

"In 1850 Captain Adams Gray rented upon Fardy's ship yard. He followed the business of building and repairing vessels for four years. There was then an association of black caulkers, whose President was Mr. Flannigan. It is the same association that exists now, but they have another President. Captain Gray was not a regular ship builder, and gave dissatisfaction on this account. The colored caulkers were ordered to leave working for Captain Gray, and he was left without hands in his yard. He had had no difficulty with the colored men and had always given the highest wages. Captain Gray determined not to be made the victim of what he supposed to be a combination, and Mr. Cully, who was then in his employ, was instructed to go to Wilmington and procure white caulkers. He also threatened the foreman of the black caulkers, who had contracted to do the work, that he would sue him for damages for suffering himself to be controlled by the association. The Captain considered himself entirely at the mercy of the colored association. The black caulkers, finding Captain Gray determined and resolute, afterwards returned to their work."

FURTHER PARTICULARS OF THE LOWER CANTON HOUSE AFFRAY.—In the American of yesterday was given a full account of the murderous affray on the afternoon of the 5th, at the Lower Canton House, and stated the fact of Coroner Sparklin proceeding on the previous night to hold an inquest over the body of Justice Murray, who had died at 4 o'clock on Tuesday after-

"The Trouble Among the White and Black Caulkers." *Baltimore American and Commercial Advertiser*, July 8, 1858. H. Furlong Baldwin Library. Maryland Historical Society.

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