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### The Noted Highwayman and Counterfeiter.

(Continued from last week.)

In the evening I repaired to the house in which I was born, situated in Hanover street, nearly opposite Dr. Foulke, and so strong was my affection for the natal spot that I stooped down and kissed the sill of the door, on which I had frequently sat by the side of my mother, and enjoyed the innocent sports of boys older and bigger than myself, who played around us in the street. I was anxious again to see the draw-well which stood in the street a short distance from the house, and expected to find the same bucket hanging in the well, from which I had often, unknown to my mother, allayed my thirst; but finding a pump in its stead, I drew up as much water as cooled my parched and burning mouth, which I drank out of the hollow of my hand; but alas! it could not quench the consuming fire that raged in my bosom. The scene brought to my recollection the happy days of my infancy and innocence, which had gone by never to return, and the comparison between what I had been and what I now was, filled my heart with compunction. I felt as one possessed of two distinct souls, and two opposite natures, one inclining me to virtue and the other drawing me to vice and crime; the strength of the latter prevailed over the weakness of the former, and had plunged me in that deep and black abyss of guilt from which I found it impossible to rise. My heart was torn to pieces by the violence of feelings which now agitated me, and I shed a profuse shower of tears; but tears afforded relief only to those who are at peace with themselves, alas! they brought none to a miserable wretch so guilty as I had been. This gentle fluid of humanity, while it ran from my inflamed eyes only scalded my cheeks without relieving my bursting heart. I remained sometime in this agony of feeling transfixed to the spot like a statue of despair, and might have continued to remain much longer, except for some soft sounds of music which broke upon my ear. I immediately turned round and found the sound proceeded from a house up an adjacent alley where I followed until I came to the stone dwelling from which the sound issued. I stopped and listened with breathless attention. Finding it resembled the melody of sacred music, I opened the gate and proceeded to the window, when, peeping through one of the broken shutters, I observed the delightful spectacle of an aged couple closing the labors and duties of the day in exercises of devotion and worship. It was a sight to which I had not been accustomed, and when the venerable Man of God, in the concluding prayer, pronounced, with the voice and countenance of an angel the solemn expression, amen! I involuntarily repeated the words in so loud a tone that made them both start with surprise and astonishment; but lest my appearance by remaining longer should add to the terror of this worthy pair, I instantly escaped without being noticed or perceived.

Retiring from the interesting spot with more composure than when I came to it, my meditations recalled to my memory the religious impressions with which I had once before been affected, in New York, on hearing the Rev. Bishop Hubbard preach in that city, and lamented how easily they had been effaced by the guilty pleasures and criminal scenes in which I indulged on that occasion to dissipate their effects. After walking the streets for some time in search of a resting place for the night, I happened to pass the public offices, and finding the door open, I preferred the hard bed and miserable shelter which they might afford my

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## Still Evergreen.

The Green Hill Presbyterian Sabbath school still carries the colors of an "Evergreen S. S."—There have been secured for the first quarter of the New Year the finest and best lesson helps to the study of the Bible lessons, and the most beautiful literature for home reading the school has ever had. The work of the Home Department is being pushed with new life and vigor. It is no little thing to keep a Sabbath school in the country districts open during the winter months,—distance, muddy, slushy, snow-drifted roads, changeable weather, cold wind, rain, and snow storms, all retard the work. But this school keeps open the year round for the following sufficient reasons:

1. Because if a school hibernates through the winter, it requires so long after re-starting in the spring to get the school back to normal condition, and but little growth is made during the summer.

2. Because, if a school hibernates during the winter months the school and home get out of tune. Interest in the school, its teachings, its work, its life—all become dormant. The young people in the homes get out of the line of God's appointed means of grace; and, if the weather and other conditions are such that they can get about at all, instead of going to Sabbath school, they will go skating, sleighing, buggy-riding visiting or some other form of pleasure.

3. Because if a school hibernates during the winter months, the most deplorable impressions of all is made upon the young, which lasts through life that the Sabbath school is only for pleasant sun-shiny days, and as they grow to manhood and womanhood, they will then regard every means of grace and every good cause. A Sabbath school can be held all the year round in any country, where people live if there can be found one man or woman, with an undying zeal for the cause of Christ.

### Thompson.

Mr. Plank and Mr. Bell of Harrisburg, spent last week at Ben Simpson's.

Mr. D. E. Little and wife of McConnellsburg were calling on friends here last Sunday.

Howard Zimmerman and family of Hancock are visiting Mrs. Zimmerman's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Hess.

The Salvation Army people are holding a series of meetings on the Ridge.

Calvin Hewett and brother Warner have returned to Somerset county.

P. F. Shives expects to go to Johnstown Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Latton and family who had been visiting friends here during the past month, returned to their western home Tuesday.

### West Dublin.

John Deavor expects to go back to Millersville to-day after a two weeks' vacation.

The sleet and ice last Saturday morning caused a large limb to break from a tree near the American Telephone and Telegraph line, a half mile west of West Dublin, and tear down eleven of the wires, which required several hours' work Saturday and Sunday to repair.

Frank Davis lost a horse Saturday morning from heart failure.

William Martz is home after working several months in New Jersey for the A. T. and T Company.

Supt. Barton visited the schools in this vicinity last Friday.

Miss Maggie Unger of Colorado Springs had recently submitted to another surgical operation on her injured limb. It was found necessary to cut the leg open to the bone and saw the ends of the fractured parts of the bone off and reunite them.

## FULTON COUNTY MARRIAGES.

### Those Who Took the Important Step during the Year 1902.

#### JANUARY.

1. By Rev. C. M. Smith, at McConnellsburg, J. Emery Thomas of Ayr, and Miss Mary Rotz of Tod.
17. By Rev. Absalom Mellott, at the residence of Jonas Truax in Belfast township, William H. Sipes of Union township and Miss Anna May Everts of Licking Creek township.

#### FEBRUARY.

2. At McConnellsburg, by Rev. A. D. McClosky, Mr. Albert Kerr and Miss Linna L. Fore, both of township.

19. At the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. J. C. Garland in Belfast, Mr. Bert Wilson and Miss Gertie E. Sipes, both of Licking Creek township.

19. By Rev. J. H. Fauest at the M. E. parsonage, Mr. Zechariah McElheney and Miss Verda A. Stevens, both of Dublin.

#### MARCH.

3. At Three Springs, by Rev. W. J. Scheaffer, Mr. Albert Edwards of Taylor township and Miss Alice McQuate of Robertsdale.

5. At Clear Ridge by Rev. J. L. Melroy Mr. Jesse B. Keeler and Miss Teresa B. Fraker, both of Taylor township.

5. At Hustontown, by Rev. A. Jackson Mr. Elmer Glunt of Dublin township and Miss Etta Wagner of Tod.

9. At the residence of Lewis Shaw by Rev. E. Ray Simons, Mr. Harry B. Hill and Miss Nora E. Shaw both of Thompson.

11. At McConnellsburg by Rev. A. D. McClosky, Mr. Edward Bradnick of Dublin, and Miss Annie Bradnick of Taylor.

12. By Rev. Lewis Chambers at his residence in Ayr township Mr. James Bivens and Miss Alice Craig both of Ayr.

12. At McConnellsburg by Rev. A. D. McClosky, Mr. Jesse Lee Hixson of Brush Creek, and Miss Sarah Blanche Shimer of McConnellsburg.

12. At the residence of the pastor, Rev. J. C. Garland, Mr. Austin Lake, of Licking Creek township and Miss Lolo C. Mellott, of Ayr township.

13. At the residence of the bride's parents, by Rev. J. C. Garland Mr. Frank B. Spade, of Emmaville, and Miss Martha Bard of Pleasant Ridge.

13. At Knobsville by Rev. Wm. A. West, D. D., Mr. Frank W. Fore and Miss Mary C. Hamil.

17. At Hustontown, by Rev. John R. Melroy, Robert M. Huston and Miss Ella G. Kirk, both of Taylor township.

18. At McConnellsburg by Rev. A. G. Wolf, Mr. Otho Summers, of Tod township and Miss Catharine King of Licking Creek.

21. At the residence of Amanda Slacker by Justice of the Peace Daniel Covalt, Mr. Victor Lynch of Belfast and Miss Anna Slacker of Thompson.

26. At Everett, by Rev. Geo. A. Fulcher, Mr. James Walter Metz, and Miss Duella Kline, both of Wells Tannery.

26. At the residence of the officiating minister Rev. D. B. Liske in Licking Creek township, Mr. Harry M. Tilden of Franklin county and Cora E. Sipes of Licking Creek township.

30. At Cove Tannery by Rev. Lewis Chambers, Mr. Samuel A. Hess of Thompson and Miss Georgia V. Truax of Belfast.

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## Court House Changes.

The new board of county commissioners, George Sigel of Union and S. D. Mellott and H. Park Palmer of Bethel, on Monday took charge of the business management of the affairs of Fulton county for three years. From the several applicants for the position they selected B. Frank Henry of Tod, and chose J. Nelson Sipes as their counsel. The new commissioners intend to see to it that care is taken of the public property, and will instruct the janitor to keep the court house clean, and lock the hall doors at night, thus shutting off a place for persons to find shelter and rowdies to rendezvous.

The new board of county auditors, W. C. Davis, John A. Myers and George W. Glenn are busy this week examining the accounts of the county treasurer for 1902. Their clerk is D. H. Myers. With the exception of Mr. Glenn, all the members of the board including the clerk has served in that capacity before and are thoroughly familiar with every detail of the work.

George A. Harris is now duly installed into the office as prothonotary register and recorder, and clerk of the courts, and Exprothonotary, &c., Frank P. Lynch is his deputy. In addition to his connection with that office Mr. Lynch will continue to give attention to the fire insurance business, and at no very distant date will be admitted to the bar as a practicing attorney.

### Brush Creek.

Rainy weather and muddy roads.

C. R. Akers has returned from a visit to the eastern counties.

W. H. Williams and M. P. Barton are still cutting wood.

Homer Akers is still on the sick list.

Lewis Duvall and Owen Ritchey are still engaged in sawing lumber for Jacob Barndollar.

Tice Brothers are also engaged in the lumber traffic.

O. A. Barton "our famous trapper" is slowly convalescing from a broken toe.

A crowd of skaters were enjoying the ice on "Rhoms" dam New Year's Eve.

The Akersville Sunday school elected the following officers Sunday January 4, superintendent A. W. Duvall; assistant superintendent Mrs. W. H. Williams; treasurer, J. N. Hixson; secretary, S. E. Walters, assistant secretary C. R. Akers, and librarian Walter Barton.

S. E. Walters spent Sunday night at C. R. Akers. What is the attraction, Ernest?

The Akersville High School is progressing very nicely under the management of its teacher, J. A. McKibbin.

Mr. J. Irvin Fraker formerly of Taylor, died in New York last week. More extended notice next week.

The borough schools re-opened Monday after nearly two weeks holiday vacation.

J. T. Mellott, near Needmore has four nice shools for sale, weigh about 35 lbs each.

Mr. William J. Layton and wife of Whips Cove were welcome callers at the News office Tuesday afternoon. They spent Tuesday night in the home of Andrew Mellott of this place.

Miss Elizabeth Patterson, of Webster Mills, Fulton county, who has charge of the music department at Blairsville college, Blairsville, stopped over for a few days' visit in Scotland on her return trip to the college and was the guest of Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Coffman.—Public Opinion.

We acknowledge the receipt of the handsomest calendars we have seen for a long time from Wholesale Grocer H. C. Heckerman of Bedford. Henry is a hustler, and no mistake, and Bedford deserves to be proud of this business enterprise of one of her own boys.

## A WOMAN'S NERVE.

### Successful Chase of an Erring Husband.

Last Wednesday noon the attention of persons on Water street was attracted to a strange lady in a buggy, fairly smothered in furs and robes, and driving a pair of wiry horses. She stopped for dinner at the Washington House, and then left for Chambersburg. It seems that the lady had been passing through some interesting personal experiences.

She said she was the wife of a certain Dr. Bluegrass, and that they had a comfortable home in Harrisburg. Her husband is one of those who travel with a nice team and go from town to town, manufacturing medicine at the hotel at which he stops and selling it to the "weak" and afflicted. He visited this place about five years ago, and several of our people who invested in his decorations at that time, have reason to remember him.

Sometimes in making his trips away from home he took his wife with him, and sometimes he did not.

During the fall he had been away for some time, but small weekly remittances from him kept them in touch. About four weeks before Christmas the remittances ceased, and she heard nothing from him until she received a letter from a friend saying that the doctor and a woman and a baby were then at a hotel at Princess Anne, Md.

Being convinced that her spouse needed looking after, but being without funds, she appealed to some of her relatives for money; but as she had married much against the wishes of her family, assistance was refused. Then she fell back upon her own resources. She pawned her watch and jewelry, closed their house, and with the money thus raised went to Hagerstown where she met her informant. Telephoning to Princess Anne, it was learned that the party had been there, but had gone to Cumberland. Mrs. Bluegrass next located them at Berlin, Somerset county. Following to Berlin, she learned that the party had been there but had gone to Windber. She arrived at Windber in time to find that they had left there. After some time spent in telegraphing, she located them at Berlin again, but before she reached Berlin, some one had informed the doctor that some one was "looking for him," and he changed base without giving any instructions about forwarding his mail.

Weary and disheartened, and her money almost gone, it seemed that she must abandon the chase, and with a heavy heart she retired for the night. While sleeping she dreamed that the party were at —— a small out-of-the-way village, six or eight miles from Berlin. In the morning, she asked the landlord whether there was such a place. He told her there was a village of that name, but said it would be a most unlikely place to find them. After some inquiry she found that the woman and child were there but that the man had gone into the country. Waiting until evening she procured a team and driver and went to the place.

Alighting from the buggy she went into the hall of the inn, when the landlord opened the parlor door. As she entered she saw them standing by the stove, her husband and the woman. When the woman recognized her she exclaimed, "My——" and fainted dead away. The doctor said "Why Mary, how did you get here?" "Well, I am here, all right!" she replied, "and you know what has brought me."

To make a long story short, Mrs. Bluegrass says her recreant husband was glad to sign such papers as had been prepared by her attorney before she left home transferring to her the home property; she compelled him, also, to turn over to her the team,

## Railroad Sure!

From the Fulton Republican we get the following in regard to an enterprise of much local interest:

"Application has been made to the Governor for a charter to construct, maintain and operate an incline railway across Tuscarora mountain between McConnellsburg and Fort Loudon for the purpose of transporting passengers, freight and mail.

"With this object in view a company was organized with Hon. D. H. Patterson as president; D. L. Grissinger, secretary and treasurer, and John P. Sipes, Esq., solicitor. As soon as the charter is granted, a complete organization will be effected and subscription books opened to the public. The par value of the stock will be fifty dollars a share. The matter has been mentioned to some eastern men who have intimated that they desire to take a large block of the stock, but the directors will endeavor to prevent any one particular firm securing sufficient stock to control the enterprise, unless there is lack of encouragement on the part of local capital.

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