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IT SUITS HIM.

And He is Not a United Presbyterian, Either.

[We give space to the following comments on Rev. J. L. Grove's sermon which appeared in the "News" of March 13.—EDITOR.]

Having just finished reading Brother Grove's sermon, I feel that I would like to express my appreciation of its merits.

It certainly is a masterpiece of deep well chosen expressions from God's word. Few men of Brother Grove's calibre, outside of the Primitive Baptists are to be found. So many are afraid to declare the whole council of our Lord. The sermon is certainly replete with the absolute predetermination of all things—that man is in His presence, as the grass of the field.

Man was created upright, but by his own perverseness has gone astray; but notwithstanding his apostasy from his original state God loves him still, and gave the life of His Son a ransom for him to be testified in due season.—That man is, and what he does, is proof of what he is.

No man can do the things set forth in the latter part of Brother Grove's sermon, except he be taught of the Lord—except he has come up out of great tribulation—has had his robes washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb. I heartily concur with the Brother, that the work of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul. The motive in every work is perceptible; though not expressed.

No man can know himself as he is, except for the mercy of the Lord. He must be with his Lord, in order to appreciate His sufferings; he must be born again—not of the will of the flesh—but by the word of the Lord which liveth and abideth forever.

Surely, then, it must be true that all his children must be taught of the Lord, and great shall be their peace. He calleth them by name. As a shepherd, he divideth the sheep from the goats. Every child of grace knows the utter depravity of the human heart, but no one else knows, no one having ever yet confessed that his heart was wicked above all things, but the child of God.

He knows experimentally that this world is only a crust getting thinner and thinner as the years go by, that this is not his home, but only a prelude to a mansion in the beautiful beyond.

In conclusion, I think if all were as fearless to speak the truth as our brother has been in regard to the life hereafter, the devil would be cheated out of a lot of business in the years to come.

Laidig.

Mrs. Andrew Brandt visited her sister, Mrs. Frank Davis, one day last week.

David Stevens, who has been ill for some time, is improving.

Miss Lydia Mumma, who has been at Chambersburg, is home visiting her father, D. vid Mumma.

Miss Nettie Foreman of Altoona is home visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Foreman.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Hampton have moved off the farm into Laidig. Welcome, our new neighbors.

A taffy party was held at Mrs. Demaris Davis's one night last week.

The ladies near here went visiting one day last week. Having a lusty hostler, who was afraid to get in behind the horse, he led the animal through Laidig, and as he couldn't keep up with the horse, the ladies got out and walked and he turned and led the horse back home.

Professor Ranck will soon close his school at this place, after which he will move to Hopewell where he has a job awaiting him.

William Rindollar who has been a good neighbor and excellent citizen of our locality for some years removed to the Swigert farm near Mercersburg last week.—Greencastle Press.

Warfordsburg.

March 17, 1902.

MR. EDITOR:

Allow me through the columns of your paper to say just a few words in regard to the promised bridge over Tonoloway creek at Charlton's fording.

I have spent four weeks the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Charlton, and in that time, we have been able to drive that fording just once.

Since our last heavy snows of March 4 and 5 the stream has been impassable for a buggy, and but one man has ventured to ford it on horseback. A few days ago returning from a visit to Buck Valley, we were compelled to drive four miles out of our way because of this fording.

This morning when it was necessary for a gentleman to meet a train at Hancock, his driver traveled over the said four miles of rough roads, crossed the stream at Stigers' bridge, and drove to within two minutes walk of the Charlton fording, where his passenger crossed by foot-log and continued his journey. (The same route I expect to travel to-morrow to meet my train.)

While I write, a horse stands hitched at Mr. Charlton's gate, whose rider was compelled to cross the foot-log, and travel through mud to Warfordsburg, where business called him. A few days ago, Mr. Powell of Thompson township had to leave his horse and travel to Warfordsburg in search of a doctor (who evidently was water-bound somewhere.) Mr. Powell's horse would have stood from 9 o'clock a. m. until the rider returned at 3 p. m. had not Mr. Charlton, through pity for the animal, put it in his stable.

If the commissioners cannot see the need of a bridge at this crossing, they should, at least, establish a sub-station of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals; for it certainly is cruel to either compel a horse to ford this creek in cold weather, or stand out while his rider tramps the rest of the way.

After an absence of nearly twelve years, I was pleased to see the great improvements. They speak volumes for the sturdy farmers. The commodious farm houses that have taken the place of the log cabins that sheltered the pioneer and his family, the fences that have been rebuilt, the great acreage of winter grains, the well filled granaries, the fine stock found in their yards, the fine barns and orchards—all attest the farmers' worth.

Now, we look into the financial condition of the county, and find it all right. In fact, in all my inquiries I can learn nothing but good reports of the tax paying community.

But, to return to the bridge, I have never met the men who are responsible for the lack of bridges but must admit I am anxious to see men, who see no need of a bridge at Charlton's fording.

The people of Pigeon Cove, who, by the way, are heavy taxpayers, are completely cut off from the outside world—socially and religiously—cannot even get to Warfordsburg to church.

Excuse the interruption: Another horse stands impatiently champing his bit at the gate, while his rider is plodding his weary way to the "Burg." We are looking anxiously for some of the county officials to be compelled to ford the stream by way of this "perfectly safe" fording. During the snow of late January, a sled load—a family party—drove to the creek. The driver, a man of mature years, hesitated for a time, then the woman and children got out, crossed the foot-log carrying with them the robes, wraps, etc. I did not really see how the driver could get over, but at last the other side was reached, and the good wife and little ones were replaced in the sled upon the dripping straw to continue their journey with the mercury way below freezing point.

No, Fulton county has no railroads, and I very much doubt their not having one. If we cannot build but one county bridge a year, the outlook for a railroad is very discouraging, if we are expected to help build it. The time has come for improvements, and men are not longer willing to risk their lives, and the lives of their horses for need of bridges. They have been a patient people, but now the cry goes up for this bridge. Give it to them. In the name of humanity, give it to them, and there will be reason for, and a season of rejoicing when the bridge at Tonoloway fording is opened to travel.

I am not a resident of Fulton county, but a taxpayer, and feel interested in the welfare of the county, and hope when I visit again I can cross by bridge and go home when I get ready; and not be creek-bound day after day until my patience and, perhaps my welcome in exhausted, should the creek keep up.

TAXPAYER.

Knobsville.

Miss Nellie Kelso, who has been making her home with her sister, Mrs. Gilbert Kerlin at Clear Ridge, is visiting her friends here.

Miss Lillian Fleming accompanied by Myrtle Kelso, was visiting her pupils, the Mumma family last Sunday.

The protracted meeting at this place has closed. There were several conversions.

Miss Nellie Tice who has been at Altoona for sometime, came home Saturday night; as did, also, her brother-in-law and sister Mr. and Mrs. Folk, accompanied by their two little children.

Uncle John Glunt had quite a large family last Sunday.

Bert Fraker came out to see the Tice family Sunday evening.

Mary Long is going to B. J. Wilds's to work.

Miss Julia Mellott is home from Chambersburg.

Miss Dora Sherman is living at the widow Fore's.

A few of the young people had a surprise party for Miss Long and Miss Amy Fleming.

Breezy Lane.

Breezy Lane not being represented in the columns of the "News," I will try to post you concerning the happenings of this important geographical centre.

News is scarce this week; people are busy doing up their spring jobs.

Sheridan Deshong and James H. Fagley are exercising their muscles putting up garden fence.

E. R. Fagley, our enterprising young carpenter, has just completed his new barn. Of course he ought, he rises early enough.

Any one desiring to hear good music, can gratify their wish by calling at the home of Scott Mellott, where they will be entertained by the melodious strains proceeding from the artistic touch of the owner.

William R. Mellott sings "Westward Ho," every other Saturday night.

The marriage mania is fast over-spreading this community.

George R. Fagley has worn blisters on his hands sharpening his ax to cut pines.

Pratt, Md.

I noticed in last week's "News" under the head of "Little Hancock" that Mrs. Collie Reed had completed a quilt containing 10,550 pieces, and wanted to know who could beat it?

Mrs. Clarence Gobin, of Pratt, Md., formerly of Fort Littleton, has a quilt nearly completed that contains 10,584 pieces. The squares are in the form of an eight point star, and nine stars are required to make a quilt 5x7 feet—the border and connecting squares not included.

Col. Wm. Bishop, of McConnellsbury who has been spending the winter in the home of Mr. Clarence Gobin, at this place is visiting through Fulton county.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson of Cumberland, Md., spent Sabbath at the latter's home at this place.

Sold Out His Interest.

From The Everett Press.

Not many people know that the firm of Messrs. E. N. and W. S. Palmer is no more doing business under that title. Mr. E. N. Palmer has purchased the interest of his cousin, W. S. Palmer and will hereafter conduct the business under his own name. For the past eleven years the Messrs. Palmer have been doing a successful business in the manufacturing of headstones and marble and granite work. They have done a large amount of first-class work and have placed it in all parts of Bedford county. They have generally been regarded as an upright business firm and have established themselves as such. Mr. W. S. Palmer, who retires from the business, will put in the time during the coming summer in visiting his mother, who lives in Fulton county, his brothers in Connellsville and McKeesport, and will also spend some time in Philadelphia. Scott, as the boys call him, is every inch a gentleman, a great reader, has many warm friends and will be greatly missed in the circle in which he moved. We hope he will not forget to spend an occasional visit to Everett and that he will greatly enjoy himself while he visits and that he will meet with success and prosperity when he gets into business again. The Press also wishes Mr. E. N. Palmer to keep up the reputation the old firm enjoyed and we believe he will, and that he meet with greater success than ever.

Pleasant Ridge.

Andrew Truax contemplates going to Somerset county soon.

A certain young man seems to have some attraction over the mountain as he went over Saturday and he didn't get back till Tuesday. What is it Andy?

Aaron Garland, while coming from town last week, lost one of the files he had purchased and had to go back and hunt it the next day. What was wrong Aaron?

H. D. Shives expects to go to Franklin county to work.

Michael Mellott has moved into Reuben Deshong's house.

Mrs. Florence Wink spent Sunday evening at D. P. Deshong's.

D. R. Wink spent Sabbath at J. W. Lake's.

I would say to the correspondent at Hyndman that B. A. Truax is still living yet, and is well and hearty.

W. F. Wink, wife and son Harold spent Sunday visiting Mrs. Wink's father Morgan Deshong.

James B. Mellott is moving to Daniel Mellott's.

Joseph Strait is helping B. A. Truax put up his limekiln this week.

John F. Garland, wife and family, and Mrs. Wm. Wink, spent Sunday afternoon at Mr. George Morton's.

Mrs. Florence Wink spent Saturday afternoon helping Miss Linna A. Deshong quilt.

Messrs. Kauffman and Hann are moving their shingle mill to B. F. Daniels'; as they expect to saw a large lot of shingles.

A Father's Sorrow.

I shall never forget the impression made upon me during the first year of my ministry, by a mechanic whom I visited, and on whom I urged the important duty of family prayer. One day he entered my study, bursting into tears as he said, "You remember that girl sir? She was my only child. She died suddenly this morning. She has gone, I hope to God; but if so, she can tell Him what now breaks my heart—that she never heard a prayer in her father's house, or from her father's lips! O, that she were with me but one day again!"—Selected.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Mr. S. Martin Myers of Mercersburg and Miss Mabel Kendall, Tuesday morning, April 8th, at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Kendall.

Surprise Party.

Saturday evening a very pleasant surprise party was given at the home of Mr. John Kerlin by Mr. Chas. Glunt, and Miss Mary Long in honor of Miss Bessie Kerlin. The company consisted of Misses Bessie Kerlin, Mary Long, Julia Mellott, Dora and Boyd Sherman, Ida and Reka Mumma, Alice Long, Amy Fleming and Messrs. Chas. Glunt, Ira Fore, Cal Mumma, George and Emery Glunt, William and Herbert Kerlin, Russel Rowe, Harvey and Jacob Glunt, Porter Snyder, David Glunt, and Wm. Brubaker, and all were very enjoyably entertained by games and music. The guests extend many thanks to Misses Long and Kerlin and Mr. Glunt for their kindness and ability to entertain.

A GUEST.

New Grenada.

Next—little onions. Gather up and burn the rubbish.

F. G. Mills is putting a new roof on his dwelling house.

James Keith, of Eagle Foundry, is spending a few days here, and putting a new roof on his dwelling.

Dr. R. B. Campbell, made a business trip to Philadelphia during the past week.

Our new supervisor William Alloway, is working faithfully at the roads. He finds that the heavy rains caused plenty to do.

News has reached us that Major John Wallace, of Three Springs, formerly of Wells Valley, is at present seriously ill. No hope of recovery.

Woodvale mines are flooded; No. 1 vein entirely so, and 18 inches of water in cage when resting on the fans of No. 2 vein.

Unless the pumps do better, our miners will get a rest for awhile.

Married, at the M. E. Parsonage at Three Springs, by Rev. W. J. Sheaffer, on March 19, 1902, Mr. Charles W. Thomas of Saltito, formerly of New Grenada, to Miss Lizzie Huffman of Saltito.

The bride and groom came to New Grenada Thursday, to the home of Charlie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas where a sumptuous dinner was served to them and the many who were invited. In the evening our boys gathered up the old time band instruments, and the noise they made was immense calithumpian style. On Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Black had a supper for the bride and groom, also inviting the young folks of our village, and a very pleasant time was had.

Wm. G. Rinehart moved to the upper farm of McClains near here.

Gem.

The farmers are pleased to see such fine weather.

Our merchant, G. J. Mellott, auctioned off some of his old goods last Friday and Saturday afternoon in order to make room for his spring goods.

Mrs. Nancy Peck, who has been spending some time with her son, M. L. Peck, was accompanied home last Saturday by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jennie Peck, of Pectonville, Md.

Mr. Calvin Mellott is suffering very severely from a cut in the knee.

Mr. William McEldowney of Waynesboro, son of Mr. William McEldowney of Gem had the pleasure of bringing his wife home last Saturday. The boys also had the pleasure of "belling" them Saturday evening. We wish the happy couple a long, prosperous, and happy life.

Among the guests at Mrs. Snyder's last Sunday were Miss Cora Funk and sister Mattie, Miss Bessie Morton, and Millie Lynch.

Harvey Snyder and sister Temple, called on the Misses McEldowney Sunday evening.

Mrs. Jennie Peck spent Saturday evening with her sister Mrs. W. H. Peck.

Clem Chesnut spent Monday in town.

Hustontown.

Mr. David Heefner has sold his farm near Gracey, and moved to this place where he will live a retired life. We welcome Mr. Heefner and family to our town.

Mr. John Hoover will move into the Indian Queen Hotel this week and the former proprietor, Geo. W. Taylor, will move to the Gosnell farm.

Miss Eva Laidig, started for St. Louis on Monday, where she expects to make her home.

P. J. Barton and Geo. W. Taylor were among those who attended court from this place.

Miss Lena Laidig has returned to Huntingdon where she is engaged in the millinery business.

Dr. F. R. Shoemaker was summoned to Philadelphia on account of the illness of his sister, Mrs. E. O. Hatch.

Hon. D. H. Patterson, of Webster Mills, made a business trip to this place last Friday. His many friends are pleased to learn of his being a candidate for State senator.

Rev. Melroy preached his last sermon for this conference year to a large congregation on Sunday evening.

Mr. Ross Johnson has secured a position in the Tin Plate Mill at Waynesburg, Pa. His friends wish him success.

Mr. John Early of Wells Tannery, called on his friends at this place while on his way to Burnt Cabins.

Mr. McManus, District agent for the McCormick Harvesting Mfg. Co., spent Friday and Saturday in this place.

Plum Run.

Lovely weather!

At the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Amanda Slacker, last Friday evening, by Justice Daniel Covatt, Miss Anna Slacker and Mr. Victor Lynch were married. The young people have our best wishes.

David McDonald and Jacob Gordon left Tuesday for Washington state.

Rebecca Hewett is home, now, keeping house for her mother who will start Wednesday for Baltimore to visit her elder daughter Miss Isabel.

McCauly Pittman is still sawing in Bedford county. That's right Collie, work for your self now, for you may have to work for two in the near future.

Jere Mason, and Howard Zimmerman who are starting a Rack-et store at Hancock have received some of their goods.

Miss Mary Culler of Mercersburg spent a few weeks with her cousins, Miss Rebecca Hewett and Miss Anna Carbaugh. Miss Abbie Houpt, also, spent a few days with them last week.

A. J. Shives and family will move to Franklin county.

Conrad Carbaugh left last week for Johnstown, to take care of his brother William, who is suffering with diphtheria.

Joe Mellott, Jr., spent last Sunday with friends at Plum Run.

Boys, next Sunday is Easter. I wonder who can eat the most eggs. Let's see.

Locust Grove.

Quite a number of sick people in the Cove just now lots of whooping cough. . . . J. S. Akers and B. W. Morris have erected a shingle mill at Locust Grove. . . . G. W. McKee has purchased a pair of fine driving colts. . . . Some of the Mount Airy boys say there is a ghost over that way. . . . Henry Deshong passed through the Cove enroute to Crystal Springs last Saturday. . . . Logue Plessinger has moved to the Holly farm. . . . Russel Layton was a pleasant caller at Harry Plessinger's last Sunday and Sunday night. Harry says he is getting tired cutting wood for the parlor stove. . . . Levi Smith came in contact with James Akers shingle mill last week. . . . James A. Deihl is improving our road. . . . Wm. Eagle has purchased the Barney horse from George Diehl.

GONE HOME.

People Who Have Been Called to Their Final Rest.

MRS. RACHEL KERSHNER. Mrs. George B. Evans of Thompson township, received a letter recently conveying the sad intelligence of the death of her aunt, Mrs. Rachel Kershner, at Ansonia, Darke county Ohio.

Mrs. Kershner's maiden name was Gordon, and she was born and reared in Thompson township this county, and was a sister of William, Henry, David, and Job Gordon.

She went west about 37 years ago, and is survived by 7 children, 27 grand-children, and 4 great-grand-children.

ELIAS DANIELS.

After an illness of only a few days, Mr. Elias Daniels died at his home near the Ebenezer church in Belfast township March 20, 1902, and was buried at the Siding Hill Christian church, on Saturday 22.

Mr. Daniels is survived by a widow and four children; also, by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Daniels, and by two brothers and four sisters.

He was an exemplary member of the Christian church, and the funeral services were conducted by Rev. Logue.

His age was about 35 years.

Maddensville.

We are glad to note that Mr. D. Locke has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be able to be out in the store again.

Mrs. Margaret McDonald who has been quite sick, is convalescing.

David McDonald who had been called home from Mount Union, on account of his mother's illness is still at home.

Mr. Frank Gearinger and Miss Cora Stains were married a couple of weeks ago by Rev. Dressler of Seale. They were given a reception by Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Wible; after which the calithumpians turned out enmasse, and gave them a grand serenade.

Miss Bertha Locke and several others of this place attended the wedding of Miss Della Locke one day last week.

There was a taffy party at Mr. and Mrs. Laidig's some time ago; but only the very elite of Maddensville society were invited.

Rumor says there are to be three new dwelling houses to go up in our town this spring.

Did you see the wild geese? Quite a large flock passed over this vicinity last Saturday.

Rev. Melroy, of Hustontown, was calling among some of the brethren of Wesley Chapel on last Friday. He took dinner with C. W. Evans.

Mr. Geo. Charlton was a pleasant caller in our town last Friday evening.

This has been quite a profitable winter for our professional hunters, Mr. Ervin Klein and Herbert Covert. They have trapped pole-cats innumerable, and captured a number of foxes.

Brush Creek.

Our good housewives are beginning to plan their seed beds for the annual production of garden "sass and sich." . . . P. V. Barton of this place has gone to Iowa to seek employment. . . . The genial mail carrier has also gone west. Good luck to you D. T. . . . Prof. Chas. Barton of Ship-pansburg and brother P. T. Barton of Hustontown made a short visit to their old home near this place recently. . . . Piper Barton and friend Miss Hank; spent Sunday with friends in the vicinity of Akersville. . . . Mrs. T. B. McGraw of this place has been very ill with an attack of appendicitis. She is now improving slowly. . . . Lucinda Ensley, an aged lady of near Emmaville, died rather suddenly on Thursday of last week. Funeral took place at McKendree on Saturday. Services were conducted by Rev. C. H. Campbell. . . . E. J. Clevanger of this place has gone to Pittsburg to resume work at the carpenter trade.