

THE NEGRO STILL AT LARGE

Mrs. Reid's Assailant Makes Good His
Escape From Justice.

NO TRACE OF THE BRUTE HAS AS YET
BEEN FOUND.

A Dastardly Assault On a White Woman In
Broad Daylight--Victim Is Said To
Be In a Very Serious
Condition.

Although the search for the unidentified negro who yesterday afternoon attempted a criminal assault on Mrs. John Reid, of this county at a point about three miles from Annapolis, was resumed this morning by Sheriff Linthicum and his deputies, as well as the residents of the neighborhood, no definite trace of him has been found.

The descriptions of the assailant are vague and rather unsatisfactory, as the only persons who saw him were Mrs. Reid, and Mr. and Mrs. Brice Worthington, whose approach frightened the brute off. The latter only saw his back as he made across the fields, and Mr. Worthington, who is in a weakened condition from a long illness, was incapable of taking up the search and following the man at once. On this account considerable valuable time was lost in starting the pursuit.

Mrs. Reid was reported this morning to be recovering from the effects of her fearful experience, although she was sadly battered during the rough handling he received. Talk of lynching is prevalent in Annapolis today, and even conservative citizens express the hope that the negro may be disposed of before he gets under the protection of the law, provided that he may be identified beyond any doubt.

The country surrounding the locality of the crime is not thickly settled and means of communication are but few. For this reason the news of the crime spread slowly. Many of the countians coming to Annapolis from directly around the section were in ignorance of the occurrence. For this reason the capture of the man is fraught with difficulty. The general supposition now is that he is hiding in the dense woods which extend for several miles from the scene of the crime towards Chesterfield.