

# Democratic Watchman

Bellefonte, Pa., September 10, 1909.

## AN OLD TIME HANGING.

The Dark Day When "Old Jennie" Was Executed in Maryland.

"As dark as the day when old Jennie was hung" is one of the many quaint sayings that for generations has been used on the lower eastern shore of Maryland, but from the accounts that have been given by those who lived in old Jennie's day there never has been a day since that time as dark as the day on which she was executed for wholesale murder in the neighborhood in which she lived.

The old murderess was publicly hanged in 1815 in the old jail yard at Princess Anne, and all those who remembered that particular day have passed into the great beyond long ago. The murderess was a white woman, tall and angular, and it was said that she resembled what was popularly supposed to be a witch far more than she did the up to date woman of that day. In fact, local history records that she practiced witchcraft. No one ever knew where she came from, she having "dropped down" very mysteriously into the neighborhood, where she killed a family of four.

Old Jennie was not hanged on a scaffold. In those days murderesses were executed with a little trouble and expense as possible. The wizen faced terror of all Somerset was placed in a cart drawn by two oxen and placed directly under a stout limb of an old oak tree which stood in the jail yard. The rope was fixed in rude fashion around her neck, amid the hurrahs of the crowd and the curses of the doomed woman, and when all was in readiness a bunch of fodder was placed ten paces from the oxen's heads, and they were given the word to start. Obeying the command, they made a bee line for the fodder and left old Jennie dangling at the end of the rope.

That day, it has been told thousands of times, was the darkest ever known in this section. Chickens remained on their roosts throughout the entire day, while candles by the score burned in the houses that the servants might see to do their work. The local scientists of that day were at a loss to account for the strange phenomenon, and the graphic descriptions which they gave of it and which were recorded years ago make interesting reading.

The darkies and superstitious whites of those days naturally thought that the end of time had come. A great many negroes declared today that the ghost of old Jennie may be seen stalking around on the edge of the woods near where she committed her crimes any time on a dark, cloudy night, and they are very careful not to encounter her.—Orville (Md.) Cor. Chicago Inter Ocean.

## STRIKE-BREAKERS ABUSED

Blackjacks and Pistols Used Freely to Intimidate the Men.

The measure of advantage which labor receives from the new Republic tariff may be conjectured after reading the testimony of strike-breakers before the United States district attorney at the plant of the Pressed Steel Car company of Shoenville, near Pittsburg, which is under investigation. No industry has been more generously protected than that, and though there was a pretense of decreasing the rate on steel in the Payne-Aldrich bill, the protection on the structural steel used in making the cars was largely increased.

The strike in that plant, which began several weeks ago, and promised for a time to develop the proportions of a civil war, was less an account of wages than because of the ill-treatment of the men. The schedule of wages was based on the piece plan, and it was alleged that men were cheated in the totaling of their earnings. In other words, the complaint was that a piece of work in the process of construction would pass through the hands of different operatives, and in the calculation of the wage due each some of them would be left out altogether. Redress being refused, the men struck, and the state constabulary, known as "troopers," was called in to subdue them. Following is some of the testimony:

Martin Hart, of Newark, N. J., was the first witness called. He came to the plant eight days ago, but insisted that he didn't know he was hired as a strike-breaker. "I wanted to leave the plant," said Hart, "when I got to the gate I was held back by the guards. I asked for my money, and that very moment a guard ran up and struck me over the head with a blackjack. I was unconscious for ten minutes." Hart produced a shirt, which was covered with blood, and which he said he wore when he was assaulted.

R. C. Modern, of New York, testified that he had been present when Hart was beaten. "I rushed into the office and called for help," said Modern, "but they told me to get to hell out of there; that it was none of my business. They said 'Don't you dare interfere or we will knock your head off.'"

Not Misfits.

Mrs. Crimmonbeak—It seems strange to me, if matches are made in heaven, that there should be so many unhappy marriages. Mr. Crimmonbeak—Oh, you forget it is the matches that are made there, not the misfits.—Yonkers Statesman.

The Fall.

"Satan wuz once an angel in heaven, wuzn't he?"  
"Yes, but, like de rest of us, he des couldn't stand prosperity."—Atlanta Constitution.

It's the easiest thing in the world to point out the proper course for others to pursue.

## MY WILD-WOOD HOME.

FOR THE WATCHMAN.

My wild-wood home I've ne'er forgot,  
Though far I've roamed from that dear spot:  
No lovelier scenes on earth are found,  
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How pleasant are thy brooks and rills,  
Thy verdant vales and sylvan hills;  
Entrancing thoughts! how they enfold  
As all in fancy I behold.

Of 'mid youth's pleasure-seeking hours  
I sauntered through the beautiful bowers:  
O peerless boon, now craved amiss,  
To bask in these priceless bliss.

I roamed its scenes—through glen and dell,  
Where gnomes and elves and fairies dwell;  
Vast nature's splendor, how it thrilled;  
Each nook my heart with rapture filled.

'Mid craggy rocks and purring brooks,  
By cooling streams and shady nooks,  
Whereat I'd sit and gaze and clear—  
There, there I fain would linger near.

Back would I haste to cooling shades,  
To my dear home-land 'mong the glades;  
Ah! life was then a blissful lot,  
A ha's that sweet contentment brought.

O fairy bowers! O golden maze!  
In fancy oft on thee I gaze;  
Glen, grotto, dell, these I'd explore,  
'Mongst them I'd wander as of yore.

O wild-wood home to memory dear,  
Fondly to thee would I draw near;  
Kind friends betime may bid me come  
And give me a glad welcome home.

Dear wild-wood home, I love thee well,  
Yes, cherish thy enchanting spell;  
Hence woos me back, though far I roam,  
To rest within my wild-wood home.

—Alfred Biechy.

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Remarkable Results of Experiments in Revival of Blighted Orchards.

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Much public interest already has been created by this experiment on a big scale in a once-famous apple orchard on the Creely farm, near this city. Thousands of trees have been torn out by fruit growers in the last few years, as they were considered worthless when blighted by the scale and in all appearances were dead. The idea of cutting off the dead branches with the hope that a new growth would spring from the trunks was suggested and trial has brought wonderful results.

Richardson, as an amateur gardener, tried the same plan with scale-ridden peach trees, two years ago. The result was the fruit, which is said to be the largest ever grown in the State. It is twice as large as peaches grown on the same trees before the scale affected them, and is solid, sweet and of a rich flavor. The queer-looking crown of new shoots which marks the rapid second growth was almost broken under the weight of the fruit.

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