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#### VAKEFIELD.

in Westmoreland county, Pa., August son-in-law, Martin Bossert, Pittsburg f Christian parents, and had afforded n education and culture. Amid these While attending a camp. anhood. verted August 22, 1842, and two days e Church by the Rev. John J. Swayze. Rev. John S. Wakefield May 29, 1845 From that time until he was taken of a little over fifty-six years, they rd, in the paths of the itinerant minian in all church-work and life, doing cially a home-maker. She made a en delighted, and where friends were it of her character was cheerfulness. word for all and always. And with self-respect which were natural and the modest but trustful and grateful h and trust she wrote a few years ty-eight years old. My journey is one, for the Lord has been with me, n me. My greatest regret is that I n this childlike faith she continued triumph. Eight children came to C. W. SMITH.

### PETTY.

A. L. Petty, of the Pittsburg Con-Fairview, O., and died at Duncan she married Doctor Petty, who with to mourn her loss. She descended family which became distinguished professional life. She began her attended the seminaries at Morris-O. Her Christian life began in hurch, and for half a century re-With a well-equipped mind and of usefulness which opened to her With her characteristic energy e became a great force in Christian which with her husband she was and strong social qualities greatly endeared her to the hearts of the activities touched every interest.

Her wise and careful management, and her devotion to her husband and children, made her presence indispensable and endearing. "Her children is up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her." "She looked well to the ways of her household." "She stretched out her hands to the needy." Ten years ago she returned with her husband and children to their beautiful country home at Duncan Falls, to spend her remaining days. Here she was a constant attendant, when possible, and actively identified with every important interest of the Church. In the few weeks of affliction which preceded her death, she bore her sufferings with great cheeffulness and patience. The noble qualities that were exemplified in active life, were not dimmed by affliction, and her redeemed spirit passed in the quiet of a clear light and unclouded sky. Her funeral services were conducted by the writer, assisted by the Rev. A. M. Courtenay, of Zanesville, and her remains were laid to rest in the family burial-lot in the cemetery at Duncan Falls.

#### MRS. M. R. HACKMAN.

Carrie F. Hackman was born in St. Cloud, Minn., November 28, 1857, and died in Armagh, Pa., March 15, 1906. She is survived by her husband, one son and two daughters.

Mrs. Hackman's maiden name was Clark. When she was nine years old she moved with her parents from St. Cloud to Minneapolis, at which city she had the advantages of a high school and university training. She was a graduate also from Bethany Missionary Training School, New York, in which city and Minneapolis she did home missionary work for several years. She was well qualified to be a preacher's wife and on September 17, 1889, she was married to Rev. M. R. Hackman by her pastor, Rev. Dr. Van

Anda of the First Church, Minneapolis.

She was converted and united with the Church at the age of fifteen years. She was a devoted Christian. She always had a great desire for the house of the Lord, and she could say, "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." Also, "One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in His temple." She enjoyed all the means of grace, whether class and prayer meetings, Sabbath-school or the public worship of God. She took an active part in the work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union when opportunity afforded. On account of the thorough training in High School, University and Missionary Training School, she was well furnished unto all good works.

Her disposition was gentle and kind. She had an implicit trust in the Lord. During her illness for more than two years she was reconciled to the will of the Lord whatever might be the final result. She could truly say, "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." By her death the Church and other Christian societies lose an earnest and efficient worker, the husband an "helpmeet" indeed, and the children a devoted and loving mother; but their loss and ours is her eternal gain. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

J. M. Cogley.

#### MRS. ANNA B. CASTLE.

On January 26, 1906, Mrs. Anna B. Castle passed to her heavenly home. Mrs. Castle was the youngest and last remaining member of a good Scotch-Irish family, and came with them from across the sea to New Philadelphia, Ohio, where they founded a home when she was but a very little child.