

Inhuman Torture of Negroes.

General Howard has received voluminous reports concerning the cruelties practised by Mrs. Henry Abrahams, of King Williams county Virginia, upon her servants. The matter came to light through the investigation set on foot about a month ago. The reports show that on the second of June a freed girl, named Martha Anne, aged 17, was brought to a hospital at Richmond. The surgeon states that there were upon her body seven ulcers, all the results of burns and all produced within two or three weeks. The largest was nearly two inches in diameter. In addition to these her entire body was almost covered with scars, some old and some covered with recent scales, some the result of burns, and some the result of whipping. She had been so abused that she was scarcely able to give expression to an intelligent idea. The investigation made before the Judge Advocate at Richmond proved that this monster, Mrs. Abrahams, whom half the lawyers of the city volunteered to defend, has within the last few years been the cause of the death of four of her negro servants. An extract from the report is subjoined:

"Lucy Richardson, mother of the girl taken to the hospital, has been made blind of one eye and has been scarred in the throat with a hot iron. Five of the children of said Lucy Richardson, named Martha Anne and Mary Ellen, twins, aged sixteen, George, aged nine, Francis, aged eleven, and Robert, aged seven and a half years, have on many different occasions each of them been placed in a nude state before the fire until their backs were actually broiled, and then whipped with a birch rod on the back until it was raw, when strong salt and pepper water was rubbed on and they were whipped again. Francis died in February, 1866, from injuries received at the hands of said Mrs. Abrahams by being stamped upon. The children, while being tortured, had their feet and hands bound, and were bucked to keep them from struggling or resisting. The house would be closed while they were being burned and whipped, but then their cries would be heard for a long way. They would often faint away, and Mrs. Abrahams would continue to strike them with a poker, saying, 'You're dead, are you? I'll make you catch your breath.' After the punishment they could not lie nor sit down, and had to stand up a number of consecutive days and nights. Before the children recovered from their injuries Mrs. Abrahams would scar them with hot coals, or with a hot iron. She never had a servant without scars from her hands, and never did a day pass that some servant did not receive torture."

"Sarah Dandrige, milkmaid, was told to get all the milk she could in time for a dancing party, and because she did not answer soon enough Mrs. Abrahams tortured her to such an extent that she drowned herself in the creek."

"Eliza Hill was beat over the head with an iron poker, and pieces of flesh were cut from her head and face with a knife, by Mrs. Abrahams, until she became blind in both eyes. She afterwards died from these injuries."

The evidence fully establishes numerous instances of assault with intent to wound, maim, disfigure, disable, or kill. Much of this cruelty has been practiced since the fall of Richmond. Burning on the bare back with live coals of fire seems to have been a common punishment. Whipping was done with clubs, rods, whips, fire-shovels, &c. Mary and Francis were twice taken to a pond and half drowned."

Coffee, Still Nearer Perfection.

Messrs. Editors:—I feel rather diffident in writing on the subject of coffee-making, after the subject has been so ably handled by Professor Seely; yet I may possibly obtain a hearing in the matter, without being deemed intrusive, when I state that years ago, after many experiments, I succeeded in obtaining the most perfectly delicious coffee ever before tasted by myself or friends, it retaining its aroma in an eminent degree, and, at the same time, possessing all the strength of extractive matter desirable. This method of making coffee I subsequently published in the *Household Journal*, in its column of recipes.

I claim, and believe, that I was the first to discover and make coffee in the manner I am about to describe, which, although somewhat similar to the method pursued by Professor Seely, is, I think, more easily practiced by all persons desiring to do so.

Take, say a teacupful of freshly-ground coffee, one-half of which is to be put in a coffee pot, placed on a stove, and a sufficient quantity of warm (not boiling) water poured thereon, when it should be allowed to boil about five minutes, and then placed on the back of the stove for a few seconds.

The other half of the coffee may be put into a pitcher with a metallic cover, or a coffee pot used on the table only, and the liquid portion of the coffee which has been boiled poured therein, when, as the old ladies say, it draws in a similar manner to tea.

I thus without any alteration of the form of the coffee pot, or the addition of strainers, really obtain all that is obtainable, of both the aroma and healthful extractive matter of the coffee used; at least by the use of ordinary culinary utensils.

The coffee which was in the pitcher, or table coffee pot, is either left therein, or at once placed in the cooking pot, where it is boiled the next morning, and half a teacupful again put into the table coffee pot, which is treated in like manner, thus proceeding in regular routine. In very warm weather however, the coffee thus saved to be boiled should be kept in a cool place, as a few hours in a warm atmosphere is sufficient to cause the inception of fermentation, which gives an unpleasant tasting to the next morning's brewing.

I may remark, in conclusion, that no coffee should be used that has been roasted more than forty-eight hours before; and, in fact, coffee just roasted, but allowed to get cold before grinding, is always the best—which is the method pursued in Cuba, where they make a very delicious coffee from inferior berries.

JAMES M. JARRETT, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Bohemian peasants have rather a warm way with them in receiving their adversaries, the Prussian soldiery. They pour warm water, boiling pitch, and scalding oil upon their devoted heads.

NEW STORE AT MARYSVILLE. CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PA.

The undersigned would respectfully announce to the citizens of Clearfield county, that he has opened a new store in Marysville, and that he is now receiving a large and splendid assortment of seasonable goods, such as

DRY-GOODS AND NOTIONS,
Hardware, Queens-ware, Groceries, Drugs, Oils, Paints and Glass, Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps, Clothing, and Stationary, and in fact a general assortment of goods, such as are generally kept in a country store.

Desiring of pleasing the public, he will use his best endeavors to keep on hand the best of goods, and thereby hope to merit a liberal share of patronage. Call before purchasing elsewhere, as I am determined to sell goods at moderate prices for cash, or exchange them for every description of lumber, at market prices.

Sept. 27, 1865. STACY W. THOMPSON.

PAY ATTENTION!

GOOD BARGAINS

AT THE CLEARFIELD FOUNDRY.

We hereby notify the public, that the Foundry in the Borough of Clearfield, has been put in full blast, by the undersigned, who are now ready to accommodate the community with anything pertaining to our line of business. We keep constantly on hand a general assortment of stoves and castings, among which are the following

Cook, Parlor and Ten-plate Stoves, for burning either wood or coal; Salamander stoves, No. 4; Vase stoves, No. 3 and 4; Wash-kettles, 16 and 20 gallons; Farm dinner-bells, two sizes; Fire grates, 20 and 28 inches; Plows and plow-castings.

We are also prepared to make a class of GRIST and SAW-MILL IRONS, and special attention will be paid to the repairing of TRESHING MACHINES.

Persons in want of anything in our line, would do well to give us a call. Every description of approved country produce and old metal, taken in exchange for our manufactures, at the highest market price.

Clearfield, Nov. 1, 1865. H. F. IRWIN.

FURNITURE ROOMS.

JOHN GUELICH.

Desires to inform his old friends and customers, that, having enlarged his shop and increased his facilities for manufacturing, he is now prepared to make to order such furniture as may be desired, in good style and at cheap rates for cash. He mostly has on hand all the "Parisienne Room" or a varied assortment of furniture, among which is

BUREAUS AND SIDEBORDS,
Wardrobes and Book-cases, Centre, Sofa, Parlor, Breakfast and Dining extension Tables.

Common, French-posts, Cottage, Jenny-Lind and other Bedsteads, SOFAS OF ALL KINDS, WORK-STANDS, HAT RACKS, WASH-STANDS, &c.

Spring-seat, Cabin-bottom, and Parlor Chairs; and common and other Chairs.

LOOKING-GLASSES
Of every description on hand, and new glasses for old frames, which will be put in on very reasonable terms, on short notice.

Keeps on hand, or furnishes to order, Hair, Corn-brush, Hair and Cotton top Mattresses.

COFFINS, OF EVERY KIND.

Made to order, and funerals attended with a Hearse, wherever desired.

Also, House painting done to order.

The above, and many other articles are furnished to customers cheap for cash or exchange for approved country produce. Cherry, Maple, Poplar, Linwood and other Lumber suitable for the business, taken in exchange for furniture.

Remember the shop is on Market street, Clearfield, and nearly opposite the "Old Jew Store."

December 4, 1861. JOHN GUELICH.

ALWAYS AHEAD!

BOYNTON, SHOWERS, & GRAHAM.

Are now offering goods to the public at the

LOWEST CASH PRICES.

Their stock consists of a general variety of Dry-Goods, Groceries, Hardware, Queens-ware, Tin-ware, Willow-ware, Wooden-ware, Provisions, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, and Clothing, &c.

SADDLES, Bridles, harness, collars, &c., for sale at MERRELL & BIGLER'S.

PULLEY BLOCKS—of various sizes to be had at MERRELL & BIGLER'S.

A LARGE STOCK OF GLASS, paints, oils, white lead, &c., at E. A. IRVIN'S.

J. P. BEARD, WITH JIPPEN COTT, BOND & CO., Manufacturers and Wholesale Dealers in Hats, Caps, Furs, and Straw Goods, No. 413 Market St., Philadelphia, Pa. May 23d, 1866.

KEATING ESTATE.—Mr. Chas. A. Sehnars has no authority to sell lands or receive moneys belonging to this estate. Persons having paid him moneys will please inform me of the dates and amounts. Wm. A. WALLACE, Attorney to Adm'r. June 20, 1866. 3ip.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of Administration on the estate of Thomas Robinson, late of Clearfield county, Pa., deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment without delay, and those having claims against the same will present them properly authenticated for settlement. G. H. LITTLE, Adm'r. May 16, 1866, pd.

CAUTION.—All persons are hereby cautioned against purchasing or meddling with the following property, now in the hands of John Briggs, of Ferguson township, to wit: 1 bay horse, 1 bay colt, 2 cows, farming utensils, 6 sheep, 2 dogs, stoves, beds and household furniture, as the same belongs to me and has only been lent with said Briggs on loan, and subject to my orders at any time. June 20, 1866. LEWIS J. HURD.

LUMBER-CITY RACES AGAIN!

KIRK & SPENCER

KEEP THE INSIDE TRACK!

Their celebrated thorough bred Steed, "CHIEFEST FOR CASH," the Peoples' favorite!

Remember this, and when in want of seasonable goods at the very lowest possible cash price, call at the store of KIRK & SPENCER, in Lumber City. You will not fail to be suited. Dress Goods and Notions in great variety. We study to please.

KIRK & SPENCER, Lumber City, Pa., July 1, 1865.

REMEMBER,

THE CHEAPEST AND BEST GOODS

ARE TO BE HAD AT THE

CHEAP CASH STORE.

WILLIAM F. IRWIN

Has Removed His Cheap Cash Store

To his new room, recently erected on South Second street, Clearfield, Pa., where he will be pleased to have his old friends call to see him, and as many new ones as will favor him with their custom.

NEW SPRING GOODS.

The undersigned has just received from the Eastern cities a large and well selected stock of the most seasonable goods, which he can dispose of at the cheapest prices. His friends and customers are invited to examine his stock of goods, and ascertain the prices before purchasing elsewhere, as he feels persuaded none undersell him. His stock embraces a well selected assortment of

Dry-Goods and Notions, Hardware, Queens-ware, Groceries, Drugs, Oils and Paints, Glass, Hats and Caps, Baskets and Buckets, School Books and Stationary, Salt, Axes, Nails and Spikes.

Also, a large assortment of Boots and Shoes of the very best makes, and at prices lower than heretofore.

Also, Dried Fruits, and Canned fruits, and a great variety of other useful articles, all of which will be sold cheap for cash, or exchanged for approved produce.

Go to the "cheap cash store" if you want to buy goods at fair prices. May 2, 1866. WM. F. IRWIN.

H. W. SMITH & CO.,

Market Street, Clearfield, Pa.

ARE OPENING

Selling the cheapest and best line of Dry Goods offered in Clearfield county. Having been the last to purchase, we have the advantage of the decline in prices, and offer this advantage to all our customers, and all others.

In ladies dress goods we bring only the latest and most fashionable materials. Alpaca, which is no "so fashionable" in the East, we have good qualities as low as 45 cents, and good shades and colors.

We offer also a novelty, which has just appeared in dress goods called "Perale Robes." They come in patterns and comprise all shades and designs. They are all ready to make up, the trimming being attached to the pattern. These goods possess also the advantage of being done up at any time.

Fancy Dry Goods. Ladies' Trim'd Derby, Ladies' Fancy Trimmings, Ladies' Straw Ornaments, Ladies' Straw Mitts, Ladies' Fine silk Nets, Ladies' Fancy Chenille, Ladies' Magic Ruffling, Ladies' Lace Trimmings, Ladies' Thread Edgings, Ladies' Silk Tassels, Ladies' Val. Buttons, Ladies' Silk Scarfs, Ladies' Emb'd Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Striped Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Lawn Handkerchiefs, Ladies' Assorted Shirts, Ladies' Emp. H. P. Skirts, Ladies' Skirt covers.

Mens' Wear. Fine assortment Fancy Cassimeres in Patterns, extremely cheap.

Boots and Shoes. Mens' Heavy Monroes, Mens' Fine Calf Boots, Mens' Goat Slippers, Mens' Glove Calf Gaiters, Mens' Oiled Slippers, Mens' Pat. L. Ther. Boots, Youth's and Boys Shoes, all sizes and styles, Straw Hats, Hosiery, Kid Gloves and Collars.

Stationary of all kinds. Ladies' Lasting Gaiters, Misses' Lasting Gaiters, Misses' Goat Boots, Ladies' Glove Calf Boots, Child's Morocco Slippers, Child's Morocco Slippers, Ladies' Shaker Slippers, Ladies' Opera Slippers.

Sundowns. Ladies' Cam's Sundowns, Ladies' Derby Hats, Ladies' Split Hats, Ladies' Luten Hats, Misses' Luten Hats, Infants' Luten Hats, Infants' Willow Caps.

Crackers. Sugarcrackers, Lemon biscuit, Egg biscuit, Fancy biscuit, Watercrackers, and Butter crackers.

Oils and Spices. New Orleans Molasses, Super Extra Syrup, Sugars, Coffee, Rice, Tea, Candles, Soap, Tobacco, and Cigars.

Hoes and Rakes. Graft Hooks and Trowels, Mops, Oil cloths, Willow Ware, Fish, Salt, and Hams.

Clearfield, Pa. May 9, 1866.

CARRIAGE WHIPS. Wagon whips, Riding whips, raw-hides, lashes, etc. in great variety at J. P. KRATZER'S.

IRON! IRON!!—Bar iron, for sale at the store of MERRELL & BIGLER.

H. BRIDGE, MERCHANT TAILOR.

Market Street, Clearfield, Pa.

[One door East of the Clearfield House.]

Keeps on hand a full assortment of Gents' Furnishing goods, such as Shirts, (linen and woolen), Undershirts, Drawers and Socks, Neckties, Pocket Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Umbrellas, Hats, etc., in great variety. Of piece goods he keeps the Best Cloths, (of all shades,) Black Doe-skin Cassimeres of the best make, Fancy Cassimeres in great variety.

Also, French Coverings; Beaver, Pilot, Chinchilla, and Tricot Over-coatings, all of which will be sold cheap for cash, and made up according to the latest styles, by experienced workmen. Also agent for Clearfield county, for T. M. Singer & Co's Sewing Machines. November 1, 1865.

ATTENTION! BUYERS!!

HIPPLE & FAUST

DEALERS IN FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC DRY-GOODS, &c. MAIN STREET, CURWENSVILLE, PA.

Having just returned from the east with a general assortment of goods, to which they desire to invite the attention of their old customers and friends. Their stock consists of Dry-Goods, Groceries, Hardware, Queensware, Tinware, Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps, Clothing, Notions, etc., in great variety, which they now offer at prices for cash to suit the times.

They also deal in Grain, Pork, Shingles, Boards, and other lumber, which will be received at the highest market prices in exchange for goods.

Persons desirous of purchasing goods at fair rates are respectfully requested to give us a call. Remember you can find us at the old stand on Main Street where we are prepared to accommodate customers with anything in our line of business. Sept. 6, 1865. HIPPLE & FAUST.

SPRING GOODS.

C. KRATZER & SON,

Are just opening at the Old Stand above the Academy.

A large and splendid assortment of Spring goods, which they are selling at greatly reduced prices.

Particular attention is invited to their stock of

CARPETS.

(Cottage, common Ingrains, and superior English Ingrains, and Brussels) Floor and Table Oil-cloths, Window Shades and Wall Papers.

Special pains have been taken in the selection of Ladies' Dress Goods, White Goods, Embroideries and Millinery goods.

They have also a large stock of Ready-made clothing and Boots and Shoes, which they will sell at a small advance on city cost.

Flour, Bacon, Fish, Salt and Plaster, Apples, Peaches and Prunes kept constantly on hand. Also, some pure Brandy, Whiskey and Wines for medicinal uses.

Also in store a quantity of large and small clover seed.

We intend to make it an object for Farmers and Mechanics to buy from us, because we will sell our goods as low as they can be bought in the county; and will pay the very highest price for all kinds of country produce. We will also exchange goods for School, Road and County order tickets, Boards and every kind of manufactured Lumber. March 14, 1866.

NEW GOODS.

MRS. H. D. WELSH & CO.,

Have Just Received and Opened a Stock of

SEASONABLE GOODS,

Which were purchased during the present decline, and therefore are enabled to sell very cheap.

OUR STOCK

Consists in part of Merinos, Alpaca, Poplins, Wool, Armure, and common Delaines; Prints, Gingham, Shawls, Hoods, Hosiery, Gloves, Nubias, Balmoral and Hoop Skirts, Flannels, Ladies' Cloth, Sheetings, Muslins, Toweling, Tickings, Sontags, Breakfast Shawls, Capes, &c. Also, a full assortment of

MILLINERY GOODS, Among which are Hats, Bonnets, Feather Ribbons, Flowers, Laces, Frames, Mattings, Velvets, Silks, Capes, Berages, &c., &c., and a large stock of

CHILDRENS' TOYS, Including China, Bronze, Papier Maché, Tin, Rosewood, Glass, Pewter, Wooden, Parian and Candy Toys.

FOR LADIES, Such as Pomades, Oils, Balmoline, bloom of youths and Paints, Rouge, Lilly White, &c.

Thankful for past favors, we solicit a continuance of the kind patronage of the people of Clearfield county.

Remember the place—Second Street, next door to First National Bank. Nov. 29, 1865.

GREAT EXCITEMENT

ON SECOND STREET, CLEARFIELD, PA.

NEW FIRM AND NEW ARRANGEMENT.

AND NEW GOODS AT VERY LOW PRICES.

The undersigned having formed a copartnership in the Mercantile business, would respectfully invite the attention of the public generally to their splendid assortment of Merchandise, which is now being sold very low for cash. Their stock consists in part of

DRY GOODS

of the best quality, such as Prints, Delaines, Alpaca, Merinos, Gingham, Muslins, bleached and unbleached; Drilling, Tickings, cotton and wool dress; Shawls, Ladies' Shawls, Coats, Nubias, Hoods, Hoop skirts, Balmorals, &c., all of which will be sold low for cash. Also, a fine assortment of the best of

MENS' WEAR,

consisting of Drawers and Shirts, Hats and Caps, Boots and Shoes, Handkerchiefs cravats, &c.

Also, Raft Rope, Dog Rope, Rattina Augurs and Axes, Nails and Spikes, Tinware, Lamps and Lamp wicks and chimneys, &c., &c.

Also, Queensware, Glassware, Hardware, Groceries, and spices of all kinds. In short, a general assortment of every thing usually kept in a retail store, all cheap for cash, or approved country produce. Jan. 10, 1866. WRIGHT & FLANGAN.

FISH, SALT AND PLASTER, for sale at Meta's, Glen Hope, Pa. May 30, 1866.

FOR SALE—at least a good cook stove, to close out the stock, at the cheap cash store of K. MOSSOP, Clearfield, Pa.

LADIES FURS, and Gents' fur caps, for sale at the "corner" store, Curwensville, Pa.

TO HORSE OWNERS.—The undersigned, having recently discovered an infallible and simple cure for that annoying malady in horses known as "hoof-bound." Any person sending \$1 in a letter, will receive by return mail a recipe giving proper directions as to the necessary treatment. Address, JACOB IRWIN, Clearfield, Pa. September 21, 1864-t.

D. M'GAUGHEY, PHOTO-

grapher, having purchased the Photograph establishment formerly conducted by H. Bridge, would respectfully announce to the citizens of Clearfield and adjoining counties, that he has recently made additional improvements to both sky-light and apparatus, and he flatters himself that he can satisfy the most fastidious taste in a true and lifelike likeness. He also keeps constantly on hand a good assortment of Guilt, Rosewood, and Walnut frames—Albums of all sizes and styles—and an endless variety of cases, lockets, etc., which he will dispose of at very moderate prices, for cash.

His gallery is in Shaw's row, (up stairs), Market street, Clearfield, Pa., where he is always ready to accommodate customers who may be in want of a good likeness of themselves or friends. Particular attention paid to copying all kinds of pictures, &c. November 1, 1865.

TO MUSIC TEACHERS AND DEALERS.

The subscriber is fully prepared to furnish Sheet Music, Strings, Musical Instruments, and Music Books of all kinds at the lowest trade rates, wholesale and retail, from the largest collections in this country.

Orders punctually and faithfully attended to. Address all orders, SIBERIA OTT, 581 Broadway, N. Y.

THE BOARDMAN, GRAY & CO.

PIANO FORTES,



WHOLESALE AGENCY.

The subscriber, late a member of this well known firm has established a

WHOLESALE AGENCY,

581 Broadway, New York City,

Where he will be pleased to receive the orders of his friends and the public, and especially to hear from those who have so liberally bestowed their patronage on the firm heretofore. He will supply these superior instruments to the trade

Wholesale and Retail, at the very Lowest Prices.

Made with the Insulated Iron Rim and Frame (cast in one solid plate). They excel all others in durability and superiority of tone, and elegance of external appearance.

All these Pianos have overstrung Scales, giving in connection with the patent iron rim and frame, Full Round Powerful, and Sweet Mellow Tones. The Cases are elegant in appearance, and easily and safely handled.

Warranted to prove satisfactory, or the money returned. Address all orders to SIBERIA OTT, 581 Broadway, N. Y.

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