The Kent News

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Messrs. B. Palmer Keating and Wm. W. Busteed were in Chestertown last Saturday. They are interested in the electric road and stated that it is likely the Queen Anne's road will be pushed forward with a view to the use of steam instead of electricity. They expressed great gratification at the spirit manifested by the people owning lands through which the road would pass; that on the route between Centreville and Queenstown in every instance the land was cheerfully donated; between Centreville and Chestertown the same liberal spirit prevailed except in one instance. They did not state who the exception was, but said his refusal was the more conspicuous because of the very little injury done to the farmer in question.

Mr. J. A. Shaw is fitting up his Court Street store-room for the postoffice. His boots and shoes have been removed to the store of Mr. Frank D. Leary, where any body in want of bargains in this line may purchase them.

We acknowledge the receipt of a card from Charles Hamilton Medders, to the commencement of the University of Maryland, Faculty of Physic, at the Academy of Music last Wednesday evening.

Capt. John W. Glanville, a prominent citizen of Easton, died suddenly last week. He was a native of Queen Anne's and lived in Kent in 1859.

Treasurer C. S. Hurlock was confined to his home several days this week threatened with diphtheria. He was better yesterday. Mr. S. G. Lee has been confined to his bed with sickness at his home near Melitota. Mr. Robert G. Nicholson has been quite sick also for over a week but is now able to be about his house.

A letter from from Francis Valk, M. D., of New York, remitting his subscription to the NEWS, says: "I have enjoyed reading your letters from Capt. Leary very much. I had the good fortune to be in Rome last October and can fully appreciate all he has so well written of the city of magnificent ruins."

Mr. J. H. Toulson, of Salem, N. J., a brother of Mr. M. A. Toulson, came to Chestertown and attended the funeral of the late John Davis.

Miss Violet Beck after a most enjoyable visit to Washington, D. C, has returned home.

Mr. T. R. Sasscer, of Prince George's county, spent several days of past week at the residence of Mr. T. A. Wallis. Mr. S. says Kent is such a pretty place one cannot fail to admire it.

The Misses Hague were given a most enjoyable surprise on Friday night last. About thirty were present.

Miss Marguerite Belt, of Washington, is the guest of Mrs. Fred. Fountain

Mr. Frank Simpers, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Simpers, has been quite sick with fever at his home on Queen street. He is still confined to his bed, this making the fourth week.

Mr. Wm. R. Pippin has accepted a position as superintendent for a Baltimore contractor.

Mrs. Joseph F. Whitely and son are visiting her parents, Mr. Isaac Duyer, near Still Pond.

THE FIRST VICTORY.

The Baltimore City College base-ball team came over to Chestertown on Saturday last to try conclusions with the Washington College club. Like St. Johns of old, the city boys remembered the sound thrashing they had administered to the Eastern Shore lads in a social game of foot-ball last fall, and Baltimore's contigency was building high hopes on that same victory. Accompanied by a large crowd of fellow-students, they landed in Chestertown about 2 P. M., the tug "Canton" conveying the party. Having partaken of substantial college fare, they proceeded to the ball field for preliminary practice. The game was called shortly after 3 o'clock. Baltimore City at the bat. They were quickly retired in one, two, three, order and W. C. took its turn. The home team lost no time in useless sparring but waded in to do up its man and he was as good as knocked out in the first inning. Every inning was practically a repetition of the first and 21 to 4 at the end of the trouble shows how severe a drubbing the city chaps received. They were outclassed by the Kent boys, and at no stage of the game were they "in it." Their fielding was not bad, but it would have taken a professional field to handle such batting as the W. C. boys gave Mr. Swaine. White behind the bat, Whitehurst, left-field and Bonny at 3b, did good work, but the home team had its batting clothes on and the fusilade was irresistible. Outside the batting, the work of the Kent boys was in the main good. A little stiffness possibly was evident, and this first evinced the fact that they had not yet gotten well down to business. Of course the battery was all that could be desired. Both Burris and Zearfoss were faultless, and too much can not be said in praise of their work. Every man on the visiting team failed to solve the mysteries of Burris' shoots and 18 fanned the air. Zearfoss supported the pitcher in his old-time style and if catching can be done more easily and accurately than he does it, Chestertown people have yet to see it done by any stranger that ever visited this section to play ball. Brice, at first, gave evidence that the Captain did not do wrong, when he put that player to hold down that bag. If our plucky foot-ball player can hold those terrible drives of Burris from the pitcher's box, when he attempts to catch a runner napping, and can tag him quickly, then first base is all right; that Brice can manage all other business connected with this position was plainly shown in Saturday's game. Woodruff at second is not in condition. He says he is a hot weather player. The cool north breeze stiffened his joints last Saturday, so that he fell a victim to short grounders and fly balls. But he does not create a feeling of uneasiness, his work last season was brilliant and every one looks for the same this year. Polk is playing 3rd again this season. He was destined for the out-field before the season opened, but the management thought best to allow the popular third baseman to resume his old position on that corner of the diamond. Polk is a strong batter, a fast runner, and an all-round athletic. He picks up a batted ball well and generally nails his man at first base. If at particular stages of a close contest he can stave off those self-confessed rattles nothing else can be demanded of his play. Armstrong has been brought in from right field and placed at short-stop. This promising young player caught the ball-cranks last year and seems about to do it again this season. Rigid practice is what he wants, and no doubt he will manufacture a supply of energy to make him fit and right. The outfield with the exception of Blackiston is new. Beaston and Holloway are the new material. Both are somewhat weak at the bat, but both are hard workers, good fly catchers, and if our stock of pitchers will give them a chance at curves in practice, the sky-scrapers will be attended to when they go to the outfield. Blackiston's reputation as a fielder is made, and he maintains it. The college never had better, and the crowd always breaths freely when Blackiston's hands are set for the ball. Washington College could have defeated the B. C. C. last Saturday without allowing them to score anything but outs and errors, but Armstrong was put into the box in the 7th inning, and by his wildness forced in some runs.

Manager Perkins has dates with some of the best teams in Baltimore and with the Columbian University of Washington, D. C. White, who caught for the B. C. C. is a member of the Y. M. C. A. team of Baltimore and he vows to have his revenge by bringing over the best amateur team Baltimore can produce. Chestertown welcomes that sort of a club.

The next game is with New Windsors College Saturday, today, at 1.45 P.M. This team comes straight from a game with Georgetown College, that defeated Yale early in the season. It behooves the home College boys to beware.

A Terrible Murder!

In Queen Anne's Co., near Chestertown!

A Brutal Negro Kills a Farmer and Shoots his Son!

HE IS ARRESTED AND IN JAIL!

Accounts of Eye Witnesses!

A horrible murder was perpetrated early Wednesday evening about three miles from Chestertown, in Queen Anne's county, on the farm known as "Round Top," owned by Mr. Irving Walker, of Baltimore, and for long years one of the most noted fruit farms of this section.

The home is a lovely spot on Chester river. Nothing heretofore has occurred to mar its serenity—the dwellers lived in peace, and happiness reigned supreme, while visitors were always welcomed to its cheer and enjoyed its hospitalities. Today all is changed! As we walk the lawn or move through the quiet rooms everything speaks of the dread act that occurred. A good citizen and a loving father lay cold in death not twenty feet from where he was slain, and a bright young lad is suffering from the effects of a leaden ball which the physicians think still remains in his body. The afflicted wife and mother—the heart-broken children—the sorrowing brothers and the saddened neighbors all move about in a sort of dazed way. The shadow of death—horrid murderous death has dropped its black pall over the hearth and home!

Mr. George Leager was the tenant on Round Top farm, having moved there from "Ingleside" the first of January. He was married twice, his present wife being Mrs. Crossley. He had one child by his first wife named Ire. His wife had two children by her first husband, Sam'l and Nathan Crossley. At the time of the tragedy there were on the farm Mr. and Mrs. Leager, the three boys—Ire Leager, Sam and Nathan Crossley—Nathan Benton, Mrs. Leager's father, and the murderer, Wm. Jackson.

A special reporter of the NEWS went to the scene of the murder and interviewed the parties. Mr. Leager had five brothers. Four of them were at Round Top when we arrived and were very bitter in their denunciation of the murder, as were most of the neighbors, and in fact every one we saw who had heard of the tragedy. Nathan Crossley, the youth who went to his father's assistance, was seen in his room. He is a bright, talkative little fellow of fourteen. He said he felt very well and suffered only from a little soreness in his right arm. The bullet that struck him made a round hole in his body just below his right shoulder in a fleshy part. Dr. Lane Finley says he thinks the bullet must have gone in, but Nathan says Dr. Dudley looked for it but could not find it and thinks it must have been a glance shot. Nathan gave the following account of the affair:

"Ire Leager, Sam Crossley, father and myself were up in the loft repairing a feed cutter which father had just brought home, when father's attention was attracted to Wm. Jackson outside calling him. Father answered him and Jackson asked him to come down saying that he wanted him. Father went down, still holding in his hand the hatchet he had while fixing the cutter. He went over to the pump where Jackson was and asked what he wanted. Jackson told him he wanted his money—his wages, I thought. After talking awhile father put his hand in his pocket preparatory to getting his purse, and before he could get it out Jackson struck him back of the ear with his fist and knocked him to the ground. As soon as father got up the negro drew his revolver and fired twice—the first ball taking effect, but the second shot missed its mark. Father staggered and Jackson grabbed the hatchet and proceeded to butcher him. He was cutting away at him when he saw me coming toward him with a pitch fork in hand, and when about ten feet from him Jackson fired his third shot and the bullet lodged in my right shoulder. Jackson then, with pistol and hatchet in hand took to his heels across the field."

Mr. Leager died a short time after, and Nathan was carried to Church Hill and the neighbors called.

Samuel Crossley, brother of Nathan, is about 16. He says that he and his brothers were up the loft, as Nathan said, when Jackson called and Mr. L. went down. They went to the window and witnessed Jackson strike their father. Then he and the others went down, Nathan taking the pitch fork. Nathan went to his father's assistance, but he and Ire Leager ran around the barn to get out of the way of the bullets. He, after seeing Jackson run off, ran to his neighbors.

Mrs. Leager was terribly grieved but had several of her neighbors present to console her in her great affliction. She said that she has always been afraid of Jackson and that he carried a pistol with him all the time and boasted that he was not afraid of any body and that he defied any body to take him unaware. He generally slept in the house and had been with them ever since they moved there at Christmas. She says that Wednesday noon she asked Jackson to get her a bucket of water, but he commenced to abuse her with dirty words and she drove him away. Capt. Brinsfield was there at the time. Jackson came back and cursed her and repeated two or three times that he'd knock them all in hell before night! Jackson went on to his work cutting trees.

Mr. Leager came home about 4 o'clock and was busy about the place. The bell was rung and Jackson came up before the time for supper, but she did not see him any more until after she heard the shooting, when she ran out and saw Jackson running across the field with a hatchet. She then gave her attention to the wounded boy.

Nathan Benton, father of Mrs. L., says when he saw Mr. L. coming home about 4 o'clock with the feed cutter in the wagon, he thought there would be a row and went out. Jackson helped Mr. L. to take the cutter out and thought he seemed very agreeable. He went back to the house and soon after heard shots. Went out and picked up Mr. L.

Mr. Leager was a small man, below the average height, weighing about 115. He has had a lame leg from a child and has suffered very much from rheumatism. He was about 47 years old.

Andrew Gray, clerk for Mr. C. W. Kibler, says Jackson came in the store at 7.15 and asked for tobacco, and showing lots of money. He remarked to himabout money and he replied that he always had that. He had a hatchet in his hand and laid it on the counter. It was bloody. He said he'd had trouble with L. "Leager," said he, "came at me with the hatchet and I took it from him and cut him on the wrist and shoulder. I left him in a pile laying in the yard. The boy came at me with a pitch fork and I shot him. Don't know whether I killed him or not. Don't care."

Wesley Stevens is an old gray-haired darkey living in Ewington, about three miles from Mr. L. He said, "Jackson hires my wife to wash for him. He came here about 8 o'clock and wanted lodging. He said he had had some difficulty with L. and that he threatened to cut him, but he grabbed the hatchet and struck him several times with it. The boy, he said, came up with a fork and he shot him, and the boy hollered out like he was hurt. Jackson said he was going to Crumpton in the morning and plead self defense. I told him I thought the woods would be the best bed for him as the people would be after him before day-break. The big officer came after Jackson at twenty minutes to twelve and the road in front of my house was full of carriages and people.

Justice Thos. Trenchard, of Church Hill, held an inquest over the body of the murdered man at the farm on Thursday morning. The following gentlemen composed the jury: John C. Smith, Alfred Story, W. T. Slagle, O. S. Newnam, Harry McElwee, Wm. O. Dugan, Thos. Dewberry, Wm. T. Meads, S. Dewberry, W. E. Deford, Bud S. Potts, Geo. W. Biddle. The jury after examining the witnesses and Drs. L. Finley and Weedon, who held an autopsy over the body, gave the following verdict:

"George T. Leager came to his death on the 18th of April, 1894, by a bullet fired from a pistol held in the hands of Wm. Jackson."

Dr. Lane Finley said the bullet pierced the main artery near the heart and was necessarily fatal.

Chestertown's efficient officer Amos B. Kelley, told us the following story: About half past eight Wednesday evening Frank Jester informed me of the crime, and asked to go over. Met Robert J. Catlin, coming out of Mr. Leager's and asked me to help look for the murderer, so we turned and went with him. About two miles from Leager's, Ewington, we came to a hut where the supposed murderer had his washing done. We surrounded this hut. While Mr. Will Deford stood guard at the back door, Mr. Wm. O. Dugan and I went in the front door. I asked of an old colored man if a man named Jackson was there. He replied that he was, and that he was up stairs in bed. I went to the stairs and called Jackson and he came down. We put him in the carriage and then started for Leager's to have the darkey identified. He remarked that it was unnecessary to go there, as he was the man who did the shooting. He was soon identified and together with Constable Roe and Tarbutton we took him to Centreville jail and delivered him to the sheriff. When we were taking our prisoner from the carriage he remarked "that is not the first man I killed. I shot a man out west." He made no further statement to me. The prisoner is about 5ft. 5in. in height, weighs 145 pounds, with heavy beard, and is aged 35 or 40 years. He came from Virginia about eight months ago. He was very much unconcerned and took things coolly.

Jackson has been taken to Baltimore for safe keeping.

Religious Notes.

We are glad to note the recovery of Rev. D. L. Greenfield, late pastor of Christ Church, Chestertown. He has been quite ill since Conference, but his physician thinks he can go to his new field of labor in Pittsburg, Pa., about next Thursday.

There was no preaching service at the M. P. Church last Sunday in consequence of the sickness of Rev. Mr. Greenfield. Rev. Mr. Compton, at the M. E. Church, preached morning and night to crowded congregations. He has made a most excellent impression in the community—not only as an earnest preacher of the gospel but as a Christian gentleman of fine social qualities.

The loss to his church and community by the removal of Rev. D. L. Greenfieln and his estimable wife we have heretofore noted. We would fail in duty did we not go further now and pay a just tribute to another portion of the reverend gentlemen's family—his two sons. Two young men of more general and genuine worth than Lee and Mason Greenfield would be hard to find. In the church and Sunday School, where they have been known for the past three years, their places will be hard to fill. All the best elements of noble Christian manhood are to be found in the make up of these two characters, and all who enjoy their personal acquaintance will feel their removal to be great loss.

The members of the Lynchburg church have passed resolutions of highest regard for Dr. Murray, concluding as follows:

"Dr. Murray's career in this city has been eminently praiseworthy, and is everywhere commented upon. It has brought great credit to the church and great satisfaction to the membership. No minister in the city is more generally esteemed and more useful and laborious. Both we, and the city at large, will miss him, and deplore his leaving."

A fine toned bell "In compliment to our rector, Rev. A. Batte, 1894," has been secured for St. Andrew's Chapel, Sudlersville, and it will ring for the first time on Trinity Sunday.

BROAD NECK SCHOOL.

Arbor Day was most appropriately celebrated here on Friday last, and many thanks are due our efficient teacher Miss Hettie Hadaway, for the pleasant time enjoyed by all. The school-room was beautifully decorated—cords of evergreen hung from the corners were gracefully looped in the centre of the ceiling, while the walls bore evident marks of superior taste in decoration. Cake and lemonade were served immediately after finishing the programme which was as follows:

Music.....Band.
Origin of Arbor Day.....May Starrt.
Dialogue.....Little Runaways.
Music Band.....Band.
Pine Tree Academy.....Flora Taylor.
How to make a Whistle.....John Wallis.
Music.....Band.
The Daisy.....Lizzie Sanders.
Chorus, "Gay and Happy,".....School.
The Secret.....Sadie Hadaway.
Blue Bird Song.....Sophie Wallis.
What do We Plant?.....Chas. Bothron.
Music.....Band.
How the Violets come.....Louis Glenn.
The Violits.....Healea Wallis.
Music.....Band.
Reading.....Lankford Vickers.....Music.
Dialogue.....Representing three schools.
Music "Jesu".....(Evalina Wallis.

SCHOOL No. 5, DISTRICT No. 2.

Quite a number of visitors were present. After the exercise in the school-room, all adjourned to the school yard were fifteen trees were planted. Miss Lizzie Fowler is teacher of this school.

Forest.....School.
Responsive Exercise.....School.
Pica of the Trees.....4th and 5th Grade Boys.
Reading, "The Birch Canoe,".....Agnes Culley.
Arbor Day Queen...Exercise by 1rt and 2nd Grades.
Song, "Plant the trees".....School.
Reading,.....How the Leaves Came Down"
Martha Culley.
Quotations on trees.....4th and 5th Grades.

MELITOTA SCHOOL.

Arbor Day at the school near Melitota was made a very pleasant occasion and its former reputation for entertainment was well sustained by the rendering of the "Flowers Festival" and other exercises. The blackboards filled with drawings with colored crayons were a "thing of beauty" and many of them executed without the use of stencils, showed remarkable skillon the part of the pupils. The school-room was tastefully decorated with evergreens while the "Stars and Stripes" occupied their fitting place, strongly suggesting the relation between our free public schools and the nation's future. The whole reflects much credit upon the efficient teacher, Mr. J. A. Greenwood, and both pupils and patrons very much regret that he feels called to leave for a new field of labor at Rock Hall.

A VISITOR.

THE CIRCUIT COURT

The April term of the circuit court for Kent county, convened on Monday morning, with His Honor Judge Joseph A. Wickes on the bench. Judge Frederick Stump arrived on the noon train. The officers of the court are: Clerk, Dr. S. G. Fisher; deputy, Willard Melvin; Sheriff, Thomas S. Dodd; deputy sheriff, John Hurlock; crier to the court, John H. Greenwood; bailiffs, Jervis Spencer and James A Russell; bailiff to grand jury, George A. Adkinson.

The grand and petit jurors were drawn as follows:

GRAND JURY.

Thomas W. Skirven, foreman; Cornelius C. Brown, George Bell, Washington G. Skirven, Horace M. Stuart, William H. Coleman, Isaac R. Leaverton, James R. Stavely, John K. Aldridge, Augustine Hendrickson, James B. Wilson, J. Herman Ireland, George R. Beck, William G. Trew, Enoch N. Roland, Richard B. Willson, Jr., Thos. D. France, William Morris, George H. Watts, George W. Rodenhiser, William Ford, Thos. J. Vickers, James T. Ireland,

PETIT JURY.

John Gale, Samuel Mallalieu, Samuel A. Reed, Barney J. McCauley, John Dickerson, John B. Parrott, Benj. P. Morgan, John H. Simpers, William A. Hyland, Richard A. Turner, John R. Hendrickson, Samuel J. Wickes, Charles C. Wood, Purnell Jefferson, Thos. C. Maslin, Rayman Bowers, William Pennington, William B. Stephens, James W. Lambert, Edward W. Emory, Thos. J. Davis, John H. Clendaniel, Azariah M. Kendall, Horace A Wilson, John M. Comegys.

Judge Wickes, in his charge to the grand jury, referred to the Massey's homicide and other serious cases to come before the jury, and explained the laws governing such cases.

The dockets were called, judgements entered and cases marked for trial.

The grand jury brought in presentment against James J. Spear for murder of John Brophy.

TUESDAY.

The first case called was Wm. May vs. Stephen Johnson, colored, appeal from Justice Thomas. Trial before court. The court gave May judgement for $53.34, the full amount of claim. Barroll for May; Hynson for Johnson.

J. W. Duling and Annie L. Duling vs. S. J. Hill, administrator of Dr. J. H. Hill, appeal from justice W. M. Johnson. The name of Annie L. Duling was omitted and judgement approved. Barroll for Hill and Slay for Duling.

Martin L. Warner vs. State of Maryland, an appeal from Justice J. Evan Thomas. Trial before the court. Warner was fined by Justice Thomas for forcible and improper arrest of Joseph Phillips, and appealed to the circuit court. The court sustained Justice Thomas and fined Warner $10 and costs above and below.

Jese Jerome vs. State, appeal from Justice C. W. C. Johnson. Trial before the court. Jerome was arrested for stealing wood. Verdict not guilty. Slay for State, Barroll for Jerome.

State of Maryland vs. A. J. Stevens. Trial before jury. This is the case of a fight between Stevens and two Kerr brothers at Edesville last spring, in which Stevens cut the oldest of the Kerr boys across the back of the hand. The fight, it seems started between Stevens and the youngest Kerr boy; the older boy came up to assist his younger brother and after some blows, young Stevens drew his knife and dealt Kerr an ugly wound. Stevens claimed that both of the Kerr boys were after him and he was trying to get away from them, but finding he could not do so used his knife. Verdict not guilty. Slay for State, Hynson for Stevens.

State vs. Joseph H. Phillips for assault upon Officer Martin L. Warner. Trial before the court. Not guilty.

The grand jury returned true bill against John J. Spear, and brought in the following presentments: Isaac Gleaves for shooting at Amos B. Kelley; Thomas A. Hudson and Albert W. Hudson for assaulting Edgar H. Strong; Captains Chas. W. Tyler, J. Davis, C. W. Gibson, Martin O. Malloy, B. T. Mann for illegal dredging.

WEDNESDAY.

Bradley vs. McWhorter for the replevy of a horse; appeal from Justice Thomas. Bradley traded horses with a man named Austin, and Austin traded the Bradley horse to Mr. George B. McWhorter. Bradley then replevied the horse from McWhorter claiming that he, Bradley, was a minor. Tried before a jury. Verdict for Bradley. Barroll for McWhorter, Hynson for Bradley.

T. Romie Strong vs. Cecil C. Morgan and his bondsmen. The defense filed a demurrer which was held under consideration by the court.

The grand jury brought in presentments against A. G. Mathict for deceiving deputy sheriff Hurlock and assisting his prisoners to escape. Martin L. Mallony for resisting R. L. Hynson, mate on the police schooner Anna B. Smith, and two against Isaac Cotton for assault and intent to kill Sophia and Charles B. Bosling.

THURSDAY.

The case of Edward J. Plummer, late sheriff, sued Edward W. Spear for 600 bus. of wheat Spear purchased of C. E. Comegys in August, 1893. The sheriff in Oct. 1892, had levied on the growing crop of wheat. Mr. Spear claimed that he did not know of the existence of the levy of the sheriff. The court instructed that any person who purchased property of a man was liable to be called upon to pay the execution if sued by the officer who levied on the property. The jury accordingly gave verdict for sheriff Plummer for $219.86. A motion in arrest of judgement made because the declaration was alleged to contain counts *ex contracta* and *ex delicto*. Barroll for Plummer; Pearce for Comegys.

A suit by the receivers of the D. B. Stewart company, of Baltimore city, against J. D. Urie, to compel payment of unpaid subscription to stock in the above company, amounting to $150. R. D. Hynson, H. P. Stewart and Walter J. Dawkins for Stewart; Jas. A. Pearce and Marion deK. Smith for Urie. Before this case went to trial counsel for Urie made the point that plaintiffs had failed to produce certain books pertaining to the organization of the company, and the court sustained the point and postponed the case.

The case of H. H. Barroll vs. The commissioners of Chestertown was removed to Centreville.

H. L. Lemkiehl, again t Joseph E. Gilpin. Suit for $93.30, claimed to be balance due on account since '91. Defence claimed that there was nothing due from Mr. Gilpin personally; that the liquors charged for had been purchased for the Chester Social Club by the managers of that organization. Tried before the court. Verdict for defendant. Hynson for defendant; Barroll for plaintiff.

Trial of J. J. Spear.

At one o'clock the case of J. J. Spear, charged with the murder of John Brophy, was called. The sheriff came into the court with the prisoner and he took his place in the box looking remarkably well. Clerk Fisher read the indictment charging him with the murder closing with the query: "What say you, are you guilty of the matter or not guilty?" The prisoner answered distinctly and positively "Not guilty," and asked for a trial by jury. Harrison W. Vickers and Richard D. Hynson appeared for the defense and State's Attorney Slay for the prosecution. The following jury was secured, all the regular panel and a number of talesman being exhausted in doing so; Edward W. Emory, Wm. B. Stephens, Thos. J. Davis, Ray Bowers, Horace A. Willson, Thos. C. Maslin, P. A. M. Brooks, Benj. F. Davis, A. S. Crawford, Findlay Collins, Murray Smith, T. J. Shallcross.

The court (without swearing the last man in order not to keep them together) cautioned the jurors not to talk with any one or allow anyone to talk to them. The facts in the case are briefly: On Nov. 28 Watson Spear, a younger brother of the prisoner, had a difficulty at his home near Massey's with John Brophy, a laborer on the farm. Watson Spear drew a pistol on Brophy who on the following morning went to Millington and swore out a warrant for his (Watson's) arrest upon a charge of having drawn a pistol on him. Jack Spear heard of the occurrence, and on Wednesday, Dec. 6, entered Malsberger's store where Brophy was and an altercation took place, in which Brophy was shot and died from the wound on the following Sunday. The prisoner is 26 years of age. The following witnesses were the "recognized" witnesses in the case: A. H. Malsberger, L. C. Clarke, Dr. E. G. Clark, James Voshell, J. W. Weber, Jas. Thompson, Elmer Jarman, Holden Ireland, C. F. Thomas, Robert Galloway, J. M. Rowe, J. H. Bowers, B. Solloway, Jr., J. E. Hines, Joshua Galloway, W. H. Cacy, H. B. Massey, Fred Numbers, C. J. Scott, Fred. Vansant, Isaac Gibbs, Mrs. S. E. Spear, W. W. Spear, C. S. Stevens, J. E. Spear, Dr. J. W. Latimer, C. S. Hurlock, A. F. Huey, B. M. Hazell.

FRIDAY.

The court-room was literally packed with people anxious to hear the Spear case. John M. Rowen was the first witness, and he was followed by Carroll Clark, A. H. Malsberger, Fred. C. Numbers, Dr. Comegys, James H. Davis, Watson Spear, Joshua Galloway, Robert Galloway, James Spear, Dr. Latimer, Dr. E. G. Clark. Here the court adjourned until 6 P. M.

The prisoner, Spear, was put on the stand and testified in his own behalf. He admitted the shooting but said it was in self-defense. He struck Brophy, and the latter picked up a heavy weight and raised it to throw before he shot. Other witnesses testified that Spear said "Don't raise your arm or I'll shoot." Brophy said "you'll have to shoot then," and raised the weight, when Spear shot. It was testified that Spear asked whether Brophy was in the store before he entered.

The grand jury was discharged at 12 M.

EVENING SESSION.

The testimony was closed and the court adjourned till 9½ this morning, when the counsel will argue the case and it will be given to the jury.

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influence to secure the entire trade of the Eastern Shore for Baltimore.

Comfort for Travelers.

The Armstrong House continues to entertain the traveling public in a way that makes its guest feel that it is not so bad to be away from home, after all. It was established in 1888, since which time it has been notable for the egcellency of its accommodations and in the variety of its table. Mr. Joseph E. Gilpin is the landlord, and he keeps the accommodations of the house in first-class style. The teams sent out by the livery which is run in connection with the house are of the best. Mr. Gilpin is personally popular all over Kent county. In 1868 and 1869 he was Sheriff of the county, and, besides making a careful officer, he was honored and respected as a citizen and as a man. Mr. Gilpin's personal popularity makes his house a meeting-place for leading men from all parts of the county when they visit Chestertown.

Anything on Wheels.

One of the largest firms on the Eastern Shore in its line of business is the carriage and wagon firm of Chapman & Lambert. This firm manufactures nearly everything that runs on wheels. It has long been known to the people of Kent county as the place to get a turnout as reliable as Oliver Wendell Holmes' famous "One horse Shay" which would not wear out. Chapman & Lambert were established in 1858. Their work is of the best quality.

Dainties for the Palate.

The Eastern Shore is remarkable for the lavishness of its food supply, and the traveler thinks he has found the climax of this plenipotence and variety when he steps into the dining room of Wright's Hotel at Chestertown. This house is famous for the excellence of its menu and the attractiveness that characterizes the serving of its meals. Its tables are loaded with all the delicacies that the palate of an epicure could wish. All the food products that make the Chesapeake bay region notable are at its command, and it does not have to wait and buy in stale markets after two or three shipments and handlings, as is frequently the case with the metropolitan hotels, but selects his food fresh from the first producer. Adding to this the prompt service and accommodation of a metropolitan hotel, it is little wonder that it is always patronized. It is furnished in excellent style throughout. Its genial landlord, Mr. Robert H. Wright, takes a personal interest in the comfort of his guests and is unceasing in his attention to increase the pleasure of their sojourn under his roof. He has been the proprietor of the place for five years. The hotel has 32 rooms, with all the appurtenances of a first-class house.

How the Markets are Supplied.

The Sassafras River Steamboat Line is one of the best connecting links between the abundant resources of the Eastern Shore and the waiting markets of Baltimore. It has been so long in the business that its reputation is fully established as a fast and safe line for conveying the perishable fruits and garden produce across the bay. It is excellently equipped for its purpose, and is kept in excellent condition through the efforts of Capt. William Cundiff, who is in charge. It will soon begin its daily round trips. It stops at Pool's Island, Worton Manor Beach, Buck Neck, Harris' Wharf, Betterton, Turner's Creek, Cassidy's Wharf, Shallcross' Wharf and Georgetown.

Rest for the Weary.

The Voshell House will always be a haven of rest to the weary traveler who can reach it. Mr. J. Henry Hurtt is the proprietor. He has been in the hotel business for six years. The Voshell is one of the finest hotels on the Eastern Shore. It has accomodations for 60 guests. Mr. Hurtt, the popular landlord, makes a specialty of catering to traveling men, and his house is known far and wide. Many commercial travelers make it a point, if they have to be away from home over Sunday, to reach Chestertown and spend the day at Mr. Hurtt's hostelry. A first-class livery is attached to the hotel. The house is furnished completely for its line of business. Mr. Hurtt is a native of Kent county. He lived all his life at Millington till the last six years. He has a large circle of friends. J. Hamiton Gray is the clerk.

The KENT NEWS one of the most enterprising papers in the State, is published in this town. The senior editor, William B. Usilton, has been connected with the paper for 30 years. Fred G., his son, purchased the interest of the late James H. Plummer three years ago, and is now associated with his father. Steam was introduced in the office three years ago. A folder is required to fold the large number of papers sent out The circulation is claimed to be the largest on the Eastern Shore.

No Liquor Sold There.

Worton Manor Beach is a popular pleasure resort on the Eastern Shore. Mr. Jno. Gale is the proprietor. The place is especially reccommended to churches, Sunday-schools and other bodies desiring a quiet pleasure ground. No liquor is sold there. It is 28 miles from Baltimore. It has the attractions of bathing, boating and fishing. There is a half mile bicycle track in excellent condition.

DOGS KILLED.—Mr. Wm. B. Stephens, of Worton, killed four of his hounds a few days ago. Two of them showed signs of madness, and, to prevent trouble, he shot all the dogs on the place. A sensible act

SHAD PLENTIFUL.—Capt. Jas. H. Thompson says there are more shad being caught in Chester river by Chestertown fishermen than he has seen caught for thirty years. Shad sold as low as twenty-five cents per pair.

The Delaware M. E. Conference adjourned last Sunday evening. Among the changes were Chestertown, N. B. Snowden; Coleman, R. G. Riley; Fairlee, C. W. Moore; Melitota, N. D. Scott; Pomona, L. E. Toulson; Still Pond F. J. Lee; Rev. J. W. Diggs the former pastor at Chestertown has made a good pastor and the people are sorry to lose him.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

County commissioners met on Tuesday with a full board present. Sundry local laws having been received, an order was passed ordering the same to be published in pursuance of section 4, art. 76, of the Code of Public General Laws. T. F. Joiner, 5th district, recommendation for pension considered and pension of $10, subject to taxes, ordered. Malinda Apsley's of $12 ordered continued for 1894. Samuel R. Scoone's application for abatement of personal property, ordered made as per statement filed; also P. F. Pearce's application on dwelling. Board further engaged in examining, approving and passing accounts for payment by orders on treasurer and levy in 1894.

Baltimore City Market.

The following quotations are from the Baltimore papers of yesterday:

Wheat, Longberry	60c.@63c
" Fultz	59c.@62c
Corn, White	45c.@47c
" Yellow	43c.@44c
Oats	37c.@38c
Butter	18c.@23c
Eggs	11c.@12c

PREACHING at Worton Presbyterian Church Sunday morning, 10.30 by REV. MR. ESTLIN.

MONEY TO LOAN
on Good Farms in Kent County.
JOHN D. URIE,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.

Look at This!

JOHN L. BYROM, Locust Grove,
is ready to Paint and Trim your Carriages Paint your Wagons and Dearbors at short notice and at Lowest Prices. Prices range from $5 to $12. Give me a trial. I will do my best to please you.
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DR. CHAS. R. TWILLEY,
A Graduate of the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery,

having located in Chestertown, office in connection with his father, on Main street, is prepared to perform all the operations in Dentistry in the most approved style.
☞Extracting Teeth Without Pain.
Special attention paid to crown and bridge work, also filling teeth with gold and other materials.

GRAND SPRING OPENING!
WE call the attention of the public to the beautiful Spring opening of our Millinery Department. We have the most
LAVISH DISPLAY of MILLINERY!
that has ever been seen in the town and at reasonable prices. We have made a specialty in CHILDREN'S HATS. Every conceivable style has been shown, together with a most beautiful display of FLOWERS, PLUMES and RIBBONS, and at prices that defy competition. NOTIONS of all kinds, such as Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Toilet Articles, etc., kept in stock.
We are better prepared than ever to serve the public, and solicit your patronage.
MISSES CORA AND HATTIE REED,
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SPRING FERTILIZERS!
Chester Compound
M. P. COMPOUND,
THE HOME,
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—FOR SALE BY—
THOMAS W. ELIASON.
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FLOUR!
Large Stock! Superior Grades!
LOW PRICES!
Our Little Beauty Flour
STILL QUICK SELLER, AND NOW FOR THE
Cash Only $3.75 per Bbl.
☞ALL FLOURS correspondingly low.
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YOU WILL FIND A FULL LINE OF
MASURY'S
Ready-Mixed Paints!
LEADS, VARNISHES,
Colors ground in Oil and Japan.
DRY PAINTS by the Pound or Barrel,
PAINT BRUSHES, all sizes and kinds.
A FULL LINE of OILS!
GLASS! GLASS! GLASS!
ALL SIZES, BY DOZEN OR BOX.
☞Call and look at our stock before buying as we can save you money.
PERCY T. McFEELY,
FURNITURE and PAINT STORES,
m10-tf. oppo. Vosheli House.

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Spring Season Has Opened
—AND—
PRICES WAY DOWN!
FRUIT OF THE LOOM MUSLIN,
1 Yard Wide, 3 1-4 Cents.
Androscoggin Muslin, 1 yard wide,
7 1-2 cents per yard.
Good Quality Sheeting, - 18 cts.
Good Apron Ginghams, - 5 "
Best Plain Prints, fast colors, 5 1-2c.
Full Line of OTHER DOMESTICS
AT BOTTOM PRICES.
Also, A Full Line of the LATEST STYLES of
DRESS GOODS!
with Trimmings to match. Laces, Hamburgs and Notions of all kinds.
Our Millinery Department!
is now ready with a Full Line of SPRING GOODS
☞Come and see us before buying.
A Fashion Sheet given to every customer FREE. We will also furnish all kinds of patterns.
☞A Full Line of LADIES CAPES, just received.
Remember the place.
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March 24, 1894. CHESTERTOWN, MD.

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J. K. B. EMORY & CO.,
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March 24, 1894. CHESTERTOWN, MD

A CIRCUS
ON THE BILL-BOARDS
and a circus on circus day are two kinds of a thing. The greatest circus is usually on the Bill-boards, and the circus on Circus Day is consequently a disappointment. There is, of course, the occasional exception which proves the rule. McCormick Binders and Mowers are an exception. Their promise on the "Bill-boards" is always fulfilled on "Circus Day." For years the makers of McCormick Grain and Grass Harvesters have been telling the World that they could and would at any time demonstrate the superiority of their machines in the actual competitive field test. The "Bill-boards" of other manufacturers have glaringly proclaimed that *their* machines are the best. But "Circus Day" came at length. The World's Fair urged all these manufacturers to take their machines into the field that the results might be compared. The McCormick was there; its show went on. It's promises to the World were