

MURDERED BY NEGROES.

Constable Carver Clubbed and Cut Near Westover, Md.

Westover, Somerset Co., June 7.—A horrible murder was perpetrated about one and one-half miles from this place last night and the whole neighborhood is so greatly aroused that it is thought an attempt at lynching will be made.

About 9 o'clock a crowd of drunken negroes stepped up to a "general store" and began to be boisterous. They went into the store, cursing and swearing. The keeper asked them to make less noise, saying that if they desired to come in he had no objection, but he wanted them to be more quiet.

To this the negroes in a chorus exclaimed: "We'll come as we please!" Soon the crowd began to knock things around, and the fight followed. Constable Ned Carver, who was in the store at the time, threatened to arrest them, but was not allowed to carry his threat out.

A big, burly negro grabbed hold of him, and in an instant all the negroes surrounded the officer and pushed him out of the door. Then they attacked him with clubs and empty beer bottles and killed him.

Frank McCready, who was the only other white man near Carver, was also beaten on the head, and almost killed. He was struck on the head, over the temple, and was hit on the arm with a cudgel.

After the fight the negroes made their escape.

Mr. C. A. Veasy, who came up soon after the struggle, stepped into the store and found Mr. Carver lying on the floor covered with blood. Taking a lantern and looking at his face, he shook Mr. Carver, but he made no reply. Mr. Carver's face was washed and medical aid was summoned.

Dr. Dashiells, of Princess Anne, came a short time afterwards and examined the dying man, but found it was a hopeless case. A few minutes afterward Mr. Carver expired.

It is said that while Mr. Carver was lying bleeding one of the negroes came up with a club and dealt him a blow over the head and another cut him with a razor.

An examination was held over Carver's body this morning. There were two wounds on his face, one over the eye and another under the ear. There were three cuts on the left leg, one about seven inches under the hip. These were inflicted with a razor while Carver was dying.

An inquest will be held at Princess Anne tomorrow at 2 p.m.

Mr. Carver was a prominent citizen of the county, was 32 years old and leaves one child.