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maker of distinction. Cleanliness and family duties. She was artistically careful in her tasks. In the Church she was more particularly did she give herself to the work whatever she planned she executed with always eager to set an additional plate for visitor. Her skill in hospitality sent her having been well entertained.

Mrs. Mills in her quiet way was studious. Books and papers were found in her hands daily, usually in the later hours of the evening. And always she was pursuing some research of her own in connection, chiefly, with some new method or additional fact concerning Church work. A bit of sewing always was near by to be taken up to fill an idle moment. A few plants in winter and summer felt the touch of her busy hands. And little children often learned the gospel of kindness from her.

If there is one thing that one remembers about her it is the constant occupation of her hands. But then her sturdy little body was never at rest either. For eighty-two years she blessed the world with her labor, and in the end she was glad to rest.

firm convictions whether in opinions of stubbornness but of fiber. The he passed by to express the urgency it she became the mother of a score who had been orphaned. For after ing forty years of service in Erie than three years doing missionary s. And doubtless many little child- grateful for their foster mother's

with her reverend husband, made , loved in Church and community northern winters were avoided by a. There, in Church loyalties and inued to follow kindly service.

One daughter, Mrs. Otto H. Houser, was born and came to maturity under the thoughtful care of this quietly impressive mother. It was at her home in Denver, Colorado, that Mrs. Mills at length fell to rest.

The funeral service was held in the Methodist Church, Westfield, New York, October 23, 1939, with her pastor, Frank S. McKnight, in charge. Interment was made in the Westfield cemetery.

OTTO H. HOUSER.

MRS. JOHN A. LAVELY

Mrs. Hannah Foster Lavelly was born May 6, 1867, at Chapmanville, Pa., and died July 6, 1940, at the home of her daughter, Rachel Lavelly, in Akron, Ohio.



As a young woman, Mrs. Lavelly taught school and attended Grove City College. While a student at Grove City she met John Lavelly, to whom she was united in marriage, April 23, 1889. In the same year she went with him to his first pastorate in Petersburg, Ohio.

For more than forty years Mrs. Lavelly gave herself without reserve to the work of the Church in the various charges served by her husband. Her quiet patience and dignity left their impress on many persons in the communities in which she lived. These same qualities made for her family a happy home in which to live. Her children, five daughters and four sons, all of whom survive, retain the memory of a kind and loving mother, always helpful and understanding.

"Let Thy work appear unto Thy servants,  
And Thy glory unto their children.  
And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us;  
And establish Thou the work of our hands upon us;  
Yea, the work of our hands establish Thou it."

HORACE T. LAVELY.

IDA CLARK MOWRY

Ida B. Clark was born in Meadville, Pennsylvania, in October, 1856. She was educated in the public schools of Meadville. Following her graduation from Allegheny College, she accepted a position