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GIRL VICTIM OF GREAT CRUELTY

Grace Marshall Kept in Solitary Confinement for Nearly Twelve Years Because She Loved Aged Man. Her Cell Room Finally Discovered by Uncle. Reduced to Living Skeleton

Rescued from a living tomb in the home of her father and stepmother near St. Michaels, Grace Marshall, 28 years old, is the first patient at Emergency Hospital, Easton, after having been kept in solitary confinement for a period of eleven years. The story of her incarceration, her long period of suffering, during which time in an attempt to escape she jumped from a second story window and broke her leg, the years spent in an ill-ventilated, meagrely furnished and poorly lighted room, in which she was practically starved to death by her inhuman parents, and her ultimate rescue by Miss Emma Davies, of the Children Aid Society, reads like a chapter from some story book of the Dark Ages.

The father and stepmother who locked Grace Marshall from a happy, bright-eyed lass of sixteen to a woman nearly 28 years old, emaciated, mind beclouded, and physically wrecked, are in Easton jail, and were to have been given a hearing yesterday in the charge of assault with intent to murder.

Yesterday, under the careful attention of Easton physicians, the girl was reported to appear brighter and hopes are entertained for her complete recovery, though a long hard fight is contemplated in building up a healthy woman about the frame left by her cruel jailers.

The plea of the parents for their treatment of the girl is that they considered her insane and did not feel financially able to place the girl in an institution for treatment. Others familiar with the case assert that she was placed in her cell-room because she was enamored of an aged man more than 50 years old.

How the girl was kept confined so long without the knowledge of neighbors and acquaintances is explained by the fact that the Marshalls had a farm visiting on Kent Island about twenty years ago. This child died and in the interest of her health she was brought home in a motor boat. Extremely secluded themselves of the report became current that it was from fear of awaking jealousy among some girls who had left and the report notes and Water streets for hitching posts.

This summer however, with the [illegible] permanent [illegible] Marshall [illegible] Water [illegible]

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NEW ALARM SYSTEM

WORK WILL PROBABLY BEGIN NEXT WEEK ON INSTALLATION OF FIRE ALARM.

Manager L. D. Shank of the municipal electric plant and a force of electricians will probably begin work next week on the installation of Centreville's new fire alarm system. But for a delay in the receipt of the alarm whistle which was shipped to Centreville, Missouri, through an error, work would already have been under way.

The whistle which will be blown by steam is to be placed on the municipal building occupied by the water works and electric plant. It will be operated by an electric button in the engine company's room and another in the local telephone exchange. The pressure of the button at either place will sound the alarm.

At present the old fire alarm bell which was purchased many years ago and which hung in the old Town Hall [illegible] the erection of the Opera House is used to give the alarm of fire. The chief objection to it is that it cannot be heard plainly in all sections of the town. The manufacturers of the new whistle guarantee that it can be heard at any point in Centreville regardless of the direction of the wind or other weather conditions.

Storage batteries will furnish the power for the operation of the whistle and more than likely it will be tested at frequent intervals to be sure that it is always in working shape. The outlay for the new equipment will be very small and Centreville will have soon for the first time an adequate fire alarm.

FACING A PROBLEM

WHERE AND HOW TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL HITCHING SPACE IN CENTREVILLE THE ISSUE.

Centreville is facing the problem of deciding where and how to provide sufficient hitching room for the convenience of shoppers and travelers here in teams. Years ago hitching racks were placed parallel with the Court House square on Broadway and Lawyers Row. Finally, horses [illegible] additional space was rented on the Ford Lots. With the erection of the Grammar School the Ford Lots could [illegible]

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QUEEN ANNES WINS HONORS AT MARYLAND WEEK SHOW

FINE EXHIBITS IN MAMMOTH STATE DISPLAY

WILLIAM TROY, OF CENTREVILLE, CAPTURED FIRST PRIZE AMONG EXHIBITORS OF THE MARYLAND BOYS' CORN CLUB. TWO OTHER QUEEN ANNES COUNTY BOYS GET RECOGNITION. PROGRESSIVE FARMERS' CLUB, OF PRICE, WON SEVENTH PLACE FOR FINE BOOTH DISPLAY. MANY COUNTY FOLKS ATTEND THE SHOW.

Filled with enthusiasm over their success and greatly delighted with their trip eight Queen Annes county boys members of the Boys' Corn Club returned from the Maryland Week Show in Baltimore last Monday morning. Three of the members were especially happy bringing with them prizes for making good exhibits at the show. William D'Arcy Troy, son of Dr. and Mrs. William D. Troy of Centreville, was however the proud[illegible] of the lot. In the state-wide competition he had won first prize and some time this fall he will go on a week's trip to Washington as the guest of the Affiliated Farmers Organizations of Maryland.

Other boys making the trip were: J. Medford Price, Jr. and Kent Price of Ruthsburg; Hall Barton of Centreville; Arthur Potts of Rich Neck; John Smith of Barclay; Leo Beck of Chestertown; and Alfred Boyce of near Centreville.

Thursday of last week the boys went to Baltimore and both Friday and Saturday were brimful of pleasing and entertaining events.

How They Were Entertained

The first feature of Friday morning's program was a trip to the office of Hon. James H. Preston, Mayor of Baltimore. The Mayor delivered a short impromptu talk to the boys congratulating them upon their success and wishing them well in their work next year.

[illegible] to the Maryland Theatre where they attended a matinee as the guests of the management. After the show they enjoyed supper as guests of the Affiliated Organizations.

At [illegible] o'clock in the [illegible] the Fifth Regiment Armory and [illegible]

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the previous spring a crop of clover followed under and a ton of ground oyster shell lime drilled in before the tomatoes had been planted.

After a large portion of turnips had been gathered we turned our hogs in the acre to feed on the balance of the turnips and clover. They remained there until April 1st this year. On Saturday, April 17th, I used a spring tooth harrow on it and afterwards rolled it right, and this was done again on May 8 and May 22nd.

"On Monday, May 31st, we used a leveling square drag and ran the ground out with a tomato row marker, opening the cross rows about three inches deep. The next morning I was out bright and early and dropped the corn by hand, putting three and four grains to the hill, planting the hills 36 inches apart each way. I covered the grain with a small fine-toothed cultivator. I had to stay home from school to do this work. This was the only time that I missed from school.

"On June 12 the corn was dragged with a spike-toothed harrow. The corn was given a thorough cultivation on June 24th, July 5th, 16th and 29th. We would have cultivated it again but the storm of August 3rd twisted it about so badly that we could not get through it.

"It was cut on August 30th and allowed to stand in the shock until October 25th, when it was husked, the total weight being 7,356 pounds. The corn was not in the best condition, as the rotten on the tips from lying on the ground. It was nearly all twin corn, standing three and four stalks to the hill.

Cost and Profit

My expenses were as follows:

	Hours		
Plowing	4	30	$1.20
Harrowing (spring tooth)	1	30	90
Harrowing (spike tooth)	2	30	60
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[illegible]	4	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

PLEDGES WILL BE FULLY REDEEMED

HARRINGTON STANDS "PAT"

In an Interview the Governor-Elect Asserts That Only Best Men Will be Appointed to Positions and That Offices Will Seek the Men. Inauguration only a Little More Than a Month Off.

Only a little more than a month remains before Hon. Emerson C. Harrington, Democratic Governor-elect, will be inaugurated. To those Marylanders who are sincerely and honestly hoping for four years of clean, honest government, Mr. Harrington is looming up bigger and bigger every day. In variance with the oft repeated custom in the past of dropping platform pledges as soon as the election was over, Mr. Harrington is sticking absolutely to the text given out by the Democratic Convention and reiterates upon every convenient occasion that he not only expects but is determined to carry out the pledges of his party and his own promises to the people.

With the exception of the Secretary of State, I shall not take up for serious consideration any appointments until I shall have taken the oath of office. I have made no promises of any kind and shall positively make none until then. I can but renew what I have said about certain boards and I sincerely hope that I shall not be pressed with recommendations or suggestions for these positions because for these positions we shall seek the men.

Governor-Elect Emerson C. Harrington made the above declaration in a carefully prepared statement which he issued at the Hotel Rennert last week.

Since coming to Baltimore" continued Mr. Harrington, "I have met a great many party friends; members of the State Senate and members of the House of Delegates, and a number of party leaders. I have been exceedingly gratified to find an earnest and genuine desire and willingness on the part of all of them to do all that may be needed, by personal sacrifices, or otherwise, toward the redemption of our platform promises. I met the members of the Economy and Budget Commission and feel sure that the committee will recommend of budget that may be possible by agreement to be made immediately effective and permanently effective by constitutional amendment if adopted by the people. I also believe that they will recommend a plan for economy which may be made at least a very large part available at the next session [illegible]

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Legislative Organization

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HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

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OBSERVER LIST GROWS

MANY NEW ADDITIONS TO THE LARGE AND GROWING FAMILY OF WEEKLY READERS

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[illegible] Perhaps it would that par[illegible] individual would appreciate a year's subscription. It would be just like a weekly letter if he is away from home and he would appreciate it just the same in the county.

Here is a list of this week's new readers:

Hayden: Mrs. J. S. Foster.

Ingleside: Dr. F. M. Eccles.

Church Hill: Josiah Anthony, Mrs. C. W. Harrington.

Centreville: Henry Shriver, Frank Hunter, F. W. Draper.

Queenstown: George Tarr.

Baltimore: A. S. Goldsborough, Mrs. M. E. Kirkley.

Stevensville: Mrs. Ida M. Bright.

Atlantic City: Mrs. E. C. Porter.

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Official Score of Corn Club Boys in State Contest

County	Name	Yield	Cost per bushel	Points	Exhibit 25	Exhibit 25	Essay 10	Total
Queen Anne's	William Troy	100	16.6c	28.6	10	20	8.5	96.1
Dorchester	Howard Harding	75	21	26.4	25.6	25	8	85.4
Talbot	Arthur Phillips	104	26.6	19.6	10	10	8	54.6
Talbot	James Coulter	112	21.9	30.4	15.4	19	12	81.8
Queen Anne's	Arthur Potts	85	26.6	24c	23.7	10	15	73
Anne Arundel	Benny Watkins	61.8	15.6	21c	27.9	10	14	73.3
Queen Anne's	J. Medford Price, Jr.	61	9	21c	27.9	12	18	79.9
St. Mary's	J. M. Mattingly	72	19	24.8c	23.2	10	10	62.2
Calvert	Charles E. Lane	64.5	16.5	24c	23.7	10	12	62.2
Calvert	Floyd Gibson	55.4	13.5	22c	25.9	10	11	60.4
Calvert	Wayne Bowen	70.4	17.5	24c	23.7	10	8	59.2
Somerset	Albert Fitzgerald	70.6	18.6	34.5c	16.5	10	12	57.1
Allegany	Ralph Gibson	72.5	19.2	41c	13.9	10	12	55.1
Somerset	Charles Fitzgerald	78.6	20.9	44½c	12.7	10	12	55.6
Anne Arundel	Edward Gertz	43	9.4	28c	20.3	10	14	53.7
Anne Arundel	Rodney Box	56.2	13.4	27c	21.1	10	10	54.5
St. Mary's	L. M. Mattingley	67	17	43½c	9.7	10	16	53.4
St. Mary's	James B. Oliver	37	7	45½c	12.4	10	9	38.7

"The Tinder Box" Pleases.

Many readers of THE OBSERVER have expressed themselves as delighted with "The Tinder Box," an illustrated serial story, the third installment of which appears this morning. The story is one of unusual interest and merit and those who did not begin reading it with the first installment should search up the old copies and begin at once.