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No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it for another.

Yes, the judgment day is coming. But any day should be a day of judgment, by using your own judgment.

Almost every man, as he looks about him, can easily pick out a good job for the fool killer.

Against slander there is no defense. It starts with a word—with a shrug—with a nod—and very often with a smile. It is a pestilence walking in the darkness, spreading contagion far and wide, which the most wary traveler can not avoid; it is the heart-searching dagger of an assassin; it is the poisoned arrow whose wounds are incurable; the mortal sting of the deadly adder. Slander originates with no true gentleman or lady.

The readers of THE STAR will remember that several years ago examiners, appointed by the Court, spent three or four days taking testimony in the opera house at this place as to the sanity or insanity of Mrs. Abner Reed, the husband of the lady claiming that she was insane. The decision of the examiners was that she was sane. That being settled Mrs. Reed had to take steps to persuade her husband to support her. As near as we can learn Mr. Reed has two homes which he offers her the choice of, but she claims that things are made so unpleasant for her at both places that she cannot stay. The Court has appointed an examiner in the desertion case, and testimony on the Commonwealth side was taken at Lawyer C. Mitchell's office in this place last Thursday forenoon. Testimony on the other side will be heard at Big Run on the 30th inst. Mr. and Mrs. Reed lived together many years and are now well advanced in life's journey.

The first national flag was made in the upholstering shop of Mrs. Betsy Ross, 239 Arch street, Philadelphia, after a pattern adopted by Congress on June 14th, 1777. The design of the new emblem was the result of the combined suggestions of various persons, among whom were General Washington, the members of the Congressional committee, and Mrs. Ross. The part of the work of designing done by Mrs. Ross was characteristically feminine. The plan as brought to her called for six-pointed stars. This was not satisfactory to the good taste of the patriotic lady, who suggested that stars of five points would be much more artistic and tasteful. Unborn generations will arise, let us hope while the world stands, to call this woman blessed who gave us our beautiful banner with its graceful stars instead of the stiff and awkward ones which were suggested by Congress. The new flag was first floated over the Revolutionary armies at Saratoga when Burgoyne surrendered. It was first carried around the world on the ship "Columbia," by Captain John Kendrick, who sailed from Boston in 1787, and returned in 1790.—Pittsburg Advocate.

The ability to find fault is considered by some people as a sure sign of superior insight, when in the majority of cases it is only an indication of shallowness and ill-nature. One deserves as much credit for seeing the merits of a picture as its defects, for finding out the lovely traits in a character as for lying in wait for its imperfections; indeed, he who steadfastly and on principle determines to see all the good there is in a person is that person's greatest benefactor, and can do most to lift him up into what he might be. If we love our friends not only for what they are, but for what they are capable of being, our very love will assist in transforming them into the realization of the ideal for which we love them, and thus the constant outpouring of our affections toward them will act as a perpetual lever, lifting them nearer and nearer the realization of their desires. Let no one doubt the truth of this; it has been proven by practical demonstration. Let us then not be chary of complimentary and appreciative utterances, but forgetting self, and remembering those that are dearer, or who should be dearer, than self, in assuring their happiness and success we most surely secure our own.

If you want a brussels, extra velvet or ingrain carpet go to the Reynoldsville Hardware Co. store.

R. and G. glove fitting corset at J. S. Morrow's.

Everybody that buys from Millirens is satisfied.

Leave your orders at Bon Ton bakery for 4th of July supplies.

Before you buy a suit see Millirens.



The First Presbyterian Church of Reynoldsville, Pa.

HISTORY OF A CHURCH ORGANIZED THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO—FIRST ELDER STILL IN.

First Services Held in a School House—Now Worship in a Fine Brick Church.

The Presbyterian church of Reynoldsville was organized Feb. 12, 1861, by a committee appointed by Clarion Presbytery and consisting of Revs. Joseph Matzer and John Wray, with Elders John Millan and John Hutchison, of the Beechwoods Presbyterian church. The church was organized with the following nine members who brought their certificates from Beechwoods: William H. Reynolds and wife, John Larimer and wife, Robert Patton and wife, Mrs. Mary Ann Stewart, Mrs. Mary Ann Campbell and Mrs. Eliza Horn. Of these William H. Reynolds was elected and ordained the first ruling elder, which office he still retains. After the completion of the organization twelve additional members were received on examination. The new church being unable to support a pastor of its own, depended upon occasional supplies sent by Presbytery or invited by the congregation. The first of these was Rev. John Wray, of Beechwoods congregation, who was followed by Rev. Thos. S. Leason. These preached a number of times but were followed by others who preached but once or twice. The first regular pastor was Rev. David W. Cassat, who was installed March 31, 1874, and released in April, 1875. The church then remained without a pastor until June 24, 1884, when Rev. Z. B. Taylor was called. During this long vacancy there were occasional supplies, however, and among them Rev. William Smith, of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, who remained for some months during 1877 or 1878 and did most efficient work.

Mr. Taylor was released Oct., 1885, and another vacancy followed, continuing until May 11, 1887, when Rev. L. B. W. Shryock was installed pastor. This was an active and earnest pastorate, but lasted only until Dec. 29, 1887. Before Mr. Shryock's call, Rev. DeWit M. Bonham supplied the pulpit most acceptably for a few months. On June 16, 1891, after having supplied the pulpit for some time, Rev. H. G. Furbay was installed pastor, which relation continued until March 24, 1893. This was a successful and unusually brilliant pastorate, which was terminated through a call to Mr. Furbay from Tyrone, Pa. On the 17th of Sept., 1893, Rev. H. R. Johnson took charge of the church and was installed in his position Oct. 4th of that year.

The history of the eldership is slightly confused, but the following persons actually served in that capacity, six of them still holding office: William H. Reynolds, Robert Patton, Jesse L. Test, T. E. Campbell, John Robinson, Thos. Hutchison, M. H. Stiles, Gilbert Walter Palen, William J. Boner and James Kelley Johnston. The harmonious spirit of the eldership is most remarkable and has much to do with the success of the church.

The first services in connection with this church were held in a school house in Cold Spring Hollow. The building still stands, but is now used as a dwelling. At that time all the Protestant denominations united in conducting a Sunday school, and worshiped with each other. In course of time the Baptist church, of Prescottville, was erected and drew away a portion of the school. The Presbyterians and Methodists, though, continued their work at the old place. After this had contin-

ued some time, the Presbyterians desiring a commodious place for worship sought the use of the new Baptist church at Prescottville, which was granted. This was their place of worship until 1872 when they erected a building of their own. This, however, was weakened during construction by a storm, and after it had been occupied for some time began to spread in a threatening manner. Finally the building was pronounced dangerous and the congregation deserted it, using several of the halls about town for their meeting places. This proving unsatisfactory, the old church was repaired by bolting it together, and worship was resumed there. In 1878 this building was torn down, and in 1879 the present brick structure on the corner of Main and Ross streets, of which the above is a picture, was erected. In 1891 the congregation felt that it would be greatly to its advantage to own a parsonage, and accordingly purchased a neat residence on Grant street.

Although this church has had some very severe struggles and discouragements yet it has come grandly through them all. It has at the present time a membership of considerably over three hundred, and is the mother of a church in Rathmel numbering another hundred. A full history of a church should give an account of its various organizations and the faithful and successful people who work in them, but we can not attempt that here further than to say that the church is well organized, and that each department is conducted by zealous people, many of whom will long be remembered for their earnest and valuable service.

REV. JOHNSON WILL PREACH HIS FAREWELL SERMON SUNDAY. Has Accepted the Presidency of a College at Blairsville, Pa.

Next Sunday Rev. Johnson, who has been pastor of the Reynoldsville Presbyterian church almost three years, will preach his farewell sermon to the congregation with whom he has labored zealously, faithfully and successfully, and will go to Blairsville, Pa., the following week to take up his work as President of the already well established College at that place. Rev. Johnson and wife have made many warm friends in Reynoldsville who are sorry to see them leave the place, yet are ready to congratulate them and wish them God speed in their new and larger field of labor. Below we give a short sketch of the Reverend's life:



Rev. Hubert Rex Johnson is the son of Dr. Rezin Beall Johnson, formerly of Steubenville, Ohio. He is the oldest of nine children, most of whom seem to have a strange and strong predilection for teaching, inherited, possibly, from

their father, who was one of ten children all of whom had been teachers but afterwards entered other professions. Both paternally and maternally Rev. Johnson can number a very fair list of ancestral connections who have won permanent reputations in war, letters and science. But of this he refuses to boast, using the fact, as he says, solely for the purpose of stimulating himself to a more careful and correct life.

Rev. Johnson's father taught the very harsh and unusual doctrine that a boy who would not get an education without help, did not deserve one. This threw a heavy burden on his son who resolved never to ask assistance, and set about earning his own money in whatever way he could get it. At the age of seventeen he began teaching, pursuing his studies at the same time, and a little later gave private instructions in Latin. When over taxed by study he would spend a few weeks on a farm or doing carpenter work, never permitting himself to be idle, even though he had to dig in the ditch to secure an income. Circumstances brought him in connection with three colleges, from each of which he gathered a part of his education, his final training, of course, being received in a theological seminary. His original intention was to be a civil engineer, and to that end he bent his energies for a long time, desiring to take the most complete course that could be provided; but after closing his college work, and while taking his accustomed recreation on a farm, he was invited by a Methodist pastor in the neighboring town to make an address on some moral questions, that were then agitating the community. This set on fire an old passion for the rescue of people from their sins, which soon resulted in a resolution to study for the ministry, and two or three weeks later found him in a theological seminary. Thinking that his natural tastes which were strongly scientific, would hinder him from filling a pulpit successfully, he determined to go as a missionary to Alaska, and was assigned by Dr. Sheldon Jackson to Juneau.

On account of this arrangement Mr. Johnson did not preach much as a student, not wishing to take the time and money of churches that were hearing candidates or to stand in the way of other students who might wish to be heard by churches. This left him comparatively unknown to the churches, and deprived him of valuable experience; and when the Board could not send him to Alaska, threw him under the necessity of taking a weak field or going through the disagreeable ordeal of candidating. He preferred the former and became the pastor of a little handful of people at Natrona, Pa. These people learned that he could not be sent to Alaska and sent a committee requesting him to come to them. Then followed a series of temptations that are known better to ministers than any body else. Mr. Johnson was receiving a handsome income from wealthy residents of Pittsburgh and Allegheny to whose sons he was giving private instructions, and the way was easily open for him to clear several thousands of dollars a year, with a possible free trip to Europe. It was not an easy matter to drop so good a thing and take a poor, weak church that would furnish him with but scant living. It was done, however, and then other temptations followed. Before the call from Natrona was in his hands, he learned of a call that was just made out for him in a much better church. And, at the same time, a request came from another church that he would permit them to proceed with a call that they were willing to make. The promise to Natrona, though, was kept, and reward for it came in the growth of a large and delightful congregation. From Natrona Rev. Johnson came to Reynoldsville, and from which place he will go to Blairsville, Pa., where he will take charge of the College located there. This work will give him some advantages not now enjoyed, and, although, he will not have charge of a church, will in a very important sense be a religious instructor, and will preach in many churches instead of one.

Buy the Duke bicycle at Stoke's for \$37.50. It is a dandy. Gents, the latest things in belts at Bell's. Call and see them. Big reduction on boys' clothing, from 5 to 14 years, at People's Bargain store. A dress straw hat given away with every suit. Get your boy a new suit for 4th of July.

Do you want a pretty carpet? Then go to the Reynoldsville Hardware Co. store. We have added a full new line of shoes. Come and give us a call. J. S. Morrow. Silver spoons at the very lowest price that good goods can be bought for at C. F. Hoffman's. Why bake pies, cakes, &c., for 4th of July when you can get them at the Bon Ton Bakery. Leave your orders early. House and 7 lots in West Reynoldsville for sale. Inquire at STAR office. The Reynoldsville Hardware Co. store has received new spring samples of brussels, extra velvet and ingrain carpets. If you want a new carpet see the samples and get prices at this store. J. C. King & Co. sell the McCormick harvesting machinery.

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A Short Cut to Health. To try to cure constipation by taking pills is like going round in a circle. You will never reach the point sought, but only get back to the starting point. A perfect natural laxative is Bacon's Celery King, the celebrated remedy for all nerve, blood, stomach, liver and kidney diseases. It regulates the bowels. Reynolds Drug Store will give you a sample package free. Large sizes 25 cents and 50 cents. Don't forget that if there is anything you want in silverware that I have not got I will order it for you at 10 per cent and this will save you 20 per cent. C. F. HOFFMAN. Brussels and Ingrain carpets of all styles, at low prices, at the Reynoldsville Hardware Co. store. Men's suits \$1.75 at Millirens. H. Alex. Stoke is selling The Duke, an 1896, high grade, \$60.00 bicycle for \$37.50. Think of it! Forty-two inch table oil cloth at 11 cts. at People's Bargain store. For Sale—A second hand square piano, latest style. Inquire of G. A. Fry, Hotel Belnap, Reynoldsville, Pa. Band Tournament. The Beech Creek Railroad will have on sale June 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th, good to return until June 26th, excursion tickets from all points on its line to Clearfield, account of the Band tournament to be held at that place, June 24th and 25th. Now is your opportunity to get an up-to-date \$60.00 bicycle for \$37.50 at H. Alex. Stoke's. See the wheel to be convinced that you are offered a big bargain. Buy your ladies' and gents' furnishing goods for 4th of July at People's Bargain store. Gents, remember that Bell handles the only correct styles to be found in the county. The cheapest and best shoes for the money in town at J. S. Morrow's. Sweaters, at Millirens, only 20c. Notice. All persons having had dealings with us are requested to call and see if their accounts are properly closed up as all open accounts will be left for collection. J. C. KING & CO. Call and Settle. All persons knowing themselves indebted to Walter Spry, deceased, are requested to call and settle at once, and those having accounts against him will please present them. MRS. WALTER SPRY. We will save you money and sell you shoes that wear and fit your feet. Give us a call. J. S. Morrow. At King & Co.'s you will find baled hay, salt, flour and a full line of general merchandise. More people, adults and children, are troubled with costiveness than with any other ailment. Dr. Henry Baxter's Mandrake Bitters will cure costiveness and prevent the diseases which result from it. For sale by H. A. Stoke. Every bottle of Arnica and Oil Liniment sold is warranted by the proprietors to give satisfaction or money will be refunded. For sale by H. A. Stoke. Survival of the fittest. Down's Elixir has outlived every other cough remedy simply because it is the best. For sale by H. A. Stoke. If you want a handsome piece of silver stop at C. F. Hoffman's. The prices are the lowest in Reynoldsville. Best line of carpets to select from in town are to be found at the Reynoldsville Hardware Co. store. See and be convinced. The Bon Ton Bakery will fill all orders in the bakery line for 4th of July. Drifting with the Wind. BRADEN-FOX—At the parsonage of the M. E. church in Brookville, June 17th, 1896, by Rev. Dr. Warren, Mr. E. J. Braden, of Clarion, and Miss Annie C. Fox, of Jefferson Co. Big reduction in men's summer shirts, former prices 40, 45 and 55 cts., now 35 cents at People's Bargain store. Gentlemen, the finest line of shirts ever shown at Bell's from 50 ct. to \$3. Latest style straw hats at Millirens.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF SCHOOLS OF WINDSLOW TOWNSHIP. RECEIPTS. State appropriation for the year ending June 30th, 1896, \$3,324 67. From collector, including taxes of all kinds, 2,509 61. From Co. Treasurer on account of school lands, 259 34. Total receipts, \$6,179 62. EXPENSES. Building and furnishing houses \$ 556 44. Repairing, 83 67. Teachers' wages, including 80 00. Institute, 5,177 50. School text books, 828 78. School supplies, 255 49. Fuel, 141 59. Fees of Collector and Treasurer, 206 94. Salary of Secretary, 50 00. Debt and interest paid, 496 71. Other expenses, 254 61. Total liabilities, \$8,502 83. Due district from Collector, 1,444 80. Balance, 928 42. O. H. BROADHEAD, Pres. J. B. SYKES, Sec. SCHOOL BOARD IN ACCT WITH TREASURER. DE. From State appropriation, \$3,324 67. From County, 259 34. From Collector, 2,509 61. Total, \$6,179 62. CR. Am't of voucher paid, \$5,987 27. Percentage on am't paid, 119 74. Auditors' fees, 6 90. Total, 6,113 91. Balance in Treasurer's hands, \$66 51. W. J. HILLIS, T. J. BROADHEAD, S. P. McCLARY, Auditors.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS. Pursuant to an Act of Assembly, I will attend at the following times and places to receive County, State, Bond and Log Taxes for the year 1896, to-wit: Worthville Borough, Wednesday, June 24, in the forenoon, at the house of E. H. Geist. Beaver Township, Wednesday, June 24, in the afternoon, at store in Oil. Summerville Borough, Thursday, June 25, in the forenoon, at Hotel. Clover Township, Thursday, June 25, in the afternoon, at store in Baxter. Brookville Borough and Rose Township, Friday, June 26, at the Treasurer's office. Knox Township, Saturday, June 27, in the forenoon, at the McCracken store. Pinecroft Township, Saturday, June 27, in the afternoon, at the store of E. Welsch. Oliver Township, Tuesday, June 30, in the forenoon, at the store in Oliveburg. Oliver Township, Tuesday, June 30, in the afternoon, at Hotel in Cool Spring. Parties paying their taxes at the above times and places will save ten per cent, as that amount will be added when placed in the hands of the collector. Moneys not collected will be collected at all places visited, and all licenses remaining unpaid after the first of July will be placed in the hands of the proper officers for collection. JOHN WATERS, COUNTY TREASURER, Brookville, Pa., May 6, 1896.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Letters of administration on the estate of Mrs. Mary Trumbauer, late of Reynoldsville Borough, Jefferson county, Pa., deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons knowing themselves to be indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same will present them duly proved for settlement. E. CRESSMAN, Administrator, Hildway, Elk Co., Pa.

ESTRAY NOTICE. Came trespassing on the premises of the undersigned in McAlmont township, the 4th of June, 1896, one large brindle cow, with bell on, and one small red cow. The owner, or owners, are requested to come forward, prove property, and take the cows away or they will be disposed of according to law. J. S. MORRIS, Paic, Pa.

I have bought the Finest and Best line of Goods ever brought to Reynoldsville. A line of novelty goods from 10 to 50 cents a yard; dress goods in all colors and at all prices; plaids from 8 to 75 cts a yard; Shepherd plaid from 12 1/2 to 75 cts; cashmeres in all colors and at prices to suit the times; forty-five inch Henrietta in black, blue, green and rose at 48 cts a yard; former price \$1.00. A large line in wash goods; Dimity, Percale, Gesmonda and Moire Esistal, Dotted Swiss in white, blue and pink at prices lower than ever; white goods at all prices; satines in plain, striped and figures. Large line of embroideries from 2 cts up to 75 cts a yard. Ladies' waists from 48 cts to \$1.25. CLOTHING. You will save money by buying your clothing at Hanau's. Men's all wool cheviot suits at 6.50, worth 10.00; men's all wool cheviot suits at 5.00; men's clay suits from 6.50 to \$14; youth's suits in cheviots, worsteds and clay, all colors, at all prices. Boys' and children's suits from 75c up to 5.00. A large line of laundered shirts, white and colored, from 50c to 1.25. A fine line in neckwear, hats and caps. Please call in before buying elsewhere. No trouble to show goods. N. Hanau.

First National Bank OF REYNOLDSVILLE. CAPITAL \$50,000.00. C. Mitchell, President; Scott McClelland, Vice Pres.; John H. Kaucher, Cashier. Directors: C. Mitchell, Scott McClelland, J. C. King, John H. Corbett, G. E. Brown, G. W. Fuller, J. H. Kaucher. Does a general banking business and solicits the accounts of merchants, professional men, farmers, mechanics, miners, lumbermen and others, promising the most careful attention to the business of all persons. Safe Deposit Boxes for rent. First National Bank building, Nolan block. Fire Proof Vault.