The Kent News

CHESTERTOWN, MD., - JAN. 21, 1899

JOE. WRIGHT'S DEATH WARRANT!

He is to be Hung Friday, March 24 in the Jail Yard in Chestertown!

Governor Lowndes has designated Friday, March 24, for the execution of Joseph Wright, colored, who killed William Newton, colored, in Kent co., November 4, 1897. Wright was tried in Talbot county and convicted May 28, 1898, and sentenced on June 6 to death by hanging. The case was taken to the Court of Appeals, where the decision was adverse to the prisoner.

The murder occurred in Wm. Simmons' store, near Lynch's Station in a settlement known as Big Woods. Joe. Wright had been drinking and in leaving the store stumbled over Wm. Newcomb's feet. A few words passed when Wrignt pulled out a pistol and killed Newcomb. The deceased was a good citizen aged 49 while the murderer was a native of Cecil and a man of ill repute. He is about 22 yrs. old.

The prisoner's counsel, Messrs. R. D. Hynson and H. W. Vickers, exhausted every means to save his neck, and it was thought they had succeeded, but not so, the courts have decided every point and Wright must suffer the extreme penalty of the law. There is some sympathy for the condemned man and it was reported some days ago that the Governor would be petitioned to commute his penalty to a life imprisonment. The "death watch" has been appointed—Mr. J. Frank Connelly and Mr. Thos. Storks—and the prisoner will have every facility for spiritual instruction he may desire.

The death warrant was read to the condemned man Monday afternoon by Sheriff Bedford Roe in the presence of Deputy Gill, Mr. John Brice and several others. The prisoner did not seem to realize the importance of the document and uttered not a word.

Local Matters in the Comptroller's Report.

We are indebted to the State Comptroller's Office for a copy of the annual report for the fiscal year 1898 of Comptroller Phillips L. Goldsborough. It is a neatly printed document from the press of The Dorchester Standard, Cambridge.

The readers of the KENT NEWS will doubtless be most interested it its local figures: County Clerk J. T. Dixon reports total receipts from Dec. 1, '96 to Dec. 1, '97 $4,238.63. Expenses—clerk hire $1,238.63; salary $3,000.

Register of Wills J. T. Dixon from Dec. '95 to Dec. '96—total receipts $1,135.91. From '96 to Dec. 1, '97 $1,381.26.

State's Attorney J. D. Urie receipts for the year 1897, $1,070.43. For the year 1898, $1,686.50.

Sheriff James A. Casey—State funds received and paid over $856.75.

Disbursements to Washington College, Shrewsbury and Millington Academies $9,075.00.

The assessed value of property in Kent for 1898, $7,514,200, which paid the State $13,337.71.

Receipts from Clerk Fisher for traders license, balance $209.95; from Clerk Dixon $2,265.27; for billard table $47.50; exhibition license $173.85; civil commissions $74.10; cigarette license $38; oyster fines $128.25; tongs scrape license $28.80; Chesapeake Bay fishery license $90.25.

Disbursements by State on account of free school books—in Kent $2,925.35.

Due from tax collectors—G. O. Roeder $52.43; W. D. Burchinal $84.04; Jas. L. Beck $179.82.

The war with Spain cost the State $125,000 which is expected to be returned by the government.

The tax basis of the State is $603,326,096, a decrease of $4,639,176 from last year, all of which is due to shrinkage in Baltimore city.

The receipts from the oyster funds foot up $58,227.34, and the expenditures $55,083.92. The Comptroller says it is utterly impossible to maintain the State Fishery Force upon such revenue; the navy cannot be maintained for less than $60,000.00. Legislation is recommended.

A TRAMP in Port Deposit got more than he bargained for from a lady householder. The other morning one of these fellows entered the residence of Mr. Wiley, musical director at the Jacob Tome Institute in Port Deposit, under the pretense of repairing flues. Finding no one at home, but Mrs. Wiley, he demanded something to eat, and upon being refused became very impudent and threatening. Mrs. Wiley quietly went to her room and procured a revolver, pointed it at the intruder and said: "Leave or I'll shoot." The man made good his escape. It was well that he did or a dead tramp would have speedily resulted. This lady is true grit.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

MR. AND MRS. GARRETSON SMITH, of Queen Anne's, have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Miss Pearle, to Mr. Isaac Sparklin, Wednesday, January 25th, at 4 o'clock, in the Hillsboro M. E. Church.

A FEW NIGHTS since a thief gathered four chickens into a bag from the barn of Mr. John Meredith, just below Elkton, and started with them toward the railroad. On his way he attempted to cross the ice pond of Mr. McNeal, but had not gone far before he broke through the ice. In his alarm he dropped his plunder, where it was found the next morning.

THRILLING EXPERIENCE.

The Narrow Escape of Two Men From Death at Elkton.

Thomas Hammond, aged twenty-eight years, of Banks, Cecil county, and Chas. Owens, aged nineteen years, of Perryville, had a narrow escape from death at the Elkton passenger station last Saturday night. They boarded the Washington and Philadelphia express train at Perryville. They were hidden between the engine and baggage car. When the train reached Elkton they jumped over the entertrack fence and saw the Chesapeake and Ohio express southbound coming on at the rate of a mile a minute! They were almost paralyzed at the sight of the train, which was bearing down on them and knew well if they attempted to cross the track they would be killed. With a most wonderful nerve and presence of mind they grasped the track fence and drew themselves off the track close to the fence just as the express went flying by. The space between the train and fence is not over a foot. How they escaped with their lives is a miracle. Their clothes were torn from them and each man suffered a fracture of the arm. They were assisted to the depot and Dr. Charles M. Ellis, the company's physician, reduced the fractures.

BIGGEST SHIP IN THE WORLD.

The Oceanic, Of The White Star Fleet, To Be Launched Today At Belfast.

The biggest ship the world has ever seen will be launched today at Belfast, Ireland.

This leviathan of the deep will be christened the Oceanic and destined to be the Queen of the White Star fleet. Her total length is 704 feet, and what this means may be gathered from comparison with the largest ship now afloat, the Kaiser Wihlem der Grosse whose length is 684.

The greatest predecessor of the Oceanic was the world-famed Great Eastern, whose length is exceeded in the new steamer by 24 feet. However the Great Eastern still remains the largest ship so far as bulk is considered. In the days when she was built speed was sacrificed to carrying capacity to a great extent and boats were built broader and deeper.

Where the Great Eastern was 83½ feet in breadth, the Oceanic is only 78 feet, and while the Great Eastern was 58 feet deep, the Oceanic is only 44 feet. The approximate tonnage of the new steamer is 17,140, while the great Eastern had a tonnage of 22,500.

In general appearances the Oceanic will resemble the Teutonic and Majestic, the next largest vessels of the line, but she is as large as the two together. Compared with warships she is equal to the two largest cruisers in the world put together—the Powerful and Terrible, of the English navy. Also she is equal to the monster English battle ships Royal Sovereign and Royal Oak.

A GOOD STORY TELLER.

Mr. Higgins was a good story-teller and always enjoyed telling stories on himself or his friends. He used to tell one about the troubles he had as appointment clerk in the Treasury Department.

"There was a fellow," he said, "who came in every day looking for a place. I finally told him that if he would find a vacant place I would try to get it for him. He would search the records and bob up occasionally with some place which he said was vacant. I invariably told him that the place in question had been filled. He kept on the hunt for a week or two, but finally became tired and I wasn't bothered by him for some time. One day he rushed in and exclaimed:

"'I have found a place that is vacant and I want you to get it for me, as you promised.'

"I asked him what place it was and he explained that he had just seen a drowned man pulled out of the water and, in going through his pockets, papers were found which showed that he held an office in the Treasury Department.

"'That man's place has been filled,' I said.

"'Why, that's impossible,' he exclaimed. 'I saw him pulled out of the water dead not half an hour ago, and the coroner is now holding an inquest over him.'

"'That's all right about seeing him pulled out of the water,' said I, 'but the man who saw him fall overboard has got the place.'"

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Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Study Your Interest and Insure Your Property in the

MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.
OF KENT COUNTY.

ITS TOTAL ASSETS ARE:

STOCKS, BONDS, REAL ESTATE and CASH -	$64,608 08
PREMIUM NOTES - - -	188,176 00
TOTAL - - - - -	$252,784 08

Their New Policies cover all losses by lightning whether fire ensues or not.

Their New polices cover all losses from fire occasioned by the use of fire engines when used with proper care. See regulations of policies.

Their New Policies are transferable upon approval of treasurer.

Liberal in Terms and Settlements.

The business of '95, '96, '97 and '98 saved to the policy holders of the company $16,261.92.

The Company during these years also returned to holders of cancelled policies $22,156.55.

Applications for Insurance can be made to

R. W. MOFFETT,	-	Millington
EDW. M. BROWN,	-	Crumpto
C. J. SCOTT,	-	Galena.
JAMES BRICE	-	Chestertown,
GEORGE E. OWENS,	-	Betterton
ELLSWORTH BOWERS,	-	Lynch's.
JOS. DOWNEY,	-	Rock Hall.
A. M. KENDALL,	-	Fairlee.
E. S. VALLIANT & Sons,	-	Church Hill.

THOMAS W. ELIASON, PRES'T.
GEORGE B. WESTCOTT, Sec'y and Treas.

New Year 1899.

Is particularly noticeable here. You'll find a profusion of interesting ideas whose beauty will suggest to you the approaching holiday season. An especially interesting feature are the reasonable, easy-to-pay prices—You'll be impressed with this in every item. You'll agree that the assortment is such as meets the needs of the up-to-date buyer—and that the prices swing along the lines.

Make Your Selections

While you may secure the plums—the best styles—while the assortment is full and complete. We'll store them for you, if you do not wish them delivered at once.

Here's a Little List

just to give you an inkling. An examination of the articles will give you a splendid idea of the values.

Bed-Room Suits.
Side-Boards.
Dining Chairs.
Extension Tables.
Solid Oak $3 up.
Carpets, 2 and 3 ply, all wool.
Best Ingrain in the State 25c
Full stock of Paints, Glass.
Stacks of wall paper and a paper hanger, who knows his business, Mr. W. W. NEEDLES.

JOHN BARTLEY.

Wm. Parr's
Harness and Hardware Store
ON THE CORNER.

HARDWARE
Forks, Shovels, Nails, Hinges, Knives, Bolts, Locks, Stove Pipe.

HARNESS
Carriage and Wagon, Saddles, Bridles, Whips, Belts, Curry Combs, Brushes, Blankets,

Cigars and Tobacco.

PAINTS AND OILS.
Neats Foot Oils, Coal Oil, Linseed Oil,

The Best $10 Harness on the market.
A Good Axe 45c.

REMEMBER the place the Corner Store, formerly occupied by Miss D. A. Crossley. Come and see us. Yours for business,

WM. PARR, STILL POND, MD.

FOR SALE:

20 PURE FEKIN DUCKS.
Also, Pure Light Brahma and Golden Wyandotte CHICKENS.
Order at once and improve your stock. Orders now booked for EGGS. Price $1.50 per 15 Eggs. A pure Cock or pure Drake will improve your common stock.
J. C. SUTTON, Blacks, Md.
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CHARMED AT THE SIGHT..... AND SOUND.

To see and hear the delightful instruments known as the

STIEFF GRANDS PIANOS UPRIGHTS

That exemplify the latest phase of Pianoforte construction. An examination of the Stieff Piano and its comparison with others will soon convince you of the superiority of this instrument.

Catalogue for the asking.
SECOND - HAND INSTRUMENTS.
Tuning Promptly Attended to

Baltimore.....9 N. Liberty St.
Washington,.....521 11th St., N. W.

Everybodys Chance!
RICH and POOR.

THIS is the Banner Month For Bargains in EVERY DEPARTMENT of our Store. Every article named in OURS the lowest and cheapest of Real Bargain offers is just a prelude to still Greater Bargains in all departments too numerous to mention.

13 Bars Largest Soap for 25c.
7 Bars Olene Soap for 25c.
12 Bars Soap, 1 lb Wash Soda 25c
Finest Broom.

Our Tobacco Department
is still at the top with standard finest quality at the old low prices, no tax.

Every Day
we are receiving testimonials that Our COFFEE and TEAS are superior in quality to all others.

Our Effort
to drive BLANKET BARGAINS is meeting every expectation. Lap Robes are especially low.

Our Carpets and Rugs
are the Up-To-Date Bargains, But we don't want you to believe we are selling 75c carpets for (37c).

Cut Prices
on what we have left of our LAMPS, SALAD DISHES and FINE CHAMBER SETS.

Shoe and Boot Department
We are making a greater effort than ever to please the public and what do you infer from such a statement? Why, it is readily seen, our prices are attracting those who wish first-class shoes and bargains. Many other bargains we will be glad to show you.

ORANGES, the best	-	25c. doz.
BEANS, this week	-	5c. qt.
Elastic Starch	-	5c.

Respectfully,

Eggs & Poultry Wanted highest market price paid.

Westcott & Dodd,
CHESTERTOWN, MD.

HAGERSTOWN ALMANAC
FIVE CENTS.
AT
M. A. TOULSON
The Druggist.

W. H. McFEELY & COMPANY
GENERAL INSURANCE AGENTS. } FIRE, LIGHTNING, LIFE.

AGENTS FOR
Royal of Liverpool. . . .
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Pennsylvania of Philadelphia
Philadelphia Underwriters, Pa.
St. Paul, of St. Paul.
—ALSO—
New York Life Insurance Co., of New York.

Prompt attention to all business.
OFFICE No. 232 Main Street, Chestertown, Md.

MEDICAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

I take pleasure in announcing to the friends and patrons of the late Dr. Thos. H. Cooper, and to the public generally, that I have purchased all of Dr. Thos. H. Cooper's SPECIAL REMEDIES, and offer them to the public. The merit of these remedies are widely and well-known, and I am in full possession of his receipts. I was with the late Dr. Cooper for over six years, assisting him in his practice, and feel confident that I can serve and help the sick. Anyone needing these remedies will find me at 344 High Street, next door to McFeely's Furniture Store.
DR. F. W. HODGKIN, Chestertown, Md.
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Announcement to the Public

OF MILLINGTON AND VICINITY

THE Baltimore Bargain Store
Formerly Conducted by SAMUEL KLIWANSKY, Millington, Md.

Will Now Be Conducted by

H. H. BENEMAN,

WITH A NEW AND COMPLETE LINE OF

Men's, Boys', and Children's Clothing,

Dry Goods,
Notions,
Boots and Shoes,
Hats and Caps,
Ladies' & Gent's Furnishings,

And a Full Line of
Furniture
AND
Carpets

THE Public will be guaranteed GOOD GOODS at the lowest prices We are here to do business square with everybody and all who favor us with their patronage can be assured of courteous treatment and fair dealings. We have also engaged the former well-known and popular clerk, JOSEPH BRAVE, who will be pleased to wait on our customers and friends.

BALTIMORE BARGAIN STORE,
H. H. BENEMAN, . Opposite Brick Hotel, Millington, Maryland.

R. BERGEN'S

GREAT

Fall and Winter Clearance Sale

OF

DRESS GOODS,
Ladies', Misses' and Children's
COATS and CAPES.

The balance of our Millinery Stock will be sold at half-price. We must sell to make room for new spring goods. Now is the time to save money by going to R. Bergen's.

Farmers AND Land Owners

Why not Look to Your Interest

Does it pay to let your land sour and degenerate for want of a stimulant? We answer no. The question arises how are we to get the best results from our crops and at the same time raise the standard of our land? We answer by the use of lime. Well, what Lime do you think will give the bes results, we think

The Celebrated Kerr's Wrightsville Lime,

which has stood the test for many years by our oldest and most prosperous land owners. We can furnish you with other limes as you may wish, all of which will be delivered to any station on the Balto. & Del. Bay R. R. at short notice on reasonable terms. Last but not least is the well known

Standard Lime & Stone Company's Lime,

which has been the greatest selling lime on the market; this lime runs 97 per cent. of pure Carbonate of lime. We can deliver this lime by water to any point on the Chesapeake Bay or tributaries on reasonable notice. We would be pleased to have you call on or write us before placing your orders.

COAL and WOOD.

Building and White Wash Lime, Cements, Baled Hay, Roofing Felt and Terra Cotta Piping all of which will be sold at city price. Hoping you may favor us with your orders and we will promise to try and please you. Thanking you for past favors. I remain, yours for business,

eb. 26, '98. J. D. BACCHUS.

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