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Grace M. E. Church south—Rev. J. E. Sturgis, Pastor. Sabbath services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath School 2 p. m. Wednesday evening general prayer meeting.

St. Paul's M. P. Church, East Cambridge—Rev. J. S. Bowers, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath School 2 p. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Waugh Chapel M. E. Church (colored)—Rev. W. H. Thomas, Pastor. Services every Sunday morning, afternoon and night. Sabbath School at 9 a. m.

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Mails.

MAIL going North and South closes at 6.30 A. M. leaves 7.00 A. M., daily. By Balto. at 4:30 P. M.; leaves at 5, daily Arrive at 7:40 P. M., daily. From North by Balto. at 8 A. M. daily, except Monday.

—The Enoch Pratt is back again on the Choptank route, having taken the place of the Highland Light.

—The stone work on the new Episcopal church is being pushed rapidly ahead, and is nearing completion.

—We publish to-day the town ordinance creating the station of health officer, and looking to the sanitary regulation of Cambridge. Read it carefully.

—At the special request of Rev. J. R. Sturgis, we copy from the *Chronicle* his article on "blood stains," which will prove very interesting to the general public at this time. We invite a careful reading of the same.

—The carriage horse of Messrs. Hewes & Hessey ran away on Court street last Monday afternoon, colliding with Mr. Van Vost's front fence, slightly damaging the buggy.

—When physicians recommend Dr. Jones' "Eclectic" Pills for Liver and Kidneys, it is a sure indication that there is some virtue in them. Sold by all dealers in medicine.

—A reunion of the family connections of Mr. Kennerly Wright, numbering about 180 persons, was arranged to take place at Hurlock's last Thursday. Mr. Wright is said to be nearly 90, and still enjoys good health.

—On Sunday night last, Frank Harding's young horse, driven by Al. Grace, returning from Beckwith's camp, ran away while coming down Race street about 11 o'clock, smashing up a new buggy, and slightly injuring the horse.

—Dr. Wm. R. Hayward, trustee, sold at the Courthouse door, in Cambridge, on Tuesday of last week, the Wm. O. Cooper property, situated near World's End Bridge, in Lake's district, to Capt. Frank Johnson, of Baltimore. One small lot was purchased by Wm. L. Cooper, at $51.00.

—The Eastern Shore press was represented in the recent convention by M. S. Mutcher, of the Caroline *Democrat*; G. W. Hadaway, of the *Easton Ledger*; W. Scott Roberts, of the Centreville *Record*. There were several other newspaper men here acting as reporters for their respective journals.

—We surrender much of our space this week to the publication of the county levy for 1884, which necessarily crowds out much reading matter as well as advertisements. Advertisements that are unavoidably omitted will be given the full number of insertions, and all advertisers we hope will consider the situation and find no fault.

—Mr. George H. Schleigh, formerly of Cambridge, died in Baltimore on Monday last, in the 75th year of his age. His remains were brought to Cambridge on Wednesday last and buried in Christ church cemetery, Rev. Dr. Barber officiating. It is said that the deceased's hair, which was very white, commenced turning dark forty-eight hours before death, and assumed an iron-gray color.

—The last *Chronicle* contains the "adieux" of its former editors, Messrs Sulivane & Vinton, and the "announcement" of the new editor, Dr. Shepherd. The Dr. is not altogether unacquainted with newspaper work, having been for some years connected with the city press in the capacity of correspondent, and will no doubt infuse new life into the columns of the *Chronicle*.

—It is said that three "bar's" were tapped and emptied during the two days of the Democratic congressional convention in Cambridge. Whiskey flowed free as water, and if there are any prohibitionists in Cambridge we ask them to note the difference between the methods used by this gathering and the one to assemble here two weeks later. Rum and democracy go hand in hand, and yet the only possible thing the prohibition ticket can accomplish is to help into power its greatest foe—the rum democracy.

—The Republicans of Dorchester will bear in mind the district primaries to be held August 16th, to-day week, for the selection of delegates to the county convention to be held in Cambridge the following Tuesday, at which four delegates to represent Dorchester in the congressional convention which will assemble in Cambridge Thursday, August 28th, to nominate a candidate for congress. We hope our representative men in each district will interest themselves in the primaries, and send good men to the county convention. The indications are good for a republican triumph throughout the country. Let not Dorchester show the least signs of lagging. Blaine and Logan and our candidate for congress ought to have a rousing majority this fall in this county.

—The Cambridge Independent cornet band, under the leadership of Mr. L. W. Andrews, formerly leader of the old band, is progressing finely. The members took their first lesson on Tuesday night week, under the instruction of Prof. H. G. Frankenfield, of Phila. Prof. F. comes well recommended as a band teacher, and from all appearances the band may be able to furnish music for the campaign, under his instructions. The *personnel* of the new band is as follows: L. W. Andrews, 1st Eb cornet; Zora West, 2d Eb cornet; Geo. Meekins, 3d Eb cornet; Oliver Wright, solo Bb cornet; W. E. Meekins and W. S. Phillips 1st and 2d Bb cornets; E. B. Rook, solo alto; Jas. Hubbard, 2d alto; Jerry Young, alto trombone; W. Put. Flint and Wm. Jester, 1st and 2d tenors; Jas. P. Haggett, baritone; Thomas Jackson, Bb bass; Doc. Reese, tuba; R. A. LeCompte, side drum; Sam'l Hopkins, bass drum and cymbals.

—A colored camp-meeting will be held in Jones's woods, near Church Creek, beginning August 22d. P. J. ADAMS, Pastor.

Religious Notice.

On Sunday next, the 10th instant, there will be Divine service (D. V.) at St. James' Chapel, Mapledam, at 9 a. m.

Accident to the Georgeanna.

The steamer Georgeanna left Baltimore on Wednesday morning with 700 or 800 excursionists on board, bound for Cambridge, under the auspices of Joppa Lodge of Masons, and had to run in to Annapolis at 12 M. on account of a leak in her boiler. It took the steamer one hour and twenty minutes to get to Seven-foot knoll. Many of the excursionists were frightened by the accident, and were very glad when a landing at Annapolis was made. The failure of the Georgeanna to reach Cambridge caused much disappointment here, as many of our people were expecting friends. The old fire engine had been brought out and brushed up in anticipation of the visit of the surviving members of the old "Mechanical" fire company, who had arranged to come to Cambridge on Tuesday's excursion.

The Muffers Beat the Pastimes.

The return game of base ball between the Muffers of Cambridge and Pastimes of Taylor's Island was played here on Wednesday, and resulted in a victory for the Muffers, after a well played and closely contested game. The score stood 13 to 17. A large crowd of spectators witnessed the game, and there was apparently more interest centered in the ball field than in the democratic convention, which was then engaged in legrolling on the streets. In the afternoon the Muffers played the Chestertown nine, and by an error in the score, the Muffers were 1 behind on the 4th inning, at which time the game was called. The Muffers saw the weakness of their opponents, and played rather loosely, confident that they could easily beat them, thus allowing them to score several runs on the 4th inning, after which the steamer whistled for them to leave.

Personal Notes.

Rev. T. Snowden Thomas, of the *Peninsula Methodist*, Wilmington, Del., was in town on Tuesday, en route to Beckwith's camp, and gave the ERA a friendly call.

W. R. Reese, of the Crisfield *Leader*, spent the week in Cambridge, accompanied by his family.

Miss Annie Rea, of Baltimore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. D. Noble.

Misses Winterbottom and Helm, of Brooklyn, N.Y., are on a visit to relatives and friends in Cambridge.

Rev. L. E. Barrett and family, of Still Pond, Md., are spending a few days with relatives in Cambridge.

Miss Helen Farquharson and sister, Mrs. Bettie Noble, are visiting their uncle, John R. Creighton.

Mr. E. D. Barney, after a residence of three years in the west, arrived in town this week, in company with his father, Mr. S. C. Barney, of Washington. He will make Washington his home.

Mrs. and Miss Bowers, of Chestertown, mother and sister of Rev. J. S. Bowers, are at the M. P. parsonage, East Cambridge.

Death of Dr. J. Hooper Shepherd

It is with a feeling of much sorrow that we are called upon to-day to chronicle the sudden death of Dr. J. Hooper Shepherd, which occured at 10.30 on Thursday night, at his residence in this town. The Doctor had been unwell for the past week, and was confined to his room part of Tuesday and all day Wednesday, but appeared much better in the evening, and on Thursday was out and at his office, and wrote several local items for the next issue of the *Chronicle*, of which he had assumed the editorship but one week ago. Late in the afternoon he was taken alarmingly ill, and Drs. Steele, Bayly and Goldsborough were called in, but his condition proved to be beyond medical skill, and he expired at the hour named. Death resulted from an attack of Kidney disease, to which it is said he had been subjected for some time. The community mourns the early demise of Dr. Shepherd, as a young man of excellent qualities, who had fitted himself for any of the higher spheres of life, of which, had he lived, would have become an ornament. He was one of the young men of Cambridge that possessed the qualifications for much usefulness, and it is indeed sad that his earthly existence is so early ended. He was in his 25th year. Funeral services Saturday morning at 10.30.

A Novel Petition.

The following petition was sent to the town commissioners by one of our citizens, and read at a recent meeting of the board. Its novel and amusing wording suggested its publication, and it was handed to us for that purpose:

CAMBRIDGE, July 25, 1884.

To the Hon. the Board of Commissioners of the City of Cambridge.

Your petitioner would represent to your honorable body that he is much annoyed by a flock of Shanghi chickens near my garden, and thereunto adjacent is a *demesne* where they most do congregate. They are led by an old Shanghi rooster, with wings of infinity and legs almost to eternity. The division fence, four feet high, he steps over with ease. When he crosses the border the whole army of Shanghi's fall into line, and yesterday I found they had descended upon my cabbages like a "wolf on the fold." I charged on them with my walking stick, wounding one of their leaders. I put them to flight, but they retreated in good order, and when the wounded was cared for, returned again to the charge, the old Shanghi leader crowing defiance at almost every step. I bravely held my ground, determined to not show the white feather, but on account of their numbers the result of the action was doubtful; but fortunately a little bull pup had been skirmishing round in the rear, and now came to the rescue, and thus reinforced we again put them to flight. Your petitioner would further represent that the garden is as level as an open plain. There are no passes, like the Spartans had at Thermopylæ, through which the foe had to approach, or your petitioner might hold the fort. Hoping the council will pass an ordinance prohibiting any further importation of these overgrown, featherless Shanghi's as a *protection* to American gardeners (another plank that should have been placed in the Republican platform.) To this end your petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

List of Letters

Remaining uncalled for in the Post-office at Cambridge, Md., July 26th, 1884. Persons calling for them, will please say advertised letters:

Gents List: Charles W. Allen, Geo. W. Harper, Hooper Jews, Charlie Smith.

Ladies List: Mrs. Violet Austin, Miss Maggie Brannock, Clarissa Dean Mrs. Mary L. Molock, Mrs. Elizabeth Stewart.

T. H. MEDFORD, P. M.

Democratic Congressional Convention—Nomination of Chas. H. Gibson, of Talbot, on the Fifty-first Ballot.

The Democratic Congressional convention for the First district of Maryland assembled in Cambridge on Wednesday last, and was called to order at 12 M. by Mr. W. Spry Sherman, of the Dorchester central committee. Dr. I. H. Houston, of Dorchester, was made temporary chairman, and Dr. G. Paul Jones, of Somerset, and Saml. Vannort, of Kent, secretaries. These were afterward declard the permanent officers of the convention. The eight counties of the district were fully represented. After organizing, the convention took a recess until 2.30, when Dr. Gale, of Somerset, chairman of the committee on resolutions, made a report, which was adopted, endorsing Cleveland and Hendricks and the democratic national platform, (though in all probability not one of the committee had ever read it,) and approving the course of the present representative, Mr. Covington, in congress. Candidates for the nomination were then named in the following order: P. W. Downes, of Caroline, was presented by M. S. Mutcher; Levin L. Waters, of Somerset, by Dr. G. Paul Jones; Chas. H. Gibson, of Talbot, by Ormond Hammond; J. Augustus Parsons, of Wicomico, by Sidney L. Trader, and John B. Brown, of Queen Anne's, by W. Scott Roberts. The first ballot was as follows: Caroline 3 for Downes, Dorchester 4 for Parsons, Kent 3 for Gibson, Queen Anne 4 for Brown, Somerset 4 for Waters, Talbot 4 for Gibson, Wicomico 4 for Parsons, Worcester 2 for Parsons and 2 for Waters. Thirty-one ballots were taken, when the convention seeing no prospect of a nomination, adjourned at 5 p. m. until 8, the last ballot closing with Gibson leading. Re-assembled at 8 o'clock, when 20 more ballots were taken, and on the last ballot, making 51 in all, Gibson received the votes of Kent, Talbot, Wicomico, Worcester, and 2 from Queen Anne's, making 17 votes, and thus nominating him, 16 being necessary to a choice. His nomination was then made unanimous. After naming a committee of one from each county to notify Mr. Gibson of his nomination, the convention at 9.30 adjourned.

TEMPERANCE NOTES.

BY REV. T. O. AYRES.

The Reid's Grove Division, Sons of Temperance, had a picnic at McKendree M. E. Church on Saturday afternoon, the 19th ult. The meeting was opened by Rev. R. B. Hazzard, and addressed by Revs. T. O. Ayres, Vaughn S. Collins and G. F. Hopkins. The people round about Indian Town, Crotcher's Ferry and Reid's Grove have been greatly blessed by the abolition of rum from their midst. And the people of Linkwood district have been as greatly cursed by the setting aside of the law and the setting up of grog shops in the district. Every few days we hear of some violence being committed. Only a short time ago one man shot another, the ball glancing from the skull. Not long since a man took a maul and pounded into fragments all the tableware that was in his house. And, somehow or other, a calf was killed a few days ago. Rum and Riot. The twin It's go hand in hand. Now who is blameworthy for the sorrow and crime resulting from rum in Linkwood district? *Every man who loaned his influence in putting rum into the district.* Is it not strange that the leading men cannot see the state of the case. That life is in danger; that property is depreciating; that morals are suffering loss; that the souls of the people, for whom Christ died, are being rumcrazed and prepared to be cast into outer darkness—sent to hell, to abide under the wrath of God forever. To the rescue, ye men who own the property, for your property is depreciating. We are frequently in receipt of letters from land buyers, asking about land and land agents in Dorchester county, and we feel it a duty we owe to our fellow men to tell them plainly that Linkwood district has the lowest sort of grog shops in it, and that these grog shops cause riot and render life and property unsafe. We say to all land buyers, stay out of Linkwood district till rum is abolished therefrom. And in the same connection we suggest to all property owners and land agents that they have a moneyed interest in *voting* rum out of the district. This idea of the depreciation of property is not a surmise nor a dodge, a trick thrown in as a scarecrow, but a "barbed steel" that should "fright the souls" of honest people and cause them to rush to the rescue of their homes and landed estates and save them both from impending ruin. Not many days ago a gentleman interested in the situation declared that the property in the neighborhood of Jacktown had greatly depreciated since the setting up of the rum shop at that place.

We call the attention of the *Methodists* and *negroes* in Linkwood district to the letter of Rev. J. E. Kidney in the *Era* of July 26th. Notice the language of John H. Holt, who told a Methodist preacher that he (the preacher) was a "damned *old-side* Methodist, and loved, and hugged, and slept with the niggers." Let the Methodists and the "niggers" of Chapel district resent this insult by staying away from that man's store; and let the Methodists and "niggers" of Linkwood district take warning and keep their powder dry till November, then send the rum power to keep company with the rotten things of the dead past. I appeal to Methodist colored people to open their eyes and look around them. They have worked hard and accumulated little homes. Their children are at school; their churches are growing; God is blessing them. Rum sees all of this, and is mad. Rum knows that these school houses and churches are sounding its death-knell and signing its death-warrant; making its pauper coffin, digging its grave and preaching its funeral. And rum *is* mad. Methodists and negroes to the rescue, and save your homes, schools, churches, lives and souls from the destroying demon, *Rum*. I appeal to the pious old men and women of the colored churches to pray night and morning that God will come to the rescue and save the people. The rum men are already boasting that they can buy the votes of the "niggers." Resent this insult to your manhood, colored people, and fling the thirty pieces of silver into the face of the man who asks you to sell your manhood.

—Take C.C.C. for coughs and colds

Money to Buy Votes in Maryland.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—At a meeting of the Democratic Central Committee, held in Vernon Building tonight, the advisability of raising money to send to counties in Maryland, where the party needs boistering, was discussed. A sub-committee was appointed to consider the matter and report.

County Convention.

The Republican voters of Dorchester county are requested to meet at their usual polling places in the several election districts in the county on

SATURDAY, August 16th, 1884.

between the hours of 1 and 4 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of selecting four delegates from each of said districts to meet in County Convention, in Cambridge on

TUESDAY, August 19th, 1884.

to select four delegates to represent Dorchester county in the Convention which meets at Cambridge on

THURSDAY, August 28th, 1884.

to nominate a candidate to represent the First Congressional District of Maryland in the next Congress of the United States.

By order,

Republican State Central Committee.

An Ordinance to Preserve the Health of Cambridge.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted and ordained by the Commissioners of Cambridge, that the said Commissioners shall, upon the adoption of this ordinance, and annually thereafter, elect a resident physician of said town, who shall be styled "The Commissioner of Health," whose duty it shall be to inspect the sanitary condition of said town, and cause to be executed and observed all ordinances for the preservation of the health of the town.

SECTION 2. And be it enacted and ordained, That it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Health, to inspect, at least once in every month, from the first day of March to the first day of November, in every year; and at such other periods as he or the Mayor may direct, all the streets, lanes, alleys, yards, gardens, stables, wharves, wharehouses, cellar, and lots of the town, and all other places he may deem necessary, and to enforce all laws and ordinances having any relation to the public health; and in all cases where he may discover the existence of cesspools, stables, pig-pens, privies, filth, or any other agent, the presence of which is, or will prove dangerous to the health of the town, he shall cause this or any ordinances in existence for its correction to be enforced, or if there be no ordinance in existence competent to the correction of the evil, he shall immediately report the same to the Mayor for official action:—It shall be his duty also to make diligent inquiry into all cases of malignant infections, or contagious diseases, which may occur and cause immediate measures to be taken to arrest their progress, and generally to notice all things that relate to the preservation of the health of the town.

SECTION 3. And be it enacted and ordained, That it will be the duty of the said Commissioner of Health, carefully to inspect all lots, grounds, yards suspected cellars or possessions, and all streets, lanes or alleys within the town, and whenever he shall be of the opinion, that any cellar, lots, ground, yards or possessions within the town are in a state of nuisance, or so situated that in warm or unhealthy seasons a nuisance may be thereby created, deleterious to the health of the citizens, it shall be his duty and he is hereby authorized to serve a written notice or direct one of the bailiffs to serve such notice, on the owner or owners, occupier or occupiers, of his, her or their agent, directing him, her or them, to have said nuisance or cause of nuisance removed, in the manner prescribed in said notice; and if such owner or owners, occupier or occupiers, or his, her or their agent or agents, shall neglect or refuse to comply therewith, he she or they so neglecting or refusing, shall forfeit and pay not less than five nor more than twenty dollars, and the further sum of two dollars for each and every day, he, she or they shall continue to neglect or refuse to comply with said notice, which forfeits shall be recovered by criminal procedure as other fines, forfeitures and penalties are now enforced by the charter and laws of said town; and shall moreover pay the expenses and costs incurred in case such nuisance shall be removed under the direction of the Commissioner of Health, which the said Commissioner is authorized to cause to be done in case of such neglect or refusal the same to be recovered by an action of debt in the name of the Commissioners of Cambridge; and any judgement recovered in such action shall be a lien upon the real and personal property of anyone as aforesaid, neglecting or refusing to abate or remove such nuisance or cause of nuisance, from the date of the entry of said judgement.

SECTION 4. And be it enacted and ordained, That in case no owner, occupier or agent can be found on whom to serve such notice, the said Commissioner is hereby authorized, after five days notice, posted upon the premises, to have any nuisance or cause of nuisance removed, at the expense of the town, in the first instance, and the Commissioner shall report the expense account incurred to the Town Clerk, who shall file the same, to be recovered from the owner when ascertained and found.

SEC. 5. And be it enacted and ordained, That whenever the said Commissioner of Health shall have cause to suspect that any nuisance exists in any house, cellar or inclosure, he may demand entrance therein in the day time, and if the owner or occupier shall refuse or delay to open the same and admit a free examination, he shall forfeit or pay for every such refusal the sum of ten dollars.

SEC. 6. And be it enacted and ordained, That it shall be the duty, of each and every occupant of any house, or owner of any lot within said town, to keep the gutter in front of said house or lot, clean at all times during the months of April, May, June, July, August, September and October, and each and every person herein offending shall forfeit and pay fifty cents.

SEC. 7. And be it enacted and ordained, That if any person shall cast or throw, discharge or cause to flow into any of the streets of the town, any blood or foul or nauseous liquor, or other liquor or offensive matter, which is likely to become a source of nuisance after exposure to the atmosphere, or shall keep, collect, use or suffer to remain on his premises any nauseous liquor, stagnant water or other offensive matter, he, she or they so offending shall forfeit and pay for each and every offense not more than five nor less than one dollar.

SEC. 8. And be it enacted and ordained, That if any person having a cow or cows, horse or horses, in any stable, or hog or hogs in any pen in the town, shall keep the same in such manner that the filth and stench therefrom shall become offensive to or annoy any neighbor or other person, the person keeping such cow, horse or hog, as aforesaid, shall forfeit and pay for such offense one dollar, and the sum of fifty cents for each and every day the nuisance shall be suffered to remain.

SEC. 9. And be it enacted and ordained, That the said Commissioner of Health, shall qualify by taking an oath before a Justice of the Peace, that he will faithfully perform the duties of said office, a certificate of which oath shall be filed with the Town Clerk, and he shall hold office until his successor is duly elected and qualified; and the Commissioners shall annually levy and pay to the said Commissioner of Health for his services, the sum of ..... dollars.

SEC. 10. And be it enacted and ordained, That this ordinance shall take effect from the tenth day of August, 1884.

Approved by the Commissioners of Cambridge, July 31, 1884.

C. V. BINGLEY, T. C.

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The School Board met Tuesday, August 4th, pursuant to adjournment Present, Messrs. Travers, Dashiell, Price, Mace and Wright.

Mr. F. H. Dean was appointed trustee for East New Market Primary, vice, Dr. H. W. Houston, resigned. Mr. E. S. Johnson trustee for E. New Market Grammar was confirmed, vice, Thos. J. Hicks, Esq., resigned.

Misses Alice J. Webster, Alice Wood and Sallie Relsby, were appointed to fill vacant scholarships at the State Normal School. Miss Mary Todd's appointment to Bishop's Head school, and Miss Lizzie Price's to Transquakes school (new) were confirmed. The Board was engaged almost the whole day in these New Market cases.

Mr. Barclay's bill for fencing at the Cambridge Male Academy, was passed and ordered to be paid. A contract for furnishing of text-books for the next two years was made with Messrs. Dulany & Co., of Baltimore.

Adjourned subject to call of the President.

[COMMUNICATED.]

Mr. Editor: "Forty thousand crabs cooking in Cambridge to-day," was the remark made by a gentleman in front of Dr. Selover's office on the 5th inst. to some ladies. What in the world are they going to do with them? Ladies remark they are for the excursion and the Democratic convention. No, the colored people live on them." When the crab joke was exhausted, the ladies said the odor was from the mud-hole in front of Dr. Selover's office, where the refuse from his office is thrown. The town authorities should do something to abate all nuisances.

A CITIZEN.

[From Wednesday's Chronicle.]

Blood Stains—A Supplementary Article.

In an article upon this subject, published in THE CHRONICLE of May 14th, I said: "It is not my purpose at this time to refer specially to the stains upon the knife." At that time I was in possession of some facts that I had no right to make public. Having the consent of our State's Attorney, I wish now to call attention to these. I do this to further illustrate the need of caution on the part of a jury in receiving *expert* testimony as to blood-stains.

I firmly believe that the strongest link in the circumstantial chain that fastened crime upon Frederick Cephas was snapped asunder in the hands of the manipulator to whom the knife was sent. That knife contained such evidences of his guilt as might have led Cephas to confess his guilt, had he been confronted with the story that the microscope told.

While collecting evidence before the first trial, Hon. Daniel M. Henry, jr., called upon me for the purpose of examining the knife microscopically. He fully believed it was the knife used in cutting the throat of the victim, and that suspicious stains upon it were made by her blood. To the unaided eye they certainly looked like blood, and it is almost certain that the jury would have so regarded them. The object of this examination was simply to determine whether or not the knife contained indications of guilt or innocence sufficient to justify an examination by professional authority. Mr. Henry desiring to gain all the advantage that might be derived from the knife should it prove to be a criminating link, and on the other hand concientiously guarding against what would have been an undue influence, produced by the knife upon the jury and unjust to the prisoner, should the stains prove to be something else. My examination was necessarily imperfect. To make a thorough microscopical search for identity in such cases, it is necessary to macerate the substance, remove it from that to which it adheres, and view it as a *transparent* object. As we wished to leave everything undisturbed, should the knife go into the hands of an expert, I could only examine it as an opaque object. As the end of the blade next the handle particularly, and in the handle where the blade was riveted, the spots had the network appearance and the other opaque characteristics of dried blood. I informed Mr. Henry that in my judgment it was blood, but I would not assert positively that it was or was not unless I could examine it transparently. I then asked him to tap the handle gently over a sheet of white paper. He did so, and on examining what fell out, the microscope revealed several pieces of *pine leaves*, two of which were stained with the supposed blood. I further directed Mr. Henry's attention to another important fact, namely, the manner in which Cephas attempted to clean the blade. The microscope showed beyond a doubt that it was by rubbing or attrition, and not by soaking or washing. In a long conversation with the murderer upon the subject since his conviction, he fully corroborates the story that the microscope told. In brief, he says it *is* the knife with which he cut the victims throat, that he cleansed it by "sticking it in the ground," and explained the presence of the pine leaves by saying: "There was plenty pine shats in the woods where I cleaned it." Except where inserted in the handle, jabbing it in the ground would have effectually cleansed the blade had the earth been firm or hard. But the soft wood's loam with its carpet of leaves left abundant traces of the bloody act.

In assigning the knife to competent hands for complete examination, I suggested to Mr. Henry the name of an able microscopist living in Baltimore city. Fearing that his large practice as a physician would prevent his attendance at court if that were necessary, Mr. Henry carried the knife to a Professor in the Biological department of the Johns Hopkins University. Considering the scientific prestige of that Institution the report made upon the knife is certainly surprising. After referring to the tedious particularity of his examination, the examiner states that he found nothing but *rust*. The gentleman did not state whether his examination was chemical, microscopical, or both. That rust was there I admit. That another substance which was *not* rust was also there I affirm. I can only account for this report by supposing that *chemical* tests alone were made, and these were rendered uncertain by other constituents necessarily present with the blood. The blood was comparatively fresh; the corpuscles but little affected by disintegration, and microscopical examination a simple and easy matter.

In this case we have the strongest warning against over-confidence in expert testimony. It must be remembered, first: It was the knife used by the murderer. Second, it was cleaned by thrusting in the soft loam and leaves. Third, the murderer insists that he never had the heart to use it afterwards, and from its appearance we must believe him. Fourth, the blood was comparatively fresh. Fifth, blood stained pine leaves were found within the handle and and submitted with the knife for examination. And yet, the now known-to-be bloody knife contained nothing but "*rust*." This link of *steel* becomes but *clay* in the hands of an expert.

J. R. STURGIS.

Cambridge, July 28, '84.

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