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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1895.

"THE STORY OF MY LIFE."

As Related by J. W.Henson in the Methoeist Church Last Monday Evening. A Large Attendance and an Interesting Discourse.

I was born at Baltimore, Md. on the Druid Hill farm, in 1814. My master's name was Rogers. My parents were sold from me, and sent to old. I would have been sold, but I lived in New York, and so he had no right to sell me. My childhood and boyhood was very hard. Had no mother to go to. As for clothing, I had scarcely any. No shoes, and only a single skirt to cover us. Would bed to warm my feet. There my childhood was spent.

There were overseers, whose business it was to see to it that we worked, and they attended to their business. you would drive a cow. We would used to be afraid, and went to the work all day, come in and get a bite woods to pray. God forbid that I of herring, salt meat and corn bread. If we were industrious, and wanted to any man. When I was a boy, I said make a few pennies, we would work if I grew up, there was a certain man nights plaiting mats and send them to I would whip. But when the Lord the market. At Christmas the men saved me, I didn't want to do it. would get a pair of shoes, pantaloons There was no half-way business about and a jacket. The shoes were supposed to last all year. When they were worn out we went barefooted. Mr. Henson sang a hymn entitled, To wear more than one coat was a sufficient cause for a flogging. came near receiving a whipping for wearing two coats. Our shirts were made from coarse material, something

like you use for drying your hands. After I grew up, I was taken by my master as a coachman, and given a pair of boots which I was obliged to take off when the drive was over. I was a big boy when I received my first pair of pants. Up to this time I had worn dresses, something like you call hub-a-de-hub, (meaning Mother Hubbard). Before this, I, like all the other children, went around in a little skirt. I lived this way until I became a young man, when it pleased the Lord to awaken me to a sense of my danger. At the time, we were playing on the lawn in front of the house, where they kept us so as to be handy when they wanted us, which was very My mistress was a very contrary woman. As contrary as a mule. As an example of her manners, I might say, that the men who cut the ice were in the habit of coming to the room and warming by the fire place. She had it all walled up, excepting a space large enough to put in the kettle and there she would stand when they came in wet and cold. She was a great card player, and there were few men in the whole country that could watch it for advertisements of runaway slaves. It contained a picture of him making for the North. The get away? Some said they had an inclusive. underground railway, which ended in Canada. The slave had a few friends in the North. The Quakers would always befriend them. A slave once ran away, and got up in Bucks county with his master in pursuit. He ran into the house, and the woman asked him the trouble, and he told her they were after him. She wore large hoops, the fashion in those days, and concealed him under her skirts. The pursuers came in and made a thorough search of the house, but never thought to look under the lady's skirt. I ran away. It was a great undertaking and very dangerous, as all along the way there were parties watching for run-aways But the Lord promised he would not forsake me. I traveled all night, and during the day I would lay down in the woods. I kept on this way until I got to Harrisburg. From there I went to Sunbury, where I was employed by Mr. Greenough, a lawyer, as coachman. Some said to me, "are you going to live with Mrs. Greenough? Well you can't live there. She is too contrary. She was master and mistress." I knew what was the matter with the old woman. was quick tempered and wanted her own way, and I left her have it. I did what she told me to do, and I never had a better place in my life. I lived with her three years, and came to Danville where I remained fifteen years. I lived with all kinds of people, and never had a man say anything

against me. I came from there to Bloomsburg, and worked for I. W. Hartman, with whom I never had a word. So I have been safely saved. Since I have been in Bloomsburg I have been nicely treated, and I thank you for it. My end is drawing near, and I want to live the remainder of my life in peace. Let us labor and live friendly, so that we are not ashamed to meet each other. I have been trying to work for the Lord. I have helped build churches in Williamsport, Danville, Bloomsburg, er received five dollars for all my labors in the church. I am like Paul, I never charged anything. 1 have my sickness. God will raise you up friends if you are faithful to Him. He will not allow his children to suffer nor beg bread. I tell you the Scripture is true. The Lord will not and lunch parlors are all open for let his children starve. Before I came to this part of the country, I had persecutions in holding meeting. Parties cards, drink whiskey and dance in other parts of the room. If our preachers these days had to preach Georgia when I was about three years under such circumstances, there wouldn't be much preaching. belonged to Mr. Roger's nephew, who slave was caught up North, they would take him, chain him and send him back. I saw it done in Danville. I have seen men and women chained a personal visit if possible. together, led on the turnpike to Baltimore, where they were put in a pen like cattle, until a lot was gathered, go for the cattle, and stand in their when they were sent to Georgia. Ben Butler came to Baltimore, and saw one of these pens, which he opened, and liberated a large number of slaves. I bless the Lord that the time has come, when we can worship They would drive us with a whip like God without fear or molestation. I

woods to pray. God forbid that I Ties, 49c. should have hatred in my heart for my being saved. It was a thorough job." At the conclusion of the talk, "Resting on the Hill."

Had it not been for the prompt action of several parties, in all probability the new house which E. C. Wells is erecting on Fifth street would have been destroyed by fire last Thursday night. The night watch man noticed a blaze and smoke coming from the outside of the building. The neighbors were awakened and with their assistance the fire was extinguished before much damage was done. In all probability it was caused by a spark from a fire which the carpenters had built in an open grate, passing between the brick and igniting the lining and weather boards.

John S. Williams has again demonstrated his efficiency as an auctioneer and real estate agent. He made sale last Wednesday of the City Hotel property at Danville, to Mr Drumheller, proprietor of the Windsor Hotel at Shamokin, for \$11.800. John is a hustler and no mistake.

THE COLUMBIAN, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

JONAS LONG'S SONS' WEEKLY CHATS.

WILKES-BARRE, PA.,

December 11, 1895.

We invite you to call at the store while it wears its holiday garb. We have spared nothing to make our big establishment the handsomest and most entertaining Wilkes Barre and Elmira, and I nev- of any store in the country. It now presents the appearance of a grand exposition building, and is found kind friends in Bloomsburg. I well worth a special visit. Come will never forget their kindness during with your friends, everything is here to make you comfortable. The reception room, the place to keep your luggage and the dining your convenience. We are the only store outside of Philadelphia would blow out the lights, would play that pays special attention to the comfort of its patrons and want every one to feel as much at home here as possible. We give you a If a hint at some of the many useful the creek apparently covered with ice, things that are eminently adapted for Xmas gifts, but would suggest

> I lb. box choice mixtures, 15c. 1 lb. box assorted Chocolates 25c.

1 lb. box Marshmallows, 25c. 1 lb, box assorted Filberts, Al monds, Jim Crows, Walnuts, 390 Candies by the pound or pail

ranging in price upwar Is from 6c. Men's Persian Silk De Joinville direction of Miss Haas.

Men's Persian Tocks, 470. Japanese Head Rests, 21c. China Silk Head Rests, 69c. Japanese Silk down filled Sofa

Pillows, \$1.19. Denim figured and fringed

Table Covers, 795. Large satin covered Pin Cush-

ons, 75c. 8 inch satin covered Pin Cush-

ons, 49c.

Satine figures on Illusion, Bureau Covers, \$1.49.

Fancy Crepe Paper, the roll, all hades, 19c. Tinted Crepe Paper, 25c.

Ostrich Feather Boas, \$1 49. \$2.49, \$3.50 up to \$10.

Toilet Sets in blue and gold, green and gold, gold and white, comb, brush and mirror, \$1.75. \$2.49.

Plain white Celluloid Sets at \$1.25.

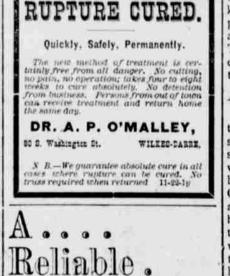
Manicure Sets in amber and hite, 89c.



ATTRACTS ATTENTION.

The large windows in front of Schuylers hardware store is constantly crowded with people who are attracted by a display which is there exhibited, and which for beauty of arrangement, and realistic effect has never been equaled in this place. The scene is located near the red rock bridge, and is recognized by any one who is acquainted with the locality. The rocks, upon the summit of which is the Jas. Magee mansion, the bridge, the old ice house and a train coming rocks is fully displayed. It is a winter scene, the ground is covered with rocks is visible. The artist, Joe Bidleman, deserves credit for the proves that he is an expert landscape from decorator.

A Mendelssohn musicale will be given in the Normal Auditorium this Friday evening. An excellent program has been arranged, under the



Watch . .

is a necessity to every man, no matter in what

Every Holiday shopper knows the crowds and crush of Christmas week. Why not come now. Stocks ar e more complete, clerks have more time, consequently shopping is easy. Bring the little folks. Our Xmas, windows are now ready and if not in t hem, inside you will find every-thing almost you want. Every depart ment bulging out with suggestions of what to give for Xmas.

A Word to the Wise, Etc.

UMBRELLAS.

Our right hand window is full of umbrellas for misses, ladies, and genaround the curve at the base of the tlemen. Any kind you want. Nice and neat handles for the small hands and larger for men. Nothing nicer or snow, though which the brush on the more acceptable for a Xmas present than a good umbrella. If you will examine them you will find exceptionmanner in which it is arranged, and al value in this lot. Prices range 65c. 10 \$4.50.

BLANKETS.

Business has been very brisk in this department. We are selling a large number of blankets this year. Why? Because we offer you exceptional value in them. We have handled the same blankets for years and know their quality. Nothing better on the mar-ket. We have them in all cotton, part cotton, and all wool. We would advise buying the all wool blankets. They give better satisfaction. Colored or white from 6oc the pair to \$12.00 the pair.

LINENS.

When we say linens you know what that means, and every housewife should be interested. Men should be also, as their wives would appreciate nothing better than house linen for Xmas, Counterpanes, towels, handkerchiefs and table linens in profusion. We have just bought a large assortment of towels. They are always useful, and we can afford to offer you an all linen towel at 30c the pair. Of course we have them at higher prices, and they are all good values.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

We pride ourselves on the quality of these goods we offer always, but more especially at Xmas. time. Our dis-

beautiful, and prices, any price you want to pay,

GLOVES.

We offer for sale for the first time to day a brand new lot just received. No lefe overs, but brand new kid gloves that usually retail for one dollar the pair, at 75c, the pair.

Fur top kid gloves, lined, and fur top mittens, lined, for children, misses, ladies and men.

CHINA AND LAMPS.

We have made a special effort in this line for Xmas. Our window if you will look, is full of decorated china, suitable and useful for Xmas presents. Dinner sets in all sizes, decorations neat and tasty, and all sold under a guarantee. We defy competition in prices, the quality of ware taken in the comparison. Our lamps are of the newest designs and there is nothing better in this line offered. Silk shades, ground glass globes, china globes, dresden effect with the lamps, or separate if you want them. Lamps are extremely cheap this year, and nothing is more useful for a Xmas present.

GROCERIES.

You must eat, and you want something out of the common for your Xmas. eating. If you will glance over this list, you will find what you want, and they are the best we can procure: Another lot of those elegant pulled figs,

at 30c. the box. Also some more just rec'd, of the extra fine layer figs, 2 lb. boxes, 30c. the box.

Mince meat in 5 lb. glass jars, better than you can make it, we warrant it purest on the market, 8oc. the jar.

R. & R. plum pudding, something we can recommend as extra fine, 50c. Cluster raisins, for table use, 15c. the lb Another fresh lot of Meadow sweet

cheese, 12jc. Persian dates, in 1 lb. boxes, 3 lbs. for 250.

Ohristmas and New Year Holiday Bates via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the Christmas and New Year Holidays, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will place on sale excursion tickets between stations on its system men in the whole country that could east of and including Pittsburg and beat her. If she did not have enough Erie, and west of Elizabeth and Sea money, she would sell a slave. We Girt (except between the cities of had a news paper in Baltimore called Philadelphia and Trenton proper), at the Sun. The poor people would reduced rates. The tickets will be sold and good going December 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 31, 1895, and January 1, 1896, and will be good for 25c. question is often asked, how did they return passage until January 7, 1896,

> Mr. George S. Robbins a few days since received a box of elegant California fruit from J. Harvey Long. They were grown by the donor.

C. H. Fornwald, is now driving a makes a grand Xmas-present. fine pair of large black horses in his equal to any \$60 machine, handfreight wagon.



s the Are that I have had Catarrh 10 Years. No She catarrh cure did me any good, but Hood's Sar-Imm Cures Aparilla heiped me wonderfully. My head is cleared, sense of smell returning. Hood's Bar-maparilla is doing my wile a world of good for Than Tired Feel-ing. GEORGE H. DIETTERICH, Hobbie, Fa.

Hood's Pills are effeignt and matte. Me

Sachet Powder, all odors, per pack toc.

Dresden China Powder, box 692. Bradley's Perfumes, large fancy bottle in box, 98c.

Men's leather lined Gloves, with or without knitted wrists, 59c.

Men's lined Kid Gloves, with or without fur tops, soc.

Ladies' 4 large button Kid Gloves, \$1.

Ladies' Silk Mittens, 59c. Ladies' fancy Silk Mittens, 75c Boys' fleece lined Jersey Gloves,

Handsome Coney Muffs, \$1.43. Electric Seal Muffs, \$2.98. Brook Mink Muffs, \$2.93. Scarfs to match, \$1.98.

Our special Sewing Machine, fully warranted for five years, some polished tops, 3 drawers, \$17.46; 5 drawers, \$19.46.

46 inch finest English twill black Serge Dress Goods, usually sold at 65c and 75c the yard, 6 and 7 yards to a pattern, to enable you to make a desirable Xmas gift we will fill a limited number of orders at the yard 39c

Also 54 inch black and navy blue Storm Serge will be offered in 5 and 6 yard patterns at the yard 39c.

56 inch heavy all wool black Boucle for Coats and Supes, specially reduced for mail order trade to the yard 982. Samples by mail.

Toys! Toys! Toys! The largest selection in the State. Respectfully,

lonas Lona's Sons Cor. W. Market and Public Square,



D. A. MOGEE, East Street Baker

PENN'A.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Levari Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 1896,

AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M., All that certain messuage, tenement and tract of land situate in the township of Hemlock, county of Columbia, and state of Penn-sylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a pine knot, corner of land of George Hartman, south 164 degrees west, 281 perches to a stone (late a chestnut tree) thence by land of Michael Stecker, north 891 degrees east 210 3-10 perches to a white oak grab; thence by land of George Shane and Obed Everet, north 3-4 degrees west 367 5-10 perches to a post (late a pine) thence by land of Joseph Crossley, north S9 degrees west, 27 perches to the place of beginning, containin

io8 ACRES, and ninety-five perches and allowances, whereon is erected a large FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

bank barn and other outbuildings. Seized, taken into execution at the suit of James M. Shew vs. Wm. Kuster, adm'r. of Christopher Kuster, and to be sold as the property of Christopher Kuster. ZARE, Atty. J. B. MCHENRY, Sheriff.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Elizabeth Stoker

The undersigned an auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia county to make distribution of the said estate, will sit at his office in the Town of Bloomsburg, on January 7, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all persons having claims against said estate must appear and prove the same, or be deharred from coming in on said fund.

W. A. EVERT. Auditor.

TAKE NOTICE!

TAKE NOTIOE. The undersigned hereby gives notice that she has purchased from H. W Phillips of Montour township, the following described personal property. All parties are hereby hotfiled not to interfere with the same: Two horses and harness, large wagon, spring wagon, bob sleds, and household furniture. The same has been loaned to him during my pleasure. 12: 3-4t. MARY NEYHART.

ELECTION NOTICE.

There will be an election of a Board of Direc-tors of the Bloomaburg Banking 'ompany at the Banking house in Bloomsburg on Tuesday, January 14th, 1896, at two o'clock in the after-noon, to serve for the ensuing year. 12-13-4t. H. H. GROTZ, Cashier.

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