

THE LYNCHING.

A gentleman from Queen Anne's county was in Chestertown on Wednesday morning last and viewed the remains of James Taylor, the brute who assaulted and outraged little Nellie Silcox, and identified Taylor as the negro who was compelled to leave that county some years ago for attempting to assault a small colored girl. It is also reported that Taylor attempted the same thing on a small colored girl at Black's station a short time ago and partly accomplished his purpose. He is also charged by a colored man, living with a farmer near town, with having attempted a similar assault upon his wife. These facts it is claimed were all known to some of the citizens of Kennedyville; if so, -and if lynching is ever justifiable under any circumstances, then we are of the opinion that Taylor was justly dealt with, instead of waiting for the slow action of the law, however much we respect and honor our laws and courts.

The articles that have appeared in some of the Wilmington and Philadelphia papers to the effect that Taylor's guilt is questioned, is *utterly untrue*. We have never heard from any source in the county that the negro is thought to have been innocent. Upon the contrary, every one, both white and colored, who is conversant with the facts, believe Taylor committed the crime. Nellie is positive in her statements, and there can be no doubt about it. The parties who are sending such reports to these papers is believed to be some malicious person who desires to cause strife between the races, and the sooner it is stopped the better.

State's Attorney Wm. M. Slay, Esq., has telegraphed to these papers to the above effect, and other steps will be taken to acquaint them with the falsity of such reports.

Little Nellie's testimony will be taken by a justice of the peace to-morrow in the presence of the State's attorney, and a full statement of the facts will be published.