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"I's done been mahied fo' times. Yassum! By de preachah ebry time, Dey couldn't hab no foolishness wid dis chile. My first husband's name was Casah Mahshall. He b'longed to Kunnel Mahshall, who at dat time was courtin' my mastah's daughtah, Miss Betty, an' ob course Casah he spen' a heap ob time round dar. Casah he a likely boy, an' all de cale town an' all de gais tort dey gwine to git him, but, laws, I knowed he didn't keer for none ob dem niggahs. I did keep a mighty keen eye, dough, on Lize. She a yaller gal allus a-rollin' her eyes an' tossin' her head an' thinkin' herself good as white folkses, one ob dese yer sly kind, too, a-sayin' flatterin' things dat make a man think she a-dyin' for lub ob him.

"I gib her mighty little chance to try any ob her sassy tricks on Cmsah. Men's dat powerful vain-you des know it's so, hency—dey swal-lahs ebry soft an' sugary speech ob de female sect as ef 'twar de libin' trufe. But Casah he wouldn't hab no one but des me. He sayed I was like Solomon's wife dat de Bible tells ob, 'black, but comely.' I ax de preachah once ef Solomon was a culfud gemlan. He looked scared to hab knowed. I waited on dat an' sayed he couldn't splain dat tex' man night an' day an' like to run to an ig nant pusson like me; saved it didn't mean what it sayed, but him as of he were de light ob my was a yaller glory 'bout de chu'ch.

Preachahs don't know ebrything ways. One day he shied a flation at more'n we uns, an' what's de use for me an' cut a gash ober my lef' year. f'rent from what dey is?

mahied an' lived in a little cabin me, an' de soonah de bettah.'
neah my mastah's house, 'cause I "Bout dat time mastah done neah my mastah's house, 'cause I tis an' de young ladies. Dey wore dem days, an' no one could do de washin' an' i'nin' to suit dem but me. But I had a little time in my own house, an' Cæsah he come often. I was dat happy I went roun' seen him since. singin' from mawnin' twel night, neber tort 'bout the nex' day an' kase he was lively an' kep' us all what it might bring fo'th. Ef I a-laughin' with his jokes. He playsweetness ob dat time shet off to on by dis time, an' nuffin' would do

"De time went by twel one mawn-

aft'wards dev look mighty queah at me. Lize, dat yaller gal I's tellin' yo' ob, she run back an' hug de baby. Yo' pore critah, I thought, yo'd gib all dat finery for sich a honeydron.

Sad luck, an' I tole him so 'fore he went. Joe had a good heart, dough, an' I don't spect de Lawd will be hard on him for habin' been bawn so giddy.

"Aft' while, when de prockelmation act de culled nearly for sich a honeydron."

honeydrop. "An' I waited. Plenty things might ob happen for to keep Casah away, so I sang Rosy to sleep. Den somehow I 'gan to 'member de looks an' de whispers dat I hadn't noticed at de time, an' it seem to grow dark, dough de sun was a-shinin', an' de chills crep' ober me. Ole mistis' mockin' bird up at de big house, how it did sing! I 'spise a mockin' bird eber sence. I waited, an' aft' while ole mistis come walkin' down the paf. She was bawn an' raised in de nawf, was ole mistis, an' neber peared to like de black people. She had berry sharp eyes, 'bout de color ob de blade ob yo' new razah, sah, an' when she come close an' look at me I felt as ef dey cut me clean froo. She hab a soft voice, an' dar was a little smile on her face when was des befo' I come heah. I nebah she tole me—she tole me—she tretch up an' pick some yaller roses did talk too much 'bout de fust from de bush dat grow'd ober de do', an' she say dat ef I spect to git to camp meetin' I better be a-gwine; dat I'd haf to pack de chile de whole way, for Cæsah he fur 'nough off now. She tole me he been sold down souf, whar he'd be 'bliged to pick cotton an' git ober some ob his pick cotton an' git ober some ob his

rom Independence, for \$2.40 it under my feet. Aftah dat for a so tuck up wid de harps an' de bangoing Saturday or Sunday spell I don't rightly 'member what jos dat he won't think ob nuffin' spell I don't rightly 'member what happened. Dey tole me dat Cæsah happened. Dey tole me dat Cæsah he try to 'scape frum de tradah's; all day Sunday and Monday reland. The same arrange-applies from Portland, giving and people a chance to visit points at greatly reduced him dead. Hebenly Mastah, an' I lubed him so!

"I lib through it all. Many a "The light that shone on the black"

woman, black or white, could tell face as she turned away was a token yo' dat she goes on a libin' an' ev- of faith and hope, an outward sign ery night a'prayin' de Lawd her soul of an inward grace the whitest of us

"I foun' out dat Kunnel Mahshall he felt so mighty pore dat he had to sell some ob his sehvants. De kunnel he one ob de real Kentucky gemien—great man to be a-bettin' an' a hoss racin'. He'd loss a heap ob money on his fas' hoss, kase it

wasn't so fas' as some ob de rest, an' he an' Miss Betty a-gwine to be mahied, so ob course he must hab money, an' he sold Casah.

"Den Rosy died, an' when I look at her in de little coffin I's dat glad I couldn't cry. I's glad, honey, kase she neber had no trouble.

"Well, de time go on, an' diff'rent men dey ax me to marry, but I tole dem to go off 'bout deir business. But, laws, a man cain't b'li've a woman don't keer nuffin' fer him! So dey kep' hangin' roun' till mistis she say I mus' marry. Mistis she had a thrifty turn an' wanted all her people to marry an' raise chillen, kase chillen proputty in dem days. Bless de Lawd, I didn't hab no mo' chillen fer her to count as I do de Painton Extraction

"At las' I mahied Big Tom to git shet ob him, but I done miss it, fer shore as yo' lib dat crittah tuck de kinsumption. He war de mos' mis'able, no 'count niggah I 'member my laigs off; tried to be as good to eyes, but nuffin' pleased him no twis' de words ob de good book dif-f'rent from what dey is? De scar's dar yit. I's pow'ful mad den, an' says I, 'Ole man, ye kin "Well, Casah an' me we done got cough yer livah an' lights up for all

had to work hard waitin' on ole mis- send him down de ribah on some business. Tom he were mastah's heaps ob fine muslins an' lawns in right han', an' mastah didn't pay no 'tention to de kinsumption dat he

was too happy with de things ob ed de fiddle like an angel, too, an' dis worl' de Lawd knows my heart when I sot an' listened seemed as been heavy dis many yeahs to pay of I could see beyond de stahs cl'ar for it. 'Pears like all dat's happen into de New Jerusalem. But Joe since has des teched de outside ob didn't have good judgment bout INDEPENDENCE, my feelin's an' lef' all de heavenly some mattahs. De wah was a-gwine but Joe he mus' go with Kunnel Mahshall down into Jawgy for to in' in de summah Cæsah he a-gwine to come an tote de chile ober in de bill. It is to came an tote de chile ober in de hills to a camp meetin'. She was to go. He was a-gwine to be a two munce old, an' I hadn't neber drummah an' was dat heedless he had her way from home befo'. Dar's nevah 'flected dat he was on de no tellin' how proud we bofe was ob dar'd be anything else but playin' INDEPENDENCE, - OREGON. "Dat mawnin' I dress her, an' I on de fife an' drum. In de berry waited. De people roun' de place dey get ready an go. None ob dem stopped to talk, but I 'membered bad luck, an' I tole him so 'fore he

tion set de culled people free, de family bruck up, an' I went up to Louisville for to get washin' an' i'nin'. Dar I met Mistah Smith at pra'r meetin'. He were pow'ful in pra'r, an' he seem struck with my 'pearance. I had on my violent dress for de fust time. At de second pra'r meetin' he tole me he'd had a hebenly vision which sayed I was to be his second pahtnah. Course I couldn't stan' out 'gainst de will ob de Lawd, an' dat's why I's now Mrs. Smith. His name was Obadiah, but he 'quested me for to call him Mistah Smith; sayed it 'corded bettah wid de condition ob de woman to be 'spectful to de husban', man, he say, bein' so s'perior.

"Mistah Smith an' me we done git

many husban's? I won't hab but "When she were gone 'way I tore one, bless de Lawd, an' dat's Casah.
de yaller resebush down an' tromp Tom he won't be dah. Joe he'll be

seldom wear.

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