Kent News.

CHESTERTOWN, - AUG. 29, 1891

Harvest Home Celebration.

A large congregation filled the house to greet the harvest home celebration in the Kennedyville, M. P. Church last Sunday morning. The church was artistically decorated with the fruits of the season. On each pillar of the pulpit recess stood a shock of corn twelve feet high. At each corner of the pulpit platform stood a shock of wheat. Between the pulpit stand and the wheat on one side was a basket of peaches, on the other side a basket of the handsomest apples we have ever seen. Directly in front of the pulpit and reaching from the floor to the top of the pulpit desk was an embankment of beautiful pot plants.

The morning service opened with a voluntary by the choir, "Awake awake, with joyful heart and voice." Rev. F. T. Little, Starr Church, Baltimore, preached an eloquent sermon from Psalm, 19—16. It was an elegant exposition of the spirit of the occasion. At the close of the sermon the pastor, Rev. Q. L. Morrow, announced that the congregation would be given an opportunity to show their gratitude in a practical way in subscribing toward the liquidation of the parsonage debt, $375. Rev. F. T. Little and the pastor proved equal to the occasion and soon secured $264.

At 3 P. M. another large congregation greeted Rev. D. L. Greenfield and listened to an able and eloquent discourse from Ecclesiastes 7—4. One hundred dollars were added to the amount of the morning.

At 8 P. M., Rev. S. B. Treadway preached a masterly sermon upon "The heavenly inheritance" and the balance of the debt was secured in a few moments and all went home happy because of the day.

The singing at each service did great credit to the choir of the church. W. B. Melvin director and Miss Blanche McKnett organist. The day has become a prominent part of the history of the church.

Death of James U. Coleman.

Capt. James U. Coleman, one of the oldest citizens of Chestertown, died at his residence on Front street last Sunday morning. His age was 72 years, 10 days. He had been quite feeble for a year or more and finally suffered a stroke of paralysis. Capt. Coleman was born in Chestertown, where he passed his early life, but moved to Rock Hall and lived there some years, returning to Chestertown in 1871, and has since resided here and engaged in his business of bricklaying and plastering. He was a member of the M. E. Church in Chestertown, at the time of his death, and was highly esteemed for his warm Christian piety. He was a man of marked individuality and maintained his own views of men and things in the face of all opposition. He prided himself in his Democracy and never deserted its flag; he was also a consistent temperance man. Funeral services were held at his late residence on Tuesday morning, conducted by Rev. D. L. Greenfield, in the absence of Rev. Mr. Watkins, and the remains were interred in Chester Cemetery—the following gentlemen serving as pall-bearers: Samuel C. Shuster, T. W. Russell, Samuel Vannort, James A. Shaw, Dr. J. T. Twilley, S. Frank Smith. The deceased leaves six children, as follows: Isaiah, James W., William B., S. Jackson, Mrs. Wallis Maslin and Mrs. Wm. Pennell.

Mr. William B. Naylor living on the farm of Mr. Edward Hurlock, near Millington, died suddenly of apoplexy on Saturday morning about two o'clock. Mr. Naylor had been out driving in the afternoon, and returned about dusk. After supper he removed his coat and had seated himself and was filling his pipe when he was without a moment's warning rendered helpless and unconscious, and died at the hour mentioned. He leaves a widow and four children, viz.: Mrs. Harry Hyland, Chestertown, Mrs. John Warren, Delaware City, William and John Naylor. He was a good citizen and an honest man. He never was heard to complain of the weather.

Transfers of Real Estate.

The following transfers of real estate by deed have been recorded by Dr. Sam'l Beck, clerk of the circuit court for Kent county during August: Dr. Joshua L. Dulaney and wife to Theodore Dempsey, lots or parcels of land situate and lying on the western side of the road leading from Georgetown to Galena; consideration $3000. Wm. M. Slay, trustee to Sarah Scotten, tract or parcel of land known as "Hynson's Desire," situate and lying in the second election district; consideration, the premises and $1.00. John T. Stricklning and wife to Sarah Lively, tract or parcel of land in the second district, lying in Morgan's Creek Neck; consideration $90. Wm. C. Cleaver and wife to John W. Corey, tract of land in third district, lying on the public road leading from Chestertown through the village of Fairlee to Buck Neck; consideration $6,000. Mary G. Young to Arthur Urie, parcel of land in the fifth district on the road leading from Rock Hall to Deep Landing; consideration $30. Wm. A. Whitaker and wife to James H. Hambilton, lot of land lying on the northern side of the road leading from Galena to Locust Grove, a part of the "Davis Hill" tract; consideration $30. Mary G. Young to James T. Thompson, parcel of land in fifth district; consideration $78. John D. Urie, trustee to Joseph B. Hossinger, lot or parcel of land adjoining the village of Still Pond; consideration, the premises and $1.00.

Magistrates' Court.

Esquire Johnson meted out justice to quite a number Monday morning and they all appeared before him on a charge of drunkenness. Whiskey seems to be easily procured and the time is rapidly approaching when justice will be done to the dealer in intoxicating liquor. There is a point where patience ceases to be a virtue. Officer Kelley has a wide territory to keep quiet and during busy seasons like the present is kept continually on the go while his assistant, Mr. Joiner, has his hands full. Mitchell Wood, James T. Parrott, Daniel McNulty, Daniel Freeman, Edw. Hayes, James Gorman, Joseph Murray, John Thompson, all white, and William Brown, colored, were placed in jail Saturday and Sunday for drunkenness by Esquire Johnson.

Mid-Summer Marriages.

The following marriage licenses have been issued by the clerk of the circuit court for Kent county during the present month: To white couples—William Henry Biddle and Maggie Fortiner; John Wm. Newton and Maggie Bramble. Colored couples—Robert Palmer and Ann Elizabeth Caulk; Robert Rozier and Hallie Reed; Henry Shepperd and Carrie Gorden; William H. Wickes and Sallie Harris; Thomas Jefferson and Annie Houston.

"PERSONAL POLITICS" continues in Cecil. Mr. George R. Ash, editor of the Cecil *Democrat* charges that Albert Constable, Esq., is supporting Smith, the republican candidate for clerk in Cecil. On Saturday last Mr. Constable visited the *Democrat* office and took Mr. Ash to task, but there was no blood shed.

NEW BOAT.—Mr. Alpheus L. Wilson, of Piney Neck, has built himself a new boat and is ready for oysters. His boat certainly looks nice.

Crosby Locals.

We understand that after considerable persuasion our friend Joseph Kendall, of Rock Hall, has permitted his friends to use his name at the coming Republican convention, and no doubt he will be the candidate for the legislature, but we feel quite sure T. Romie Strong has been the people's friend too long, and under various circumstances for them to have any fear as to his ability, or desire for the greatest benefit that will reach the larger mass of our laboring people, and that is the class that is pushing him to the front. At any rate that is the way the people of Piney Neck think.

Mr. E. H. Strong will start his distillery in a few days manufacturing peach brandy. There is no doubt but Edgar thoroughly understands this business and he manufactures some of the finest made.

Al made many friends while with us and the boys miss him, but when he comes down next Christmas for a little ducking trip we hope he will have a better time.

Again the Rock Hall base ball club cleared up the Piney Neck boys by a score of 9 to 3, although our boys had two good players from the Rock Hall team and one from Queenstown's nine to help them out. To-day they play the final game.

We believe Piney Neck can take the lead in *fine* peaches and as for *quantity* a walk through Messrs. T. R. Strong E. H. Strong and T. A. Hudson's orchards will convince one that is the garden spot for peaches, and as for flavor, oh my!

Our oystermen are all hurry and bustle getting ready for the first of September when their harvest begins. Fishing was a failure this month and seine hauling hardly paid expenses.

Mr. Romie Crouch has nearly completed his new house and when he has finished it he will have a nice comfortable home. May he and his pleasant little wife live long to enjoy it.

Mr. W. H. Frazier's little boy is still very ill with malaria fever but under our esteemed Dr. Fisher's hands we have no doubt he will pull through, we hope so, and Bill has our sympathy.

The Misses Boyce, of Washington, who have been visiting their aunt, Mrs. Vachel Burgess, left for their home on Monday last and the tears that Fred and Stump shed were enough to run a mill, boys! boys! don't take it so hard, time heals all things.

Mrs. E. H. Leaverton has returned from a two month's trip in Harford county, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

Mr. B. Blackiston, wife and children, of Peidmont, W. Va., that have been visiting Mr. W. S. Maslin for some time started for home to-day.

Miss Mattie, daughter of B. B. Adkinson, of Baltimore, is visiting Misses Anna and Mamie Strong.

Mrs. E. D. Philips, of Baltimore, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. R. Strong, in Piney Neck.

Mrs. Emilie Leary, of Edesville, while on a visit at her sister's in Baltimore last week fell down stairs and broke three of her ribs at one time her life was dispaired of, but we learn she is much better.

We hear Dr. Selby has a patient near Lankford. We don't know how serious the case is, but it takes a good bit of his time visiting it.

The *Morning Herald* seems to think there is some objection in Kent to Col. Vannort the republican candidate for governor. We trust there is enough to keep him off of the ticket as he is a gentleman that we have the highest esteem for and we would be sorry to see him undertake to fill up the holes in the party that certain others have made, but that is his, and not our business.

SYLVANUS.

Lankford Locals.

The farmers are complaining of low prices for their peaches, but how can they expect any better, owing to the quantity shipped daily, both good fruit and cullings. Mr. Thomas J. Vickers, one of our largest shippers, has begun evaporating his small fruit.

Our fishermen report fish to be very scarce, although they have not all commenced as yet. If fishing is a failure it will make Jack a dull boy, as there are quite a number engaged in the business. Some of them when asked "How many have you caught today?" will reply, "About as many as I expected, if not more." Well, a fisherman is a fisherman and we can't expect any more of them.

Messrs. Kilbourn & Son have replenished their stock of melons, and we sincerely hope the boys will buy them instead of borrowing from their neighbors.

Captain John Vickers has repainted his handsome residence. Capt. Jack did the work and deserves a great deal of credit.

The school holidays will soon be over, and, of course, by the rule, the teachers must go back to their schools. While we regret to lose some of them we will glady welcome our Lankford teacher back.

Messrs. Vickers & Bennett our worthy boat builders have a boat on exhibition at Vickers' shop which they claim will be the fastest on Lankford's bay. The boat is named "Pike" which is painted in beautiful shaded letters by Mr. Sam'l Bennett, who is not only a ship carpenter but is a first rate artist.

Miss Belle Funk, of Balto., is visiting Miss Katie McCloskey.

Mrs. John Weidman, of Baltimore is visiting Mrs. Joseph Hadaway, of Broad Neck.

Misses Ada and Amanda Bennett are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Robt. Blackway, in Cecil county.

Misses Bertha Pifferling and Ella Hamberger, of Baltimore, are visiting Mrs. Thos. Hadaway.

Miss Minnie Woodwood, of Baltimore, is visiting Miss Josie Ruley.

Miss Grace Vickers has returned from a pleasant visit to Miss Carrie McIntyre, near Chestertown. D. W.

Worton Locals.

As it has been quite a time since our correspondent from Worton has been heard from, we again, endeavor to send you some locals.

Master Samuel Loller is confined to his bed with malarial fever.

A lively young peach buyer in this village singled out a basket of very fine fruit a few days ago, for his best girl to preserve, and contemplates eating them next winter.

Miss Anna R. Melvin, of Wilmington, Del., is visiting Miss Jessie Cooper.

Miss Laura Volk is visiting relatives in Crumpton.

Mr. Geo. H. Pell, of Florida, is visiting friends and relatives near Worton.

Mr. Clarence Hatchins, of Bucks county, Pa., is the guest of Mr. J. Lewin Crew.

Misses Annie B. Cooper and Katharine Parsons have returned from a delightful trip to Bombay Hook.

Mr. Wm. Pote, of Del., is visiting friends in this place.

Kent county it seems has become a great place of resort whether the climate or the great hospitality of its people we can't say but expect both. Everywhere we learn of our citizens entertaining strangers from different States and when the time comes for them to go they leave reluctantly.

Edward Beck and brother Frank paid their father, Justice Beck a supprise visit riding upon there bicycles. They both reside in Washington, D. C., and left on Monday on the Trumpeter for home.

Miss Bertha Hyrons is spending her vacation with Miss Hope Willis. UNCLE TOM.

IN the Orphans' Court on Tuesday, letters of administration on the personal estate of Samuel Nickerson were granted to Martha A. Nickerson and Milton Melvin. T. A. R. Pierce, administrator of Geo. R. Pierce, passed his first and final administration account.

COLIC IN HORSES CURED.—Mr. Jos. Longenecker, gives the following recipe which he has used without fail on the severest case of colic in horses: To a pint of water in a long necked bottle add one tablespoonful of common soda, and double the quantity of salt; dissolve and give to the animal through the nostrils. This is easily accomplished by raising the horse's head with one hand and inserting the bottle in the nostril. Exercise immediately and repeat in a few minutes if necessary. Mr. Longenecker has never found a repetition necessary.

A Deliberate Murder!

ONE COLORED MAN STABS ANOTHER TO THE HEART!

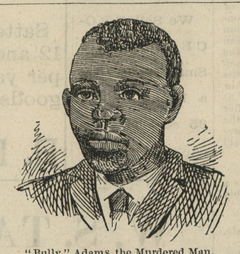
FALLS DEAD IN THE STREET!

The Murderer Arrested—His Statement of the Affair.

THE CORONER'S INQUEST, VERDICT, &c.

Chestertown was stirred to its deepest depths Saturday night by the cold-blooded murder of a colored man on one of the back streets. It is with reluctance that we chronicle the bare facts of the cowardly attack in our generally peaceable town. It was just half-past ten o'clock when Officers Kelley and Joiner were apprized by Eliza Chambers of the stabbing of a man. They were quick in reaching the spot, and there, lying in the street they saw a dead man. The scene of the murder was on Calvert street, near Mill, half way between Mrs. A. M. Hurtt's stable and the Mill street corner. The full moon shed its soft rays of light upon the scene enabling the officers to quickly examine the man. When found he was lying partly on his side, with his coat thrown over his left arm and a half smoked cigar between his fingers. A small knife wound was discovered in his left breast, a little above the heart, from which the blood spurted in a stream. Dr. Harry L. Dodd arrived about five minutes after the cutting and stated, after a short examination, that the man had died instantly. His eyes were but partly closed when found. In his pockets was an open old rusty Barlow knife, tobacco, pipe, two dice, cravats, candle and seventy-five cents.

It was not many minutes before hundreds of both white and colored people were on the scene and crowded around the body. Coroner Pippin ordered the body removed to Undertaker Dodd's establishment, where an inquest was held the following morning. The dead man was identified as William Adams, known as "Bully" Adams. He was a well-built man, about 24 years of age; five feet, eight inches in height and weighed about 160 pounds. He came from Baltimore to Chestertown two

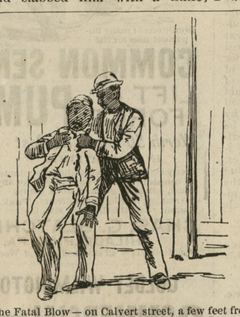


"Bully" Adams, the Murdered Man.

weeks since and has been working for Mr. Arthur Brown. His parents are well-to-do colored residents of Salisbury, and upon hearing of the murder his father arrived in Chestertown, Monday. He stated that he was much pleased with the respect shown his son and with the steps that were being taken for the apprehension of the murderer. His remains were buried Sunday afternoon in a piece of ground secured by Mr. Pippin. While the body was being removed officers were on the hunt for the murderer, and all evidence pointed to Thomas Thompson as the one. His home was thoroughly searched but he could not be found. All points reached by telephone were notified of the affair and told to watch for Thompson. Owing to the miserable telegraph facilities Sheriff Comegys could not reach all points he desired.

The murder was the general topic of conversation Sunday and crowds could be seen in all directions discussing the outrage. Coroner Pippin summoned a jury of inquest, and after viewing the dead man the jury repaired to the court-house and held the inquest. The following constituted the panel: Samuel Vannort, foreman; Cecil C. Morgan, Jesse G. Duyer, Meeteer Wallis, James A. Shaw, Fred. G. Usilton, Robert N. Boston, W. W. Copper, C. C. Hopper, Amos B. Kelley, Tho. S. Dodd, T. Jefferson Joiner, Wm. T. Matthews. M. deK. Smith, Esq., conducted the examination. Eliza Chambers, a colored woman of bright face, about 25 years of age, was the first witness and spoke in a clear, straightforward manner what she knew as follows:

"I live in Chestertown with Becky Ringgold, near the A. M. E. Church, but my native place is in Still Pond Neck; me and Mr. Lankford started down town little after ten o'clock for a jacket for my boy; we had not gone very far before Thomas Thompson, whom I have known for six years, ran up to us and asked, 'Did you see a man go down this way?' and I told him yes I seen him, and asked him why, and he replied, 'I am going to stab the s— of a b—' and ran on; this took place opposite the old Bridner house, now occupied by Daniel Cox, and I was within five feet of him; when Tom said this I started in a run to follow him, and when near Mrs. Hurtt's stable Tom told Adams, for he it was, to stop, and he stopped, but before he could turn around Tom had ran alongside of him and stabbed him with a knife; I was



The Fatal Blow—on Calvert street, a few feet from a telegraph pole, near the corner of Mill street.

within four feet of them when it took place and Adams fell immediately; Tom ran towards the railroad as hard as he could go; I did not hear any words that passed between them; my companion, Lankford, stopped when Tom passed us and said, 'Go ahead I will overtake you.'"

Thomas Lankford is an ignorant-looking, flat-nosed darkey of medium size and weight and testified as follows:

"I am from Cape Charles City and have been here about two weeks; I have known "Bully" Adams for five years, but do not know Thompson; I started little after ten o'clock with Eliza Chambers to go down town; I was standing near a tree in front of a low brick house when Thompson ran past me toward the depot, and in going by me I heard him say, 'S— of a b—, I'll cut his insides out if he fools with me;' Eliza was ahead of me, and I saw two men before me, one a tall man the other smaller."

Joseph Slocum looked as though his name was very suitable, and if he knew anything he would not tell it. He said:

"I am a Baltimorean and have been here a month; I work for Mr. John Loud and know Adams very well, having worked with him at Mr. Loud's last year; I was with Adams about one hour before the murder took place, but did not hear Adams say that he was afraid of Thompson or anything of the kind; we went to the steamboat and to the colored barber shop and both had been drinking a little."

Kate Mitchell is a young girl about 20 years of age and lisped a little when she told the following:

"I live in town, near the A. M. E. Church; I know Tom very well, but do not know Adams; Tom had been waiting on me, but had stopped until last night about nine o'clock (Saturday) when he came to the door and called me; I was upstairs putting the baby to sleep when he called and could not come down right away, but when I did come I saw Tom going towards his home; then I went down town and did not see him any more."

Fanny Mitchell, the mother of the above witness is a very corpulent woman and said:

"I was sitting in my front door about 9 o'clock when Tom Thompson and another man came to my door just as Kate was going upstairs to put her baby to bed; Tom called for Kate but she did not come immediately and when she did come Tom said, 'Didn't you hear me when I called, and Kate said, 'No;' Tom and the other man then went across the road opposite my door and stood there for some time; I saw Tom go up town and the man go down town; it was not very long before Kate came from down the street and told me there had been a man killed; I saw Tom walk leisurely by my door after the killing and directly a crowd close behind; it may not have been Tom, but looked like him."

Beckey Medford, alias Madam Ringgold, is the magistrate's friend and the State's living witness. It seems that she is somewhere near, or near about, when anything like a fight is in progress. Last year she lived down town and was a witness in the Harris case. She is a rapid talker and it would require steam to drive a pen fast enough to follow her. We caught the following:

"I live up town in one of Mr. Billy Thompson's houses, next door to Fanny Mitchell's; Adams had been coming to my house, and I knew him very well; I saw Tom and Adams walk up to Fanny Mitchell's door and ask for Kate; I did not hear what Fanny said, but heard Tom call for Kate, and when she did not come down said, 'Yes, you have been with this s— of a b— and won't come down, but I am going to fix him for it;' I was leaning out of my window very close to Thompson when he said this."

Dr. H. L. Dodd made a post mortem examination and gave the following evidence to the jury:

"I found a wound on the left side three and a quarter inches above the nipple, four inches from the median line, and one and seven-eighth inches long on surface. The third and fourth ribs were completely severed, and the wound in the heart was large enough to admit the ends of two fingers." The doctor stated that it was possible for the wound to have been made with the knife which was found under the dead man's left hand, though it is generally thought that it was not. The knife found had no blood on it other than that which came from having been handled by parties who had their hands bloody from handling the corpse. Yet this is not conclusive evidence, since the cutting might have been done without any evidence of blood having been left on it.

The jury, after hearing the evidence of Officers Kelley and Joiner gave the following verdict:

"That the said William Adams came to his death from a wound in the left breast, which penetrated the heart, inflicted by a knife in the hands of Thomas Thompson."

"The following additional evidence has been gathered by NEWS reporters since the inquest.

Charles Walker says: "Tom Thompson, Adams, another fellow and myself were playing crap Sunday, August 9th, near the colored M. E. Church; Adams loaned the fellow a set of loaded dice with which he was winning Thompson's money; Thompson got mad and drawing a butcher knife made a dash toward Adams, but I grabbed him and exclaimed, 'For God sake don't do that;' Thompson seeing it impossible for him to harm Adams shook the knife at him and said, 'Wait till I catch you and I'll fix you,' accompanying it with an oath." When Walker viewed the dead man Saturday night he said: "Why, it is poor "Bully;" Thompson said he'd cut his heart out and he's done it sure enough."

Sarah Garrett, a young colored woman was standing on the back street when Thompson approached her and exhibited the bloody knife, remarking, "There's the knife I killed "Bully" with!" Sarah says the knife was about a foot long and had a cross piece above the hilt.

Dick Thompson, the father of the accused murderer, says, "Tom came home Saturday night and said he had been cut in the side, but that he had fixed the s— of a b— and went out."

Joe Davis, a colored man living on the corner of Calvert street and College avenue says he was sitting in his door when Thompson came along and stopped. He walked in the house and said he had cut a man, and then went towards the railroad.

Mr. Robert Kimble, watchman at the Strawboard Basket Factory, was sitting out on the platform of the factory when he saw Thompson come running up Calvert street and ran up the railroad track; he was going along at a good rate. Harriet Riley stated that she had a tent at Chinquapin camp, and about 11.30 P. M., Tom came there, but when asked to stay all night told her "No, I must be going; I have killed a man."

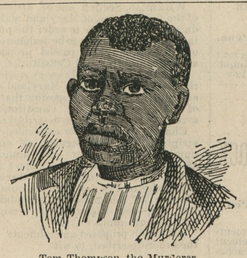
George Walker, who was also at the camp, states that he walked as far as Worton Station with him.

Sheriff Comegys and Officer Kelley went to Smyrna Tuesday, in answer to a telegram from there saying that Thompson was in town, but when they arrived he was not there.

Jim Blake, a colored barber from Chestertown, and a former resident of Smyrna, was in Smyrna Monday, and having seen Thompson, informed Justice Cooper of the fact and of the crime he had committed. The justice, instead of issuing a warrant for his arrest, telegraphed at 2 P. M. to know if he was wanted here. The return telegram was sent immediately after the receipt of Mr. Cooper's, but it was 9 A. M. Tuesday when it reached Smyrna, and the criminal had escaped. Blake asked him how everything was in town, but said nothing of the crime. Mayor Budd was informed by Officer Kelley of the circumstances and was much chagrined at Mr. Cooper's failure to issue a warrant and promised to use his best efforts for his capture.

Thomas Lumm, a reliable colored citizen of Smyrna, stated to the officers that Thompson arrived in Smyna at ten o'clock Sunday morning. "He took dinner with me today (Monday), and while eating I noticed blood on his sleeve and coat and asked him what it was doing there. He replied that he had gotten cut in a fight at Chestertown Saturday night. I advised him to give himself up and he started out, saying 'I think I will,' and that is the last I have seen of him."

The prisoner is six feet one and a-half inches tall, weighs 180 pounds and is 24 years of age. He had on a dark suit and wore a band cap. He is very muscular and of large bone. He told his story in a straightforward manner, seemingly taking things easy. He says he is sorry that he killed Adams. He has been employed for a number of years at Mr. Wm. H. Cacy's phosphate factory.



Tom Thompson, the Murderer.

Sheriff Comegys received a telegram at 9 A. M. Thursday from Constable Miller, of Galena, informing him that he had caught Tom Thompson. The sheriff, accompanied by Mr. Albert I. Dugan, went to Galena and brought the prisoner to jail. He reached town about 5 P. M. and the prisoner was followed by a big crowd of men, women and children to the jail doors. It was 6 P. M. when the NEWS reporter called and was given an interview. Tom readily recognized us and in answer to our queries made the following statement:

"I met 'Bully' Adams at 8.45 Saturday night on Cross street, and in company with him and a stranger, we started up towards the Voshell House. We went across to Mr. Frank Smith's alley and there the strange darkey left us. I started up-town with Adams and presently he asked me where I was going and I told him I was going home. He then said 'I'll go with you.' When we got to Mr. Shuster's store Adams asked me to come and have a cigar. I told him no, but come go up to Mr. Joe Wheatley's. We went there and he bought a quarter's worth of cigars. He gave me two; I lit one and put the other in my pocket. On Mr. W.'s corner I met my father and introduced Adams to him. They shook hands and we went across to Mr. Crow's and got some crab-apple cider. Adams and I then started down towards the Bethel church. In front of Perry Bowers' house Adams pulled out a knife and said 'I am going to kill some d--- nigger to-night,' and at thesame time made a cut at me but I knocked it out of his hand. He said something to Paul Hackett about picking it up. Paul picked it up and gave it to Adams and I told him to look out he would cut me. We went on together to Fanny Mitchell's and found her sitting at the window. I called Kate but she did not come to the door at first but at the second call she came and I told her something. Adams had never been with Kate that I knows of. I then started home and Adams asked me where I was going. I told him I was going home and when we got about 15 yards out in the road directly in front of Mitchell's house Adams put a knife in me. I said Adams you've cut me. 'I don't care', he replied and made for me again but I ran. Adams did not run after me far before he turned and went down the street and I went up home. I got a two-bladed knife out of my desk and started after Adams. When opposite Tom Wright's house I saw Aleck Cheney and Joe Boyer sitting on his steps, and I stopped and asked if they saw a man just go down that way. Aleck said no, but Joe said yes, and I said, 'Look where he cut me, and if I catch up with him I intend to serve him the same way.' I overtook him between the two big trees near Mrs. Hurtt's stable, and when I called to him he stopped. I went up behind him, and as he turned in answer to my call I jobbed the knife in him just so (indicating with his hand.)

When I started away he said 'come here.' No, I said, we're even now; you cut me and I've cut you. I didn't see him fall. I went straight up home and laid the knife either on a table or in the desk, I come out and told my father I had been cut, and then went to Mr. Crow's corner, where I learned that Adams was dead. I then went to Joe Davis', near Mr. Dilhoffer's, and showed him and others where I was cut. It was on the corner that I was advised to skip, and I started up the railroad track, reaching Chinquapin camp about 11.30 P. M. Here I went in Kate Smith's and my half-sister's tent. I told them I had been in a fight at Chestertown and having heard that the man was killed I had better go. I then started for Smyrna, where I arrived at 7 A. M. Sunday. I breakfasted with Miss Lizzie Lumm and set around the town all day. At ten o'clock Monday morning I met Jim Blake, who told me the officers were after me like bees and that I had better give myself up. I told him I thought I would and went to Lumm's house. There Lizzie told me I had better skip, for Jim Blake was in town and if he was onery enough to tell the people in Smyrna I had killed a man he would go home and tell the officers. I then started for Wilmington at 2 o'clock. I reached Buck's bridge and stayed with a colored man all night. This old man had to drive a cow to Wilmington, so I went along with him, starting at 3 A. M. We reached Wilmington at 9 A. M., and had sixty cents. I then made up my mind to come back and give myself up. I was offered $5 by a girl whom I knew to stay, but I told her no. I started for home at 5.30 P. M. Wednesday, and got a ride in a butcher wagon to Warwick, where I slept all night in a man's barn. I left Warwick at sun-up, reaching Galena at 9 o'clock. It was 300 yards on this side of Galena that Constable Miller arrested me. I traded my black straw hat for a cap in Wilmington. I never played crap with Adams and we had always been on good terms. Adams had been drinking, but I was sober."

Constable Miller states that he and Commissioner Morgan were going to Galena, and met Mr. Nick Vansant in a peach wagon. "The latter told me that he had just met a strange darkey, and it might be the man they want for murder in town. I drove by the darkey and got out; I walked up to him and called Tom; he said 'that's not my name, my name is Charlie;' I said you look like Tom Thompson, and I then was looking at the scar on his right hand; when he said 'Well, I'm the man you're looking for;' I then said you are charged with murder; 'I done it,' he said."

Dr. Latimer examined the prisoner in Galena and found a slight abrasion on his right side just below the belt. It was a-half inch long and just under the skin.

Dick Thompson, Tom's father, stated to us Thursday night that there had not been any knife about the house to his knowledge and there was none there now.

Officer Joiner searched the house Thursday and found an old barlow in Tom's desk, but Tom says this is not the knife.

Paul Hackett, a bright colored lad, aged about 17 years, says he was sitting on Perry Barroll's steps, on Kent street, Saturday night, with Johnny Sheppard, about ten o'clock, when Tom Thompson and another fellow (Adams) came along, arm-in-arm, and stumbled against the steps, and the coat on Adams' arm fell on Johnny Sheppard and then on the step. Johnny took the coat up and a knife, something like a peach tree knife, fell out, and Paul picked it up and gave it to Adams, and the two walked on together. They seemed to be on perfect good terms with each other. Adams seemed to have been drinking and it was he that stumbled on the steps. Nothing was said about cutting.

Various stories have been circulated. In Baltimore Sunday a colored man named Robbins was arrested for the murder upon the advise of Thos. Reiche and C. W. Kennard who said he was Thompson, but since his arrival in Chestertown is found to have no connection with the affair. This is the story reported by two of the Baltimore papers:

Thompson has the reputation of being a bad man. He is about 22 years old, of short, slight build. When seen last he was dressed in a dark suit and wore a light-brown derby hat. He hadn't any employment save crap-shooting, and it was over this game that the quarrel began which resulted in Adams' death. Adams was walking along the road with two colored women—Eliza Chambers and Kitty Dumpson—when he was accosted by Thompson. Words passed relating to the crap game and the women, when Thompson suddenly plunged a big sheath-knife, which had been concealed, into Adams' left breast, cutting his heart in two. According to Dr. William Perkins, who was, subsequently summoned, Adams was dead before he fell to the ground. The woman gave the alarm, but the murderer escaped.

It is currently reported at Chestertown that Thompson was seen at Tolchester after the murder, and that the sheriff attempted to arrest him. He showed fight, however, and shot the sheriff in the leg with a revolver, and again escaped. Adams bore the reputation of a hard worker. He had never been in any scrapes.

GALENA LOCALS.

The M. E. Church had a Sunday-school picnic on Thursday last, in a grove on Dyer's Point, a beautiful place overlooking the Sassafras river, and historical too, as there was a fort erected there in 1812, and manned with soldiers, to keep the British from going further up the river. Even now you can see the formation of the trenches dug by the soldiers. Mr. Todd took all the Sunday-school scholars in his large peach wagon to the grove and brought them back in the evening. All who attended the picnic enjoyed themselves very much.

Dr. Latimer took Mrs. Robinson to Baltimore on Monday afternoon last, on the Steamer Fannie. She was taken to the Johns Hopkins. There had to be an operation performed. The lady was extremely ill when she left and was accompanied by Mr. Robinson, Mrs. Richard Lockwood and the doctor.

Report says we are going to have a grand wedding at the M. E. Church one day next week.

Peaches seem to be a drug in all the markets this week. The farmers complain that they don't get money enough out of them to pay for the picking.

The M. E. Church held a festival Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, at which a good sum was realized.

Constable Miller arrested this morning a colored man, supposed to be the one that killed the man in Chestertown on Saturday night last. He said he was on his way to give himself up.

The Cecilton baseball club played the Galena club at this place on Saturday, with a score of 10 to 3 in favor of the Cecilton boys. P.

BALTIMORE MARKET.—The Baltimore papers yesterday quote as follows:

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At Humphrey's Point, on Saturday, Aug. 22, 1891, HENRIETTA, infant daughter of Capt. Samuel E. and Emma Coleman, aged about 2 months. Another precious jewel has been selected for the Master's abode, where she now awaits the coming of the sorrowing parents.

Near Millington, August 22, 1891, WILLIAM B. NAYLOR, aged about sixty years.

Memoriam.

In memory of Ada Bell Carter, who died at her home near Worton, Station, July 29, 1891. On Wednesday morning she was taken extremely ill, and at nine o'clock her spirit took flight. God in his all-wise providence saw fit to call her in her youth. The morning sun which had risen so beautifully, before it had reached its meridian height was wrapped in the clouds of death. Another golden link in the family is severed; another star has faded from the etherial sky only to shine more brilliant beyond this vale of tears. One of earth's lovellest flowers has withered and drooped, gone to live in Paradise, that haven of rest for the weary one. Truly we live in a world where solemn shadows are continually falling upon our path—shadows that teach us the insecurity of all temporal blessings, and warn us that here "there is no abiding stay." We have, however, the blessed satisfaction of knowing that death cannot enter that sphere to which the departed are removed.

Resolutions of respect have been drawn up by the Worton Presbyterian Sabbath school in memory of Ada. They were read during the services Sunday evening and a copy will be presented to the family. She will be missed from among us as she will in the home circle. Time glides swiftly by and leaves its traces upon us all and we must realize that we will some day be called upon to part with those who are near and dear to us. The spirtual world is more near since a loved one has entered there; more real since they have a treasure in it. Our deepest sympathy we offer to the bereaved family and commend them to Him who feeds the raven and marks the falling of the sparrow. A. B. C.

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