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## A CHURCH AND PATRIARCH CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARIES

First Baptist Church Was the Earliest Religious Organization in Reynoldsville.

FOUNDED AT PRESCOTTVILLE

Many Pioneer Members Attended Semi-Centennial Exercises in the Local Church Three Days Last Week.

The celebration of the semi-centennial of the organization of the First Baptist church of Reynoldsville and the 95th anniversary of the birthday of Jacob King, which was held in the Baptist church on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 25, 26 and 27, passed off very nicely and was a very enjoyable event.

Friday evening Rev. H. F. King, D. D., of Indiana, Pa., a nephew of Jacob King, preached an able and interesting sermon on "The Baptist Achievements." He outlined and developed the growth of the Baptist organization. Spoke of the ten Baptist theological seminaries, ninety-six universities and colleges, one hundred or more schools, over \$25,000,000 in church property and over \$27,000,000 in endowments in the United States.

Saturday afternoon an informal meeting was held at three o'clock. Rev. J. Booth, of Curwensville, gave an address in which he conveyed greetings from the Clearfield Baptist Association. Rev. A. D. McKay, pastor Reynoldsville Presbyterian church, also gave an address and others gave short talks. At 5.00 p. m. the ladies served a luncheon in the church.

At 9.45 a. m. Sunday there was a Sunday school rally. Addresses were given by Supt. Geo. H. Rea, M. C. Coleman and Rev. J. Booth.

At 11.09 a. m. Rev. C. H. Prescott, of Cleveland, Ohio, was to have given an historical sketch of the organization, development and growth of the church, but he was unable to be present, but he sent a paper, which was read by George H. Rea. The paper related the religious condition of the community and the movement which led up to the organization of the Baptist church at Prescottville fifty years ago.

A paper, written by Rev. H. F. King, D. D., giving a historical sketch of Jacob King and his ancestors, was read by Dr. A. J. Meek, pastor of the Reynoldsville church.

Jacob King, whose 95th birthday anniversary was included in the three-day celebration, arose and gave a distinct and well-wordsed talk for fifteen minutes on his early life and the religious influences by which he was surrounded.

At 6.30 p. m. Sunday the Junior and Senior Young Peoples Unions held a union meeting. Short talks were given by a number of persons.

At 7.30 there was public service. Interesting reminiscences were given by Rev. J. Booth and Lawyer M. M. Davis, followed by a sermon from Dr. A. J. Meek, on the subject of "What Baptists Stand For."

The semi-centennial of the church and birthday anniversary of Father King closed with a solo by Miss Myrtle Shober, "Abide With Me," and benediction by Rev. Booth.

The Baptist choir furnished excellent music for all the service.

The past eight years of the First Baptist church of Reynoldsville, under the pastorate of Dr. A. J. Meek, have been among the most successful years in the history of the church. Dr. Meek is not only an able, faithful and zealous minister, but he is also a genial christian gentleman and always has a kind and pleasant word for everybody. His friends are not confined to the members of his church and congregation only, he has friends among all classes of our people, whether saint or sinner.

**Pointed Paragraphs.**

There isn't much meat on the bone of contention.

A successful man isn't necessarily a contented man.

It costs more to get out of trouble than it does to keep out.

The dread of ridicule is apt to strangle originality at its birth.

But there are times when fiction is almost as strange as the truth.

We feel sorry for some people because of the ancestors they inherited.—Chicago News.

The Venerable Jacob King



The central figure in the Anniversary Exercises held in the First Baptist Church on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Jacob King Passes the Ninety-Fifth Milestone in Life's Journey.

STILL HAILE AND VIGOROUS

A Life of Unceasing Activity And Uprightness Rewarded By Peace, Rest and Honor In Old Age.

Jacob King, our oldest citizen, whose 95th birthday anniversary was celebrated jointly with the semi-centennial of the Reynoldsville Baptist church the past week, was born in Potter township, Center Co., Pa., September 30, 1813. When less than one year old his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William King, moved to Clarion Co., to their newly bought home in the woods, in what was then called the west. During the infancy and early years of Jacob King the family endured the labors and hardships incident to all pioneers of that day. The labor connected with clearing away the forest and putting the ground under cultivation was a severe tax upon even the most courageous. The nearest neighbors the King family had were three miles distant.

When Jacob King was a lad they had no schools and as he grew up his school opportunity was limited. As soon as his hands were strong enough to work in the field or clearing he helped his father with the work. That habit of doing his part was a habit with him all his life, and continues with him yet. When 19 years old he learned the milling trade with his brother-in-law, John L. Smith, at Greenville, Clarion Co., serving two years as an apprentice and then was a partner with Mr. Smith five years. After seven years in the mill he returned to farm life and continued farming for 52 years. March 5, 1840, he was married to Miss Sara Ann Corbett, daughter of Edward C. and Sarah E. Corbett, of Clarion county. Mrs. King, who died in Reynoldsville May 3, 1904, was a sincere, industrious, God-fearing woman. In April, 1891, when 78 years old, Mr. King and wife gave up farming and moved to Reynoldsville and he has since made his home near and among his children.

Mr. King reared to mature years a family of five children, two sons and three daughters, Dr. James Calvin King, William Miles King, Mrs. Sarah Ann King Clover, Hannah Jane King Hetrick and Mrs. Mary Rebecca King Coleman. The oldest and youngest, Dr. J. C. King and Mrs. M. C. Coleman, of this place, are still living. The children all possessed many of the excellent traits of their parents.

Jacob King was known by all his acquaintances as a man of great industry. There was never a lazy bone in his wiry, nervous body. He attended to his own affairs, let his neighbors alone, never quarrelled with them, paid his obligations promptly, making none that he could not meet, always finding hearty co-operations in this in his esteemed and plous wife. He would go five miles to the polls on election days and cast his ballot and that was the extent to which he went into politics. During all his life he constantly had the respect of his relatives and neighbors.

In November, 1837, Jacob King and Sara Ann Corbett, whom he afterwards married, were baptised in the Zion Baptist church. In 1848 they, with others, withdrew from the Zion church and became constituent members of the Greenville Baptist church in Clarion county, and were members of that church forty-three years, or until they united with the Baptist church in Reynoldsville in 1891. It is now seventy-one years since Jacob King made a profession of religion.

Although 95 years old Mr. King walks five squares to church every Sunday and gets up the steps into the church as spry as many of the other members of the congregation not yet more than a half century old.

The indications now are that Mr. King will live to celebrate his centennial birthday anniversary.

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The Rev. A. J. Meek, Ph. D.

### LARGE LIMESTONE DEPOSITS FOUND

Agitation For Clay Development is Causing Investigation with Good Results.

Since the Business Men's Association commenced to agitate the matter of developing the many clay, shale and limestone beds known to exist in various sections of Winslow township, considerable attention has been paid to the subject by land owners in the vicinity and the agitation is bearing fruit in ways quite unforeseen by the Association officials.

Recently George H. Rea, carrier on R. F. D. No. 3, discovered that part of his farm, east of the Kline school house, is underlaid with a vein of limestone ranging from six to eight feet in thickness. Its purity and commercial value will be tested by an expert chemist and if the analysis is satisfactory in character, Mr. Rea will open up the deposit and start the manufacture of lime and allied products, in demand by farmers everywhere as a fertilizer. If the bed is as large as initial investigation seems to promise, there is an excellent opportunity for the establishment of an important and profitable industry.

That there are veins of limestone in the Beechwoods district has long been known, some of the farmers burning their own lime for farm use. So far it has not been found in beds sufficiently large to warrant extensive operations, and the fact that some of the veins are impure has also been a detrimental factor. Careful examination, however, may show new and unsuspected deposits, the development of which would add greatly to the wealth and value of the district. In view of this it would be to the advantage of all land owners to test thoroughly their property and if found to contain deposits of commercially valuable minerals or clays, report the same to officials of the local Association, through whose efforts capital may be enlisted for its development.

J. C. Williams, of Ridgway, a former Reynoldsville man who is now an economic geologist of national reputation, discussing the matter of clay development with the secretary of the Association last week alluded to several phases of the matter not clearly understood by persons outside the clay business. Mr. Williams is well acquainted with the geological formation here, his belief that clays of high commercial value exist locally is well known, and his remarks are of peculiar interest:

"Exactly what you have here," he said, "can be ascertained only after exhaustive investigation, tests and analysis by a skilled geologist. You may have some clays here not worth anything in themselves, separately, but by admixture with other clays known to those skilled in the profession, would become worth from seven to ten dollars per ton. Again, it is not absolutely necessary to establish clay manufactories here in order to benefit financially by the presence of such deposits. If clays of real value are found they can be sold by the ton at a profitable margin to potteries and ceramic plants located in other sections of the country. As an instance, many of the East Liverpool (Ohio) potteries get their clays

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### PRESIDENT LEWIS VISITS COUNTY

Addressed Great Throng In Jefferson Park Last Sunday Afternoon.

Jefferson Park, near Punxsutawney, was filled to overflowing Sunday afternoon by miners and others eager to see and hear Thomas L. Lewis, national president of the United Mine Workers of America, in his first appearance in this district since his elevation to supreme power. That a man could be born in abject poverty as he was, be deprived of even a fair common school education until near manhood, and despite all rise gradually to a position of such power that five million men, the very bone and sinew of the nation, look up to him and obey his commands with a loyalty second only to their allegiance to their country, is marvelous and worthy the attention of the world. The following abstract from a sketch of Lewis recently appearing in *Human Life*, is interesting from the light it throws on the possibilities of life when youth is earnest and energetic:

"Thomas L. Lewis went to work when seven years old at Wanamie colliery, in Luzerne county, Pennsylvania. For two years he was a mule-driver, track-layer and pick miner in the Clearfield district, in Western Pennsylvania. In succession he was employed in the Hocking Valley district, in Ohio, in Cannelburg, Ind., and finally in eastern Ohio.

While Lewis' young companions were at play he was in constant attendance upon night schools. He hoarded his earnings carefully and when he had saved \$105 he obtained seven months' instruction in the National University, at Labanon, Ohio. Thus meagerly equipped he began reading law and to-day he is well posted on legal decisions and the matters most closely related to labor.

"His official connection with the miners' union dates from 1895, when he was elected president of the eastern Ohio sub-district. The following year he became secretary of the Ohio miners, in 1899 he was a candidate for national president, but did not permit his name to go before the convention. In 1900 he was elected national vice-president, which office he held until he was chosen to succeed John Mitchell.

"As a man who has spent much of his life in little camps where comforts are few, and miseries plentiful, Lewis is not at all apt to prove a radical leader, as some capitalists and a few lesser officials among the miners would wish the public to believe.

"Lewis lives with his wife and their two little girls in Bridgeport, Ohio. He and his wife are earnest, unpretentious and serious; he is a very keen student of labor and industrial affairs, and she is a careful American mother who sets a very high value upon the opinions which her neighbors hold as to her successful home management."

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## E. T. McGAW'S FIGHT FOR THE PEOPLE

About \$1,700 Saved to County Taxpayers Through His Demand for an Inspection of Work on Punxs'y Bridge.

VIEWERS' REPORT RETURNED

One of the most notable fights ever made in Jefferson county to protect the taxpayers from mismanagement or mistake will be brought to a close at the coming session of the county court with a victory for the county commissioners which saves to the citizens of the county approximately \$1,700.00. The story of the mistaken calculation, of its detection and final adjustment through the determined stand of one of the three commissioners is of absorbing interest to every taxpayer in the county.

About July 1st, 1908, the county commissioners let the contract for abutments for a bridge to span Mahoning creek at South Penn street in Punxsutawney to Frank Clowser. The contractor gave bond in the sum of \$3,350, the estimated cost of the bridge abutments, to complete the plans according to the specifications, agreeing not to make any changes unless authorized to do so in writing by at least two of the commissioners. The work progressed, but during the construction, Commissioner E. T. McGaw, who was following the work, informed the other commissioners of his doubts about the contractor having built the abutments according to specifications. When Contractor Clowser's bill came in, it was for 8254 cubic yards, whereas his first estimate had been but 450 cubic yards. Commissioner McGaw immediately disputed the correctness of the measurements and prevailed on the board to employ Civil Engineer VanRensselaer, of Punxsutawney, to make new measurements. The work was done and VanRensselaer found but 577 cubic yards, making a difference of almost \$1,835.00 in the cost. Stormy sessions between the contractor, commissioners and engineers ensued. Clowser was obdurate, alleging the work had been done under blue prints furnished by the county's surveyor and contained 825 cubic yards. VanRensselaer, they claimed, had only gone down to the cement bottoms and therefore failed to measure that part of the footing course, which amounted to nearly 248 cubic yards. As the abutments had been constructed on rock bottom it was not quite clear why it was necessary to excavate 248 cubic yards of rock and fill it with cement.

When the viewers appointed by the court, Messrs. A. B. Howard, of Ringgold, Fred H. Lane, of Lanes Mills, and Jerry Allen, of Allens Mills, appeared with the commissioners to inspect the abutments, they hired a crew of men to dig down beside the abutments, making five excavations around the north side and four on the south side. They struck rock bottom at a depth of 3.5 feet on the south side and 5.8 feet on the north side, instead of 8 feet, as given by the county's surveyor, and of cement filling found no trace. By the inspectors' estimate, therefore the abutments contain only 505.29 cubic yards instead of the 825 claimed by the contractor. The viewers will so file their statement, and while the contractor still insists upon the correctness of his original bill, there can be no doubt of the court's final action.

But for the determined stand of Commissioner McGaw, the bill would probably have been paid in full without an investigation. Through his vigorous insistence the taxpayers of the county have been saved \$1,711.20.

**To Lay Street Car Tracks.**

At a meeting of the Brookville Street Railway Company, held on Saturday of last week, it was decided to begin work on the laying of the track at once, and rails are now on hand to begin the work. While not ready at this time to complete the project the company is hopeful that conditions will soon justify the placing of a street car line in the town. One thing is certain, with street car service to the south side of town, the demand for a railroad in the central part of town would be less insistent, and the car line would give the town ready access to the railroads which we already have. The first rails will probably be put down in South Brookville.—Brookville Republican.