Howard County Affairs. [Correspondence of the Baltimore Sun.] ELLICOTT CITY, Mp., Sept. 13.—Nicholas Bnowden, colored, was arrested by Sheriff N. T. Hutchins and lodged in fail here yesterday, charged with committing an assault on a colored girl about nine years old, near Columbia, this county, on Friday last. Dr. Thomas B. Owings, of Ellicott City, was sent for to see the girl, and she was found to be in a serious condition. The grand jury was in session yesterday, and an indictment was found against Snowden for the offense. There is much excitement among the colored people over the affair. A man named Thomas Robinson was arrested today at Woodstock, this county, by officers Hutchinson and Wirtz, of the B. and O. detective force, and lodged in jail here. Various articles had been missed from the depot there for some time past, but no clue could be had as to the perpetrators. Strict watch was instituted, and last night Robinson was seen by Mr. Stackhouse, agent for the company at that place, to take away a piece of becon. A warrant was obtained for

his arrest, with the result stated.