Kent News.

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PLAY BALL!

Again W. C. Beats a Baltimore Team—Notes Here and There from the Diamond.

For the third consecutive time this season the Washington College Baseball team has made Baltimore bite the dust. A team known as the Peabodys came to town last Saturday and spent the afternoon chasing the ball around the College Campus. W. C. swiped the ball and Burris was invincible with his splendid support. This tells the whole story. The best team in Maryland would have been as completely at W. C.'s mercy as the Peabodys for the boys were in fighting trim. Burris and Zearfoss were terrors to the City lads and the good support they received speaks volumes for a successful baseball season.

The game started with the Peabodys at the bat. Purdy faces Burris and is thrown out on a play from pitcher to first; Causie goes to bat, but is taken sick and Marshall takes his place and is also thrown out at first. Burris strikes the next man out. W. C. makes no runs in her half of the first. In the second the Peabodys go out in one, two, three order. W. C. also fails to score, but is beginning to find the ball. Again the city boys get a goose egg in their half of the third, but Stidham makes a run for W. C. after placing a corking hit in left. Massey also makes a run. The score is two to nothing and Burris is pitching a fine game. Turner for the visitors is also pitching a good game, but is being hit frequently. In the fourth the Peabody's draw another blank and W. C. comes in and draws one, also. The fifth saw the Peabodys very near scoring, for Gorman makes the only hit made off of Rurris during the game. But, the fine battery work and the quick fielding clears the clouds away and the inning closes with their run column still blank. W. C. goes out in one, two, three order. The sixth is the same old story for the Baltimore boys, but the tale is different for the College chaps. Baltimore is blanked. Stidham starts this inning with a hit, Burris gets his base and Zearfoss brings them both in. Cameron and Davis go out and the score is four to nothing in W. C.'s favor. The city boys are getting desperate and Turner is taken out of the box and Marshal substituted. But, the new pitcher is hit more severely than Turner, for W. C. in this inning pile up five runs, while the Baltimores again fail to score. In the eighth Mang. Perkins is seen consulting Capt. Zearfoss and the "bleechers" suspect something and are introduced to Davis, who takes Burris' place in the box. Up to this time not a run had been made off of Burris and only one hit. The universal opinion was that the Peabodys would have been shut out had Burris stayed in, though it was a good experiment to try Davis. The city boys make two runs in this inning and the home club fails to score. The ninth adds one more run to the visitors' total and the game is ended with the score 9 to 3 in W. C.'s favor.

Mr. Horace Beck, umpired and gave general satisfaction to both sides.

Washington College.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Deakyne, 2b	0	0	6	2	0
Stidham, 3b	2	3	0	1	0
Burris, p	2	1	1	3	0
Zearfoss, c	2	1	12	3	0
Cameron, s. s	1	1	0	1	0
Davis, 1b	1	1	6	2	1
Boston, l. f	0	2	1	0	0
Brown, c.f	0	1	0	0	1
Massey, r. f	1	0	1	0	0
Totals	9	10	27	9	2

Peabodys.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Purdy, 3b	0	1	2	2	0
Causie and Marshal, s. s	1	1	1	2	0
Mudge and Mahon, l. f	0	0	1	1	2
Davis, 2b	0	1	1	3	0
Kelley, c	0	1	9	0	1
Gorman, c. f	0	1	1	0	2
Mahffey, 1b	1	1	8	0	0
Turner, p	1	0	0	3	1
Register, r. f	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	3	6	24	11	4

Struck out—Burris, 11; Davis, 1; Turner, 5 Marshal, 3. Two base hits—Stidham, 2; Burris, Zearfoss, and Boston. Base on balls—Turner, 2; Burris, 2; Davis, 1.

We suppose the sporting readers of the NEWS in the fifth district will understand this game. We publish the score verbatim as received from "King Crab".

"The first game of ball between the Hickory Thickets and the Eastern Neck Island Club, was played last week, and resulted in a victory for the "Thickets" by a score of 16 to 5. The clubs took positions as follows:

Thickets.	R.	East Neck Island.	R.
Uncle John, 2b	3	James Morris, 2b	0
Buster, 1b	1	Jarret Price, 1b	1
Fletcher, 3b	1	Chas. Wilson, 3b	0
Jumpbacker, s. s	1	J. Kendal, s.s	1
Robin, p	2	Bennett Wilson, p.	0
Old Sides, r.f	1	Notley Wilson, r.f.	1
Whiskers, c. f	3	Thomas Wallis, c.f.	1
Tucker, c	1	Fred. Willum, c	1
Biddle, l. f	2	Morris Wilson, l. f.	0
Total.	16	Total	5

Score By Innings.

Hickory Thicket	6	5	3	2	3—16
East Neck Island	1	3	0	1	0— 5

Umpire, Sixty and Camp. Old Sides, Whiskers and Uncle John played a good game as usnal. We extend a challenge to the Betterton Base-Ball team."

Centreville 18. Second Team of W. C. 3.

The second team of Washington College went to Centreville on Tuesday and were completely vanquished. The Centreville *Observer* says, "notwithstanding the fact that the college team was composed of young gentlemen who played very creditable ball, they were outplayed by the home boys at every point. Then too the college boys lacked grit. There were one or two innings in which Centreville scored runs as a result of nothing but a bunching of inexcusable errors on the part of the visitors. They lost their nerve at critical points of the game. The home boys on the contrary played a remarkably steady game. But after all the credit of the game belongs to Pitcher Bramble. The outfield of Washington College is entitled to commendation for their splendid work."

The following are the teams.

W. C.—Faithful, 1b.; Patton, 3b.; Holloway, c.f.; Ward, l.f.; Longfellow, r.f.; Dudley, s. s.; Usilton, p.; Cannon, c.; Brinsfield, 2b.

Centreville — W. Armstrong, 3b.; J. Armstrong, s.s.; H. Bramble, c.f.; Painter, l.f.; Morgan, 2b.; Straughn, r.f; Price, 1b.; E. Bramble, p.; Watson, c.

Umpires, Golsborough and Zearfoss.

Hits—W. C. 6; Centreville, 8.

Errors—W. C. 25; Centreville, 5.

Bramble struck out 15 and Usilton 3.

AT THE BAT.

Brown is laid up with a sprained ankle.

The playing of Deakyne at second was refreshing; Stidham batted terrifically.

Many of the patrons think that Brown would show up better if he was placed in the infield.

Zearfoss is suffering with his knee. The same old trouble that worried him before. It was hurt in that Centreville game, two years ago, when he was spiked.

Boston is out of the game for to-day. He hurt his finger in Wednesday's practice, catching a fly ball. He will be very much missed both for his fielding and his batting.

Manager Perkins received a letter Thursday, from the Wyanokes, of Ba'timore, asking for a date. This team expects to beat all the Balto. clubs and then play the strongest state teams for the championship.

One of the greatest improvements at the game Sat. was the absence of the tin horns and whistles. It was a pleasure to be on the "bleechers" and enjoy the game, though the "cranks" do yell in your ears at the good plays.

Davis made his bow to the public in last Saturday's game and did very well. Though he is not a Burris, yet he will make a valuable assistant to him in the box. Davis is very speedy and is especially quick in catching men napping on bases.

Maryland Agricultural College to-day. Game called at 1.30. This is the batting order, Harding, c.; Wooters, 3rd.; Barrons, 1st'; Fuller, p.; Harris, 2nd.; Fuller, l.f.; Milleson, s.s.; Walker, r. f.; Roberts, c.f.

Mr. John W. Shuster, gave the W. C. boys a set out on Saturday evening.

AMONG THE BICYCLISTS.

The Chestertown Bicycle Club is enthusiastic over their handicap race next Monday. The course will be ten miles. It runs to Pomona and around by Airy Hill and home, ending at the C. C. C. rooms in Stam's Hall. Five prizes will be given. Those who have entered are: J. D. Lucas, W. W. Chapman, S. Shallcross, Stockton Startt, R. and E. Simpers, F. McWhorter, C. Parks, W. Larrimore, J. Toulson.

The C. C. C.'s were given a grand treat by Mr. J. W. Shuster, the popular restaurant keeper, on Friday of last week in honor of their victory on the baseball field.

Miss Mary Fleming, an enthusiatic cyclist, met with an accident the other day. She was trying to get out of the way of a team and ran into a rock, throwing her off her wheel. She fainted but managed to get home with assitance. She is a genuine wheel crank and still likes her bike.

Miss Gussie Freedman, has taken to the wheel and rides very well. She will ride a Majestic.

Messrs. W. W. Chapman, Sereck Shallcross and Capt. Wm. Taylor paid Easton a visit recently on their wheels.

The Avon Cycle Club Decides on the 26th of September as the Day for Their Circuit Meet.

The Avon Cycle Club has decided upon Thursday, Sept. 26, as the day for the circuit meet in Easton, and have sent a request that that day be assigned them. This meet will be a large one, as it will bring riders and representatives from all the principal towns on the Eastern Shore. Some of the Easton boys are already in training for the opening of the circuit, which will be at Federalsburg on July 4.

On Wednesday, May 15th, the club will have a road race from Miles River Bridge to Easton. The object of the race is to beat ten minutes. The start will be made at the bridge and the finish will be at the junction of Miles river road and West street, at Judge Bennet's corner. The race will be for club members only will start at 3.40 o'clock. On the same evening at 7.30 o'clock a little banquet will be held in the club room for the enjoyment of the members.—*Easton Gazette.*

Election of Officers.— The election of the Building Association officers last Monday evening resulted in the re-election of the old board of officers, as follows: President, Willard Melvin; vice-president, Clinton W. Wroth; treasurer, M. Wilbur Thomas; directors, James W. Chapman, Jas. W. Lambert, Wm. B. Usilton, T. W. Eliason; solicitor, Marion deK. Smith.

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of Chestertown have elected the following officers: President, P. T. McFeely; vice-president, H. M. McWhorter; rec. secretary, Bessie Miller; cor. secretary, Ella Reiche; treasurer, Clara Usilton.

SALLIE DEAN'S MURDERER!

Marshall E. Price Confesses His Bloody Crime.

"I Alone Did It."— He Exonerates Grant Gorkran From All Blame.

Marshall E. Price has confessed that he alone murdered Sallie Dean. The confession was made to the sheriff in Denton on Tuesday last, and was voluntary. The sheriff concluded that Denton would be too hot for Price and that it was wise to remove him before the news of this confession became known to the citizens. It was determined after consultation to take him to Baltimore to avoid lynching.

A 5 o'clock Wednesday morning Price was taken to Queenstown, 20 miles distant, where the steamer B. S. Ford was boarded for the city. Every stateroom on the steamer was occupied, so Price was taken into the bar room and the handcuffs removed to avoid suspicion as to his identity.

But Price's identity beacame known among the passengers, and numbers of them crowded into the bar-room, where they gazed at the young criminal.

No one was allowed to talk to the prisoner, and finally growing weary of the stare of the crowd he gazed out of a port hole on the waters, in which position he remained until the steamer reached Light street wharf.

What the Murderer Says.

"Yes; I murdered Sallie Dean, and I alone. Grant Corkran had nothing to do with it all, and is innocent of it. He was not there when the murder was done, and knew nothing about it until he heard Mrs. Dean cry out when she saw Sallie's body in the field near where he was at work.

"I went into the woods to cut baize on the morning of the murder and it was then I saw Sallie Dean pass along on her way to school. I went up to her and spoke with her for several minutes. After we talked awhile I picked up a stone and suddenly struck her with the same three-cornered stone that was used at the trial. I then cut her throat as she lay on the ground and dragged her body into the bushes and laid a cedar tree over it to hide it. I then buried her books, her lunch pail, the stone and my knife.

"The reason I was so active in searching for the murderer after the body was found was that I did not want the officials to suspect me. After I told my dream to the detectives they suspected me and thought I had murdered Sallie. I accused Grant Cochran because I had spite against him in the first place and also because I was intoxicated when I made my statement to Marshal Frey. After I had accused Corkran I stuck to it because I was positive that if I did not I knew that the people of Caroline county would lynch me if I went back there for trial after confessing. I knew that if I held to what I said about Corkran that I would be safe from harm. I never intended to continue to accuse Corkran, and I now am glad to clear him of suspicion."

Price made his statement without the quiver of a muscle, and displayed no consciousness of the awful confession he was making. He also said that he had been led mainly to confess by a letter he had received from a Baltimore lady, signed "S. M. J., 1423 West Fayette St." The lady, he said, had also sent him a prayer-bood, and had urged him to confess and clear Corkran's character.

A Denton despatch of May 8 says: Marshall E. Price who was convicted of the murder of Sallie E. Dean, and who is confined in the county jail here, got stationery and wrote to Dr. Duhadaway, Thomas Todd and others, from whom he had stolen articles at various times, and asked them to visit him. Dr. Duhadaway came on Sunday, and Price told him he broke into his house in February, 1894, and took some surgical instruments, a set of gold shirt studs and a bottle of chloroform. He had lost two of the studs, but taking one from the shirt he wore and which he wore during the trial handed it to the Doctor, who recognized it. He said he kept the bottle of chloroform, which was about two-thirds full, until the day before the murder, and intended to put turpentine in it. The preachers of town visited Price frequently and talked to him about his spiritual welfare, but to all appearances no serious impressions have been made upon him. He boasts of his nerve and the fact that his appetite is good and that his sleep is unbroken.

It is estimated that the arrest, conviction and execution of Price will cost Caroline county $4,000. The reward of $500 that was offered for the arrest and conviction of Sallie Dean's murderer will be paid by the county commissioners to Detectives Gault and Seibold.

DIED.

At Edesville, Md., on May 3d, 1894, JAMES THOMAS, infant son and youngest child of James E. and Mary H. Blackiston, of whooping cough and pneumonia, aged 1 year, 10 mos.

CHRIST M. P. CHURCH—The pastor, REV. S. R. MURRAY, will preach at 10½ A. M. and 7.45 P. M. The morning announcement for the S. African delegate is recalled. The evening theme will be Rev. vi.—the four horses and their riders; the soul under the altar; the falling stars, ect. Please bring bibles with good print, and follow the lesson for the evening. All probationers of Christ M. P. Church are requested to meet the pastor and advisory committee Sunday morning at the close of the service.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Worton, REV. K. M. BULL, Pastor. Sunday-school at 9.30 A. M. Preaching at 8 P. M.

THE First Quarterly Conference of Still Pond and Betterton Churches will be held in Still Pond Methodist Episcopal Church, May 4th at 3 P. M. Lovefeast on the 5th at 9.30 A. M., and preaching by the Presiding Elder, Rev. A. Smith, D. D., at 10.30 A. M.

FRUIT OUTLOOK.

What of the Peaches?—Other Fruits and Berries.

Home-grown strawberries are expected in our market about the last of next week if the weather is favorable. Mr. C. H. Jefferson, just over the river, will be about the first to bring in the luscious berry. He says he never had prettier vines, and his crop promises a good yield.

In the cities the season for the Southern berries is now at its height, and they are selling at from ten to twenty cents per quart retail.

New potatoes—from the city—are retailed here at 40 cts. per half peck. They bring from $6 to $7 per barrel.

We stated last week that the pear crop was badly injured by the six days' rain. We have confirmation of this on further inquiry, and the Milford *News* says the same of the crop in Delaware—"the rains have washed the pollen and blossoms off the newly opened pet buds."

Are the Peaches Killed?

"How about Peaches?" is the serious query among the many interested in this crop so vital to Kent county as well as many other sections of the State. Last week it was hard to find one who thought the crop injured by the rains. It is not so this week. Many think that serious injury has occured.

Mr. Wilbur Eliason, who is one of our most extensive peach growers, and a gentleman of specially good judgement in the matter, says the yellow varieties of peaches are very seriously injured. He examined his orchards and finds the proportion of live buds about one in a hundred in several leading varieties. The cause he attributes to the washing away of the pollen before it had done its work of fertilizing the young fruit.

Judge Wm. S. Walker thinks that much of the young fruit is killed but that there are enough left alive to make a fair crop. His orchards showed a very small bloom.

Commissioner Groves also takes a very encouraging view of the situation. The long rains no doubt rotted much of the fruit under the bloom-cap, but the quantity of live buds left will be sufficient for a big crop.

Mr. Chas. Beck, on the Primrose Point farm, left at the NEWS office last Tuesday a number of sample peach-tree branches of different varieties, which show enough live peaches on them to give a full crop.

Mr. Edward Lusby says his yellow fruit is certainly "gone up." The six days' rain was too much for it. He has some fruit left on young trees, especially among the earlier varieties—that which brings so little money.

Mr. R. G. Nicholson, our "Little Grove" Nurseryman and peach grower, also takes a very gloomy view of the fruit outlook. He says the crop is very badly hurt if not destroyed—the earliest bloomers being hurt worst.

Mr. James H. Baker, of Pomona, is very cautious in expressing an opinion. He says there never has been a prospect for a '93 crop; the lack of the fertilizing pollen, by being washed off, has destroyed many more, and though there may be enough left for a fair crop there is no certainty of their remaining on the trees.

Mr. Romie Skirven, Worton, is sure that the crop is seriously hurt but does not think it destroyed yet. His orchard is very much short of a crop—one cause operating against it being a good crop last year.

Messrs. Wm. DeFord and Wm. T. Slagel, on the Queen Anne's side of Chester river, opposite Chestertown, also think the peaches seriously hurt by the rains—that a crop of the standard yellow varieties is now out of the question. The early fruit—the trashy stuff, that always promise well but seldom matures—seems least hurt.

Mr. Harry C. Willis, at Nicholson's Station, says the fruit in his neighborhood is seriously injured.

Mr. E. A. Corey, on the Barnard farm, thinks the late rains and fogs have "about fixed them."

Mr. Alex. H. Crew near town, believes the crop very badly hurt. There may be some early fruit left, but the prospect for standard yellows is gloomy.

Mr. John Brice, who has taken the most encouraging view all along, is now much shaken in his faith of a crop. All the best varieties are badly hurt by the washing away of the pollen and the dampness rotting the fruit under the cap. Smock is worst hurt, and all the yellow varieties are "about gone up." The leaves on many trees are scalded.

Mr. Vic Hendrickson says the crop is seriously hurt without a doubt, but can't say yet that *all* are dead.

Injury in Delaware is serious, if we may judge by the following from the Wilmington Morning *News* of Wednesday:

"Lovers of peaches and cream would have felt their hearts sink within them had they heard Professor F. D. Chester, of Delaware College, tell of advices received from farmers throughout the peach belt last night. From these, he said he believed that three-fourths of the peach crop this year would be destroyed. He made the prospects of the peach crop the subject of an interesting talk before the Natural History Society.

"The professor said that the recent rainy weather had caused fungi to grow on the trees. This blight was destroying the crop and very few orchards were free from this growth. Professor Chester is very much interested in the peach crop, and besides his own investigation in the peach district nearest home, he received numerous letters from further down the state. There the storm was much worse and more prolonged than the storm in this vicinity. The talk was very interesting, but not of a nature to make his listeners particularly cheerful."

The Courts.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Tuesday, May 7, 1895, full board present. Robert Kemble, keeper of Chester bridge, reported and paid over $5 fines collected for bicycle riding and fast driving on Chester bridge. Capt. Jas. H. Thompson, wharf master at public wharf at Chestertown, presented his written report under oath, for wharfage collected for past year ending May 1st, amounting to $49.30, which, less his commisions, was paid into the hands of the commissioners. James Pennock and wife, col., were allowed a pension of $15 upon the recommendation of citizens of Sassafras. Benj. H. Coburn presented his bond as constable of Kent county in and for 5th election district, which was examined and approved. Board was further engaged in examining and approving accounts for payment and noting transfers and abatements.

ORPHANS' COURT.—Present Judges Harris, Moffett and Burgess. Letters of administration C. T. A. were granted to Henry Tonkin and Julian T. Power on the estate of Edward J. Power, and H. Clay Hendrickson and John P. Ahern were appointed to appraise said estate. The last will of Ann E. Elliott was admitted to probate. Letters testamentary were granted to Charles W. C. Johnson on the estate of Ann E. Elliott, and Fred. G. Usilton and Samuel Merritt were appointed to appraise said estate. Elizabeth B. Turner, executrix of Richard T. Turner, filed second and final administration accounts.

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