

Sale of Valuable Easton Property.

The real estate of the late H. H. T. Councell was sold at public auction on the Court House Green, Tuesday afternoon. The property sold is of the best and most valuable in town, and was sold at very small figures. The Arlington house, corner Railroad Avenue and Harrison street was bought by Mr. Walter H. Thompson for $1,825, while the large dwelling and store on Washington St. adjoining Masonic Temple was bought by Gen. E. L. F. Hardcastle for $2,000.

The Arlington House was built for a boarding house about fifteen years ago and has since been used for that purpose. It is a splendid building,large and commodious,and the actual value of the place is greatly in excess of the price paid at the auction.

Tired, Weak, Nervous

Means impure blood, and overwork or too much strain on brain and body. The only way to cure is to feed the nerves on pure blood. Thousands of people certify that the best blood purifier, the best nerve tonic and strength builder is Hood's Sarsaparilla. What it has done for others it will also do for you—Hood's Cures.

Nervousness, loss of sleep, loss of appetite and general debility all disappear when Hood's Sarsaparilla is persistently taken, and strong nerves, sweet sleep, strong body, sharp appetite, and in a word, health and happiness follow the use of Hood's Sarsaparilla.

The strong point about Hood's Sarsaparilla is that they are permanent, because they start from the solid foundation of purified, vitalized and enriched blood.

Should be Commended.

Our Board of Town Commissioners are to be commended for their efforts to clean the city of all ashes,trash and garbage, and their offer to convey all this from the premises of individuals free,should meet with the hearty co-operation of all our people, as it has a bearing upon the health and good looks of the entire town, and there be a general clean ing up and hauling out.

New Building On Market Space

Mr. Alexander Fountain is clearing the vacant lot next door to the Avon Cycle Club headquarters on Market Space and will erect a brick building thereon. It will be a two story house, with a store room front on Market Space, and the upper and rear portion will be a dwelling house. The dwelling will front on West street. The new building wil be rented by Mr. Warrington.

Building A New House.

Mr. Harry Langsdale, is building a new house on the lot of the old house which stood next door to the Masonic Temple. The house will be a two story frame building, and when completed will make a decided improvement to that part of the town.

First Talbot Strawberries.

The first Talbot strawberries seen in Easton this season were on sale at Walter C. Hughes, Wednesday. Capt. S. C. Trippe of Royal Oak sent up six boxes and P. C. Benson also of Royal Oak, sent five boxes. They were not thoroughly ripened, but such as they were, were soon bought up.

Easton Base Ball Club.

The Easton Base Ball club will play a match game this afternoon with the Chapel nine, at their new ball grounds. The club has rented from Mr. G. E. Warrington the lot at the foot of Federal street, which they will put in proper shape for playing the national game.

Are you all tired out? Do you have that tired feeling or sick headache? You can be relieved of all by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

THEIR CLAIMS ARE NOT PAID.

B. & E. S. R. R. Case Decided Saturday.

EASTONIANS ARE LEFT OUT.

Judge Morris of The United State's Circuit Court Would Not Allow Any Of The Claims Of Talbot Parties.—No Appeal Is Likely To Be Taken Other Items Of Local Interest.

A number of Easton and Talbot gentlemen have reason to feel regret at the decision of the case in which they had claims against the Baltimore & Eastern Shore Railroad.

Among those interested to the extent of snug sums of money are Col. Edw. Roberts, J. H. K. Shannahan, Willis Flowers, W. W. Tunis Lumber Company and Shannahan & Wrightson Hardware Company.

The exceptions to the master's report in the case of the Scranton Steel Company and other complaints against the Baltimore and Eastern Shore Railroad have been decided in an opinion filed by Judge Morris in United States Circuit Court.

Questions as to the claims of creditors against the railroad and as to their respective rank and priority were raised by the exceptions.

Claims for current operating expenses, wages, supplies, and repairs incurred within six months prior to the receivership, the court holds, should be paid out of the receiver's earnings, but must now be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of the railroad, as these earnings were diverted to the betterment of the railroad property.

These claims as well as certain lien claims which were allowed priority over the mortgage of the bondholders, are specifically set forth in the opinion. All other claims are disallowed.

On April 11th, 1891, Mr. Willard Thomson was appointed receiver for the railroad, which was sold for $400,000 on the 18th of last July for the benefit of a reorganization, in which the bondholders were represented.

A large number of persons in Talbot county filed exceptions after the sale was made, claiming that their bills should have preference over the mortgage and bondholders.

Wm. R. Martin represented the cause of the above named gentlemen and corporation in person before the court and at the time Mr. Martin said he was very hopeful that their claims would be settled.

It was at one time thought that the claims would be paid, with about forty cents on the dollar, but the decision of Judge Morris will no doubt effectually settle the matter for good.

The claims of the Talbot people against the road, amount to several thousand dollars,but all hope of her recovering one penny has vanished.

MEMORIAL DAY PREPARATIONS

Commander Coburn Issues His Annual Address To Hick's Post And the Public.

Hick's Post, G. A. R., is now making elaborate preparations for Memorial Day, and in a few days will make public the name of the speaker of the day.

Commander Coburn gives below, which is published exclusively in the GAZETTE, some interesting notes, regarding the day and service.

"The annual observance of May 30th as Memorial Day by the G. A. R., has become so general that an appeal to the public to join us on that occasion is hardly necessary, yet is generally expected, and as we desire our services this year shall equal at least those of the past, a cordial invitation is extended to the fourth year in succession with us in honoring the memory of those who fell during the dark days of the rebellion, took up arms in defence of the Union and who died in its defence, or have since fallen by the wayside.

Comrades this year decorating with flowers the graves of our dead is looked for. We ask by every comrade of the G. A. R., as the most pleasant duty of the year though the duties are sad, and we hope that every member of Hick's Post will willingly devote the one day in each year in honoring the memory of our departed comrades and illustrate to the rising generation that the brave deeds and sacrifices of these comrades have not been forgotten and that our sons and daughters may also learn to love our country and its flag.

"Attendance at divine service at some church on the Sabbath before memorial day forms a part of these observances and Hick's Post has accepted an invitation from Rev. W. E. Avery, Wilson Memorial church, Ebenezer M. E. Church on Sunday, May 26. Former friends have always been liberal in their donations of flowers, and we believe that it is only necessary to remind them that we need them to assure for us the same liberality that has been shown us in the past. The Post room will be open on May 30 from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. for the reception of flowers. Where more convenient they can be left at the home of the Commander, or will be sent for by sending word to some officer of the Post.

"Wherever it can be done we hope that those who have the nation's flag will display it at half mast.

"Further notice will be given in next week paper of the hour and place of the parade."

THOS. H COBURN, Commander.

SOMEWHAT PERSONAL

The Names of Visitors Here and at Other Points.

Mrs. J. W. Murphy left Easton yesterday to spend the summer in Asbury Park.

Mrs. W. E. Avery and daughter, Martha returned on Tuesday to their home in Easton.

Mrs. Anna K. Dawson, of Philadelpia, and Miss Tilghman, of Baltimore, are visiting at Dr. J. C. Earle's, Brooklets.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin B. Morris, of Bluefield, W. Va., have been on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Leonard, Island Creek Neck.

Joseph A. Ross, son of Anthony P. Ross, of Island Creek Neck, led his class at the last examination of the Maryland University.

Mrs. John W. Glanville has returned home after spending the winter with her daughter The Arlington house, corner Railroad Avenue and Harrison street was bought by Mr. Walter H. Thompson for $1.825, while the large dwelling and store on Washington St. adjoining Masonic Temple was bought by Gen. E. L. F. Hardcastle for $2.000.

Mrs. William T. Golt, Queen Anne's county.

Mr. T. W. Montague, of Philadelphia, spent a few days of last week with his parents at Poplar Grove, on his way home from the South.

S. T. Carter, of Reading, Pa., spent Saturday and Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Benson Blake and his mother, Mrs. Carter, at the Hotel Avon.

Capt. Jno. S. Madigan, of the revenue steamer Crawford, was in Easton on Tuesday. Capt. and Mrs. Madigan are guests of George C. Moore.

C. H. Strickland, representing the Union Central Life Insurance Co., of Cincinnati, Ohio, is making his headquarters at Hotel Avon for a few weeks.

G. H. Morris has been appointed Express messenger on the Adams Express Company. His run will be between Norfolk and Jersey City, on the N. Y. P. & N.

We are sorry to learn that the Rev. F. T. Little, pastor of Starr Church, is having some temporary throat trouble; but for the present has been advised him to discontinue pulpit service.—Methodist Protestant.

The Rev. James A. Mitchell, rector of St. Paul's, Centreville, was in Easton on Friday last week, on his way home from the meeting of the Middle Convocation in Church Creek, Dorchester County.

If you wish a corn fertilizer that will bring you "big" returns don't fail to see Hubbard & Bro. before placing your order. This well known firm make a special goods for this crop which is guaranteed to pay the user. Accommodating terms, low prices and good goods is the motto of Hubbard & Bro.

STOCKHOLDER'S MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the D. & C. R. R. Held in Easton—Entertained at "The Anchorage."

The stockholders of the D. & C. R. R. met in Easton on Wednesday at 11 o'clock, and elected these officers and directors:

President—George B. Roberts.

Secretary—Robert H. Groff.

Treasurer—Robert W. Smith.

Directors—George B. Roberts, David J. Cummins, Henry D. Welsh, D. S. Newhall, Geo. V. Massey, Oswald Tilghman, John C. Sims, John Cassels, Francis E. Waters.

After the meeting was adjourned the visitors were entertained at the Anchorage, the country seat of Chas. A. Chipley, Ass't. Gen. Freight agent of the Penn. R. R., where a royal dinner prepared by Mr. Chipley's caterer was served.

Among the invited guests in addition to the board of directors were Frank D. Howells, Freight Claim Agent; J. D. Cassedy, of the relief department; Mr. Dickey, treasurers office; J. B. Thayer, Jr., Asst. Gen. Freight Agent; E. G. Dixon, Division Freight Agent, N. Y. Division; R. H. Groff Secy. D. & C.; Town Commissioner W. E. Clark, of Easton; Col. Tilghman; Dr. E. R. Trippe; Charles R. Wooters; R. F. Parlett; Col. Lloyd; Col. Johnson; Col. F. C. Goldsborough and Capt. Morris.

Everybody present did real justice to Mr. Chipley's Royal "set out" prepared especially for the inner-man. At 4 o'clock the guests were driven back to the depot, where a special train was in waiting for the Philadelphia Contingent. They were accompanied as far as Clayton by Col. Tilghman, Dr. Trippe and Commissioner Clark.

Sad Death At St. Michaels.

Mrs. Olivia Fairbank, of St. Michaels, died early Tuesday morning at her home. She was only sick twenty four hours, and had forty spasms in one hour, the last of which caused her death. She was the daughter of Saml. Baynard and much loved wherever she was known. An earnest worker in the M. E. Church, and connected with all the charitable institutions, she will be greatly missed.

THE ANTI-GORMASISTS MEET.

Steps Taken To Perpetuate The Work in The State. Committees Appointed

The Anti-Gormanist Democratic Association of Talbot county held another meeting in Easton on Tuesday. The meeting was attended by nearly a hundred during the session, and much business was transacted. A committee of fifteen, three from each district were appointed as follows:

EASTON DISTRICT.—Col. Edw. Lloyd, Gen. E. L. F. Hardcastle, J. A. Barwick.

TRAPPE DISTRICT:—J. H. C. Kemp, J. R. Sullivan, Capt. W. H. Haddaway.

ST. MICHAELS DISTRICT:—S. J. Slater, Ed. P. Sparks, W. T. Harrison, Jr.

CHAPEL DISTRICT:—W. B. Dulin, F. M. Willis, Lewis C. Smith.

BAY HUNDRED DISTRICT:—Jacob Gibson, G. A. Cummins, Chas. P. Harrison.

From this general committee an executive committee of five, one from each district was appointed: Col. Ed. Lloyd, J. H. C. Kemp, W. B. Dulin, Sam'l J. Slater, Jacob Gibson.

It was decided by the association to hold meetings every Tuesday.

At request of a number of Democrats from other counties the question of extending the work begun by this association throughout the State was reported to the following committee:

Col. Goldsborough, Dr. Chas. Tilghman, Gen. Hardcastle, W. D. J. Morris. This committee reported the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The address issued by the anti-Gorman Democratic Association of Talbot county, has been favorably received by democrats throughout the State of Maryland; at the suggestion of prominent democrats of other counties and city of Baltimore, we invite correspondence, looking to the formation of a state organization for the purpose of co-operation in furthering and perpetuating democratic principles of government for the people, of the people and by the people.

The association proposes to reach the people throughout the State through the county and city press. Nothing has been definitely decided on about the mass meeting.

SOLD WHISKY ON THE SLY.

John Horseman, Colored; Arrested and Tried For Violating The Local Option Law.

A colored man, named John Horseman, was arrested on Saturday and tried before Justice Mason for selling whisky.

The arrest and trial brought out quite a number of facts that are interesting.

There are several men in this town who have made it a regular business to sell whisky, and are as agents for some other person, who they claim take orders for the stuff and send to Baltimore for it.

But this is merely a blind as a quantity is always kept on hand. The man Horseman was arrested for selling it to a number of white people, and at the trial it was shown that he was acting as a go-between for Georgiana Williams, against whom there are a number of cases to be tried at the coming term of court. The woman is now out on bail for selling whisky in this way.

She has four or five agents who take orders for her and get the stuff at her house.

The woman is the wife of Sam Williams, one of the most respected colored men in town, and it was during his absence at work that the whisky was sold, and he knew nothing of it until the arrests were made.

The case was carried to court.

The May Term Of Court.

The May term of the Circuit Court for Talbot county will be called Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

The term is likely to be a lengthy one as there are many important cases to come up, that may consume considerable time.

The docket up to the hour of going to press is as follows: Cases coming up from the Grand Jury 48; Appeals 24; Civil Trials 98; Criminal Trials 18; Civil Appearances 27. The number of civil appearances will likely be increased by Monday morning. It has been reported as stated in the GAZETTE last week, that the grand jury will be called on to investigate quite a number of alleged violations of the local option law. There will also be several violations of the oyster law to come before the court, but they will most likely be laid over until the November term.

Following are the jurors as drawn by Judge Stump at the February term.

	DISTRICT.
John W. Beckwith,	Jerv's Hall,
Frank H. Johnston,	Thomas C. Nicols,
Ezekiel Cohran,	Robert E. Dixon,
Frank C. Mason,	H. H. Langsdale,
M. T. C. Earle,	Charles F. Eastman,
Wm. E. Shannahan,	Samuel Golding,
Harrison R. Collins,	Alfred J. Wilson,
Matt. J. Flowers,	Wm. C. Smith.—16.
	ST. MICHAELS DISTRICT.
Denny Williams,	Thomas B. Baker,
William H. Valliant,	Thomas F. Bridges,
Geo. Thos. Graham,	William Cain,
Joseph H. Newnam,	Harmon K. George,
Samuel A. Harper.	Thos. Wayman.—16.
	TRAPPE DISTRICT.
Oliver S. Gallup,	William H. Myers,
W. J. Harper,	James H. Warner.—6.
Charles T. Griffin,	
	CHAPEL DISTRICT.
John M. Beaven,	W. Edward Ayers,
Elijah W. West,	Lewis C. Smith,
Hooper W. Warner,	Wm. B. Dulin,
Joseph Goldsborough,	Wm. G. Quimby,
Thomas Quimby,	Alga Smith.—16.
	BAY HUNDRED DISTRICT.
John T. Harrison of J.,	Joseph Lowe,
John T. Howeth,	George W. Frampton,
Joseph S. Harrison,	Joshua G. Wrightson,
Frank J. Wrightson,	—7.

A FORMER RESIDENT HEARD FROM.

Regrets Expressed on the Death of R. H. T Councell.—Thinks the GAZETTE'S Readears fortunate.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—After six week's absence from Talbot, where seven year's residence made us feel at home, we are pleased at the prospect of hearing from old friends through the columns of the GAZETTE and of occasionally (to those who are wise enough to read the paper) communicating how we are faring in a new situation. This is the newspaper age; it does for us, even in social acquaintance, what the more tedious individual correspondence cannot do. A time for the work of the journalist rather than the book-writer; for the printed, to aid the spoken sermon or address; the news-gatherer brings us into close immediate fellowship with our kind everywhere; the victories of reform are made by the pen rather than by the bayonet point. It is no longer debatable, as we heard it in our boyhood, that "the pen is mightier than the sword."

To our friends of Talbot and of Easton, Greeting:—Has anything of late years truly celebrated the sixth Anniversary of their Central organization. We did here, with interesting essays by the young people; "A Retrospect"; "The Epworth Wheel"; "The Epworth League in Factor"; "Can You Help?" "In the year 1910" and other selections literary and musical. This League is alive and anticipates the Convention at St. Michael's a fortnight hence by its chosen delegates.

Your correspondent, with three churches, Sunday Schools, classes and Epworth and prayer service is busy, without naming some voluntary labor of a literary sort lately taken, but how much better it is to wear than to rust these busy times!

We feel pleased at the honor paid our friend Mr. N. E. Clark in his election as Town Commissioner.

The pleasing news of good things done is overcast by the shadow on the former earthly home of our old and true friend R. H. T. Councell.

No nobler, better man we believe has it been our privilege to know. The regret felt is that we could not know him more intimately and helpfully in his later days of affliction.

Wishing the GAZETTE and its press contemporaries of Easton a happy influence for every good work and a year of business prosperity, I am yours hopefully,

J. M. LINDALE,

Suddlersville, Md., May 14, 1895.

CHURCH CHIMES.

Interesting Items Concerning Our Different Churches.

At Calvary M. P. Church tomorrow, preaching services by the pastor, Rev W. M. Foisal. Morning Subject: "Struggles In The Sea." Evening subject, "Coming Into Port."

At Ebenezer M. E. Church, Rev. Dr. W. E. Avery, will preach tomorrow morning on "An Ideal Church," and in the evening on, "Self Surrender."

Next Sunday, 5th Sunday after Easter, High Mass and Sermon at 11 a. m.; Sunday School 2 p. m.; Vespers, Sermon and Benediction at 8 p. m.; Morning Subject, "Why is it that God sometimes does not grant our petitions;" Evening Subject, "Month of May." Thursday Feast of the Ascension; Masses at 6.30 and 10 a. m.; Evening Services at 8 p. m.

The ladies of Longwoods Baptist Church, will hold a package party and ice cream and strawberry supper in the grove at the church on the evenings of May 31 and June 1. All are cordially invited. They will hold their annual festival August 30 and 31.

The ladies of Calvary M. P. Church will have suppers on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings next the 21st and 22nd, in the basement of their church. Supper from 6 to 9 p. m. Price 25 cents.

Body Of A White Man Found.

The body of a white man five feet six inches high, with dark pants, light colored Kersey coat, and russet shoes, was found on the shore of Bollingbroke Creek, near the residence of Joseph Barnes, on Sunday. The body was very much decomposed, and after being viewed on Monday morning by B. S. Bishop, acting Coroner, and Capt. George M. Jenkins, and Mr. Joseph Barnes, an inquest was deemed unnecessary and the body was buried by G. W. Schuyler and J. E. Merrick near where it was found.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Held In Assembly Hall In The School-Building.

THURSDAY, JUNE THE 27.

Four Graduates In The Class Of '95.—For The First Time In Many Years The Commencement Exercises Are To Be Held In The High School Dr. W. E Avery Will Make The Address.

For the first time in quite a number of years the annual commencement of the Easton High School will be held this year in the school building.

The old school building was too small and cramped for such occasions as the commencements have now grown to be, there being no room large enough to even seat all of the scholars.

The event this year promises to be a most attractive one, and, as it will inugurate the custom of having the commencement exercises in the school building, will no doubt be doubly welcomed.

The exercises this year will be held in Assembly Hall, on the north side of the building. This is a large, airy room of twenty-six by seventy-seven feet dimensions, and is capable of seating almost as many as the Opera House, baring the gallery.

The commencement will take place Thursday, June 27th, at eleven o'clock in the morning. The graduates are Miss Maude Collins, Miss Fannabel Walker, Miss Rosalie covey and Mr. Leroy Lane.

The address to the graduates will be made by Dr. W. E. Avery, pastor of Ebenezer M. E. Church, and the presentation of diplomas will be made by Prof. Chaplain.

Miss Daisy Welby has charge of the musical feature of the exercises, and, as in former years, will make it a perfect success. The following programme of music has been selected and is now being rehearsed: "Rejoice in the Lord," "The Lord's Prayer," "Yachting Glee," "Before the Sun awakes the Morn," "Let the Hills and Vales Resound," "Morning is Nigh," "Once More Before We Part."

The preparations that are now being made point to a most successful commencement.

Cycle Club News.

R. Harry Patchett won the road race,given by the Avon Cycle Club of Easton, on Wednesday afternoon. The course was from Miles River Bridge to the Western limits of the town, a distance of three miles. Mr. Patchett's time was seven minutes and twenty nine seconds.

The Avon Cycle Club has purchased a light weight Rambler tandem, which is expected to arrive in a short time. The tandem will be used only for racing and training purposes.

The Club has decided to hold their annual garden party on the evenings of June 5th and 6th in the Market House. On the evening of the 5th a decorative bicycle parade, such as has been given the past two years, will be given by the Club. Captain Patchett is working to make this parade the most elaborate ever seen in Easton.

TROUBLE WITH THE CHOIR.

Dr. J. A. B. Wilson. Again Before The Public, This Time It is Trouble With The Church Choir.

The Rev. J. A. B. Wilson, who was stationed in Easton for a short time about three years ago, and who is now about entering upon his fourth year as pastor of one of the largest Methodist churches in New York city —the Eighteenth St. church—has again been brought before the public.

This time it is trouble with his church choir and last Sunday the organist and most of the members of the choir walked out of the organ loft.

The organist says Dr. Wilson wrote him several lines, in which he said that their conduct was far from what it should be, and that the offending parties would do well to resign. Since the pastor penned that epistle the white-winged dove of peace has ceased to circle over the pulpit and the loft that is immediately behind. The breach widened until open hostilities culminated in the directors and the singers laying down the hymn books. Two of the choir members are sons of trustees, and one young woman is the daughter of a trustee.

Dr. Wilson, when spoken to by a reporter on the subject, refused to go into the matter then, saying that the trouble was past. Trustee E. B. Stavey said that one of Dr. Wilson's reasons for forcing matters to an issue was that the organist was not a member of the church and did not profess any religion, and that it would be better to have a Christian at the organ.

The dismissed organist shows a letter from the pastor in which he says:

"There is one thing which I must insist on, namely, that better order be maintained in the choir during service. Complaints come of conduct last Sunday, and not from captious, complaining people either. It is a frequent complaint that the conduct of persons in the choir—who they are I do not say is such as to detract attention, and that often in the points of the greatest solemnity the interest is interrupted by the indecorum. I am both mortified and disappointed at what I have been compelled to hear weekly for several months past."

Talbot Institutions.

Dr. William Lee, secretary of the State Lunacy commission, finished the work connected with his visit to Talbot county on Wednesday. He found everything in regard to the county jail and almshouse in excellent condition and speaks in the highest terms of the officials of those institutions.

Royal Oak Items.

Misses Ada and Edith Benford, of New York, are visiting their brother, Rev. Wm.H. Benford, at the M. E. Parsonage.

On Wednesday evening a very jolly Masque Social was given by the Epworth League of the M. E. Church at the residence of Mrs. Armania Boley. Prizes were awarded to the lady and gentleman most completely disguised. They were Mrs. Frank Fairbank, a phantom and Mr. Frank Marshal, Topsy. Miss Manie E. Duke and Mr. Albert B. Duke received the booby prizes.

Mrs. Elizabeth Morris, of Odessa, Del., is spending a few weeks with Mrs. A. M. C. Moore.

Two more of our young men have departed from the monotomy of our country life to seek their fortunes in the outside world. Mr. Morris Newnam to Baltimore, and Mr. Geo. Duke to Tuckahoe. We wish them success.

POLITICS IN TRAPPE.

Political Notes And Other Items From Our Enterprising Sister town.

The political pot is beginning to bubble,and the leaders of the two parties can be seen almost any day in pairs or groups earnestly discussing the situation and mapping out plans for the coming campaign. The Republicans evince more than their usual interest at this early day, and, with a united party, free from factional quarrels, propose to go into the campaign with plenty of vim and never let up until the polls are closed on November 5. Very few names have yet been mentioned for places on the ticket. Mr. W. T. H. Seymour has been spoken of for the sheriffalty and Wm. P. Sewell for commissioner. Among the Democrats we hear the names of R. R. Butler, A. E. Welsh and Jas. Bartlett for the commissionership and Chas. F. Willis for sheriff. No one, so far as we have heard has been mentioned for places on the legislative ticket.

Dr. Lee, of the State Lunacy Commission, was the guest of Wm. S. Merrick this week. He paid his annual visit to the alms house while here.

The Pearl Gatherers are considering the question of holding a strawberry festival on the church green at an early date.

Presiding Elder, J. E. Armstrong preached at the M. E. Church, South, last Sunday morning and evening.

Dr. Thos. Greenly of Kentucky, was the guest of Dr. T. W. Greenly this week.

Mr. Edgar Brattan, of Snow Hill, has accepted a position in Mrs. Kemp's drug store. He succeeds Mr. B. H. Craig, who will, we understand, engage in the manufacture of medicines here.

The scholars of the M. E. Sunday School are rehearsing for their Children's Day exercises which will be held the first Sunday in June.

The body of a man supposed to have been drowned, was found on the shore by Mr. Jos. Barnes on Sunday. It was so badly decomposed that it was impossible to tell whether he was white or colored. A book containing the address of several parties in Wilmington and Cambridge was found in his pocket. These parties have been communicated with Magistrate Highly, acting as coroner, examined the body and, deeming an inquest unnecessary, ordered it buried.

A strolling foreigner with a bagpipe, was in town this week, catching up the stray pennies. The music was so mournful and dry, that someone suggested that it would be very appropriate for a prohibition meeting.

Mr. Geo. E. Frazer, representing the Improved Order Heptasophs, is in town this week.

The election for town commissioners is usually a quiet affair here, but it promises to be infused with new life this year by the appearance of the tickets in the field. Politics will not enter into the fight. Some opposition to the present board has arisen lately among members of both parties and a fight will be made to defeat them. We predict, however, that a majority of them will be chosen to serve another term.

OUTLOOK FOR FRUIT.

It Is Not Very Promising In Maryland and Delaware. Peaches Will Be Scarce.

Mr. L. S. Fleckenstein told a GAZETTE reporter that he would have no peaches at all this year and also only a very few of certain varieties of apples. Strawberries with him are but slightly damaged. He says that he will plow up his orchard this coming winter.

Ex-Comptroller Frank Turner has made an examination of his peach orchard and says that his crop, especially the yellow variety, is very badly damaged. He found the live buds about one in fifty.

Mr. Sol Pippin says he can scarcely find a live bud. The orchard showed a large bloom but the young fruit was injured by the long rains and what that did not do, cold weather of Monday finished.

While many admit that much of the young fruit has been killed, yet they express their belief that a fair crop still remains.

The Baltimore Herald of Wednesday, this week, says:

Much interest as to the Maryland fruit crop is felt among Baltimorans. The unusual weather of the past few weeks has encouraged not only