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A RIFE SHEAF GARNERED.

John Corby was born at Plymouth, Luzerne Co., Pa., Aug. 31, 1819. His father was Asa Corby, his mother Sarah Van Druth. He lived at Plymouth until 20 years of age when he married Lydia Hunter and moved to Bowman's Creek on a farm. From there to the Lehigh River, and in 1866 came to Bennett's Branch going into a camp on Cherry Run, and afterwards moving onto the Thompson farm at Mill Run. After a few years he moved upon a farm in Hickory and 13 years thereafter came to Penfield, where he and his boys worked principally in the tannery.

The first wife died in 1851.

To this union six children were born, Asa, John, Eliza who became Mrs. Hiram Fisher, Lorancia Jane wife of Asa Wolf, and Lydia, who became Mrs. P. C. Curry. Of these Mrs. Curry and Mrs. Wolf only survive.

On April 16, 1853 John Corby and Julia A. Dunlap were married at White Haven, Pa., by Justice Josiah A. Cole, of this union were born Elmira, Elizabeth, wife of Jas. Brundage, Charles, now living at Glen Hazel, Celeste, wife of A. A. Stone, Estella, John H. Isaac, Hiram and Julia. Of these Elmira, Celeste, John and Hiram have passed away.

During his long life nearly spanning four score, Father Corby had his full por-

He wished to come home and preparations were made. But when he was helped into the carriage for the train, he collapsed, and was taken back to the bed where he quietly and painlessly passed away on Friday morning, Jan. 14, 1898. During his rational period at the County Home, he talked salvation to the inmates causing a profound impression, and thus ending his life as he would have chosen to do.

The funeral was in the Methodist Church at Penfield on Sabbath at 2.30 p. m., Rev's. J. Guldin and L. A. Sager, and W. L. Joyce, Director in charge. The congregation was large. Rev. Guldin's sermon was most happy in theme and treatment. With hearts sad yet glad, those who had met and rejoiced with the aged man in the sanctuary means of grace looked with others upon the still face where Death had set his seal of peace, and spoke the soul's farewell until the meeting yonder. Then the sorrowing family took leave, the casket closed, and the clay tenement was borne to the Southside Cemetery to repose till the resurrection morn.

Thus sheaf by sheaf the Master reaps

As pass the fleeting years.

Nor spares not, though from eye that weeps

Flows sorrow's flood of tears.

And now to yonder Harvest Home

He bears this ripened sheaf

To rest beneath the golden dome;

But we have little grief:

We cannot sorrow since we know

This ripened life of trust

That bore such fruitage here below,

Though clay does turn to dust.

The years will pass, and soon ah! soon

Beyond Death's gloomy flood

We'll greet him in the eternal noon

And dwell in Heaven half the night.

"His memory long will live alone

In all our hearts as mournful light

That broods above the fallen sun

And dwells in Heaven half the night."

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But the prominent and peculiar feature of his life, especially in later years, was his religious character. When younger he had been wonderfully converted at midnight in his home, after weeks of seeking. But he grew careless and sinful. Eleven years ago, during the great Pentecost in the Penfield Methodist Church under Rev. L. M. Brady, Father Corby was restored by a powerful experience followed by a demonstration on his part that will be forever remembered by those who saw it. Thereafter, there was neither falling nor faltering, and it was the unanimous testimony of all that if there were but one Christian in Penfield Father Corby was the one. To him, the four walls that enclosed the Sabbath School room of the Methodist Church held a sacred and hallowed spot of Earth. And when scarcely able to totter over the distance between the church and his home, he came and gave with power his testimony to the truth. And no other believer was seemingly so earnest and happy in the faith as he.

The awful strain upon mind, soul, and body caused by serious disease, by the lingering and hopeless illness of the son John upon whom he leaned, by perplexing business affairs all upon his advanced age, at last dethroned Father Corby's reason and last September he became insane. At first he was intensely religious, but afterwards became ungovernable, and it was thought best to remove him to the County Home at Clearfield. Thither he was taken, and a few weeks ago, reason returned, but serious dropsical illness came on. Last week his wife was summoned, and went over accompanied by others of the family. The father recognized all and was overjoyed to see them

And dwells in Heaven half the night.

B. R. & P. TIME TABLE.

On and after Nov. 16th, 1896, passenger trains will arrive at and depart from DuBois as follows:

TRAINS ARRIVE.

6 50 a m	Punxsutawney
7 30 "	Falls Creek
9 40 "	Clearfield and Curwensville
9 55 "	Punxsutawney and Big Run
10 33 "	Bradford and Ridgway
12 50 p m	Clearfield and Curwensville
1 05 "	Punxsutawney and Big Run.
1 45 "	Falls Creek
4 32 "	Rochester and Buffalo
4 50 "	Punxsutawney and Big Run
7 18 "	Clearfield and Curwensville

TRAINS DEPART.

7 30 a m	Clearfield and Curwensville
9 55 "	Bradford Buffalo, and Rochester
10 33 "	Punxsutawney and Big Run
1 10 p m	Ridgway and Bradford
1 45 "	Clearfield and Curwensville
2 15 "	Ridgway and Bradford
4 37 "	Punxsutawney and Big Run
5 05 "	Clearfield and Curwensville.
7 25 "	Falls Creek.

Passengers are requested to purchase tickets before entering the cars. An excess charge of ten cents will be collected by conductors when fares are paid on trains, from all stations where a ticket office is maintained.

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