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When Sorry Say So.

The following very sensible article is from an unknown source but is so strikingly true we cannot resist the temptation to reproduce it in the hope that it will have made some one better for having read it: "We read not long ago a very sensible article under the caption, 'When You Are Sorry Say So.' We hope we have been benefited. When you've been cross and unkind or rude, said the writer, don't let false pride stand in the way of asking forgiveness. It isn't always easy to say, 'I'm sorry,' in fact, sometimes it's desperate hard. But once you've said it you'll feel so much happier that it's really worth the sacrifice to foolish pride. The longer you wait the harder it will be to say it; the angry feelings will grow like a snowball, until what has merely been a slight grievance assumes the proportions of real estrangement. "There is no fault so hard to overcome as the hasty temper. We may make any number of good resolutions, and then the first time that we have any provocation away we go without an instant's warning, and before we realize what we are doing the unkind words have been spoken, and no matter how much regret we feel they cannot be unsaid. The strange thing about it is that we've often hurt the people we love the best. Even when we beg forgiveness, though we heal the hurt, we cannot do away with the scar. "As a rule, the people who are quick to give offense are equally as quick in taking it. Their feelings are easily hurt, and they go about with the proverbial chip so lightly balanced on their shoulders that some one is sure to knock it off, either intentionally or accidentally. "Half the ill-feelings in the world can be smoothed out by a few words of explanation, but if on the other hand the offender will say, 'Have I done anything wrong? If so, I am sorry,' and on the other the offender will not say, 'you have done so and so; did you mean it?' the breach will go on widening until it is irreparable. "No matter how much of a struggle it is when you are sorry, say so and 'Let not the sun go down upon your wrath.'"—Gaffney Ledger

Death of Col. J. A. Mays.

John Albert Mays was born in Edgefield county, S. C., March 18th, 1823, and died at his home in the community of North Paolet, Sept. 10th, 1904. His death was due to a malignant form of chronic diarrhoea, of which he had suffered for many years, and from which death alone, gave him permanent relief. He was highly respected by the people of his section. This was demonstrated by the large congregation that gathered to witness the last earthly remains of him laid to rest. The funeral services were held at the home on Sunday p. m. at the hour of 3 o'clock, after which the body was interred in the family grave yard nearby. Mr. Mays was well connected, both by blood and marriage; his last wife, who survives him, was Mrs. Menerva Jackson-McClure. These two seemingly happy and devoted people lived together about eleven years and made the social and religious atmosphere of their home most delightful. Their separation, as indicated, sad, but cannot be of very great duration, until in a higher sphere they meet again, more to part. May the great Comforter be a husband to the devoted and bereft wife, and give her all needed strength and comfort in her sorrow and loneliness. Respectfully,
T. C. CROKER.

TRYON-NEWS.

Rev. W. H. Perry will preach here next Sunday at 11 a. m. and at 7.30 p. m.
Thomas Elmore, of Florida, is visiting at the home of Judge Godshaw.
T. C. Mills attended the railroad meeting at Columbus Monday.
Wm. Durhan returned to Tryon Friday. He had been visiting in Greenville, S. C.

T. C. Mills went to see A. Jackson, of Mill Spring, Tuesday, with reference to placing poles along the road from Columbus to Mill Spring on which to construct the telephone from Columbus to Mill Spring. Mr. Mills thinks that in about two or three weeks Tryon folks can shout hello at Mill Spring citizens.

Miss Marie Jones, who has been visiting her grandmother here has returned to her home in Cincinnati, Ohio.

A. J. Morton has returned from a trip to the New England States.

Miss Katherine Beatson, a trained nurse of Tryon who has been attending a patient at White Stone Springs, S. C., returned Friday to care for a patient at Lynn, Mrs. Tuttle.

John Orr & Co., expects to get into his new store this week.

MILL SPRING NOTES.

Mrs. Robert Price is on the sick list this week. Her friends hope for her speedy return to good health.

Mr. McCurry, the photographer who has been in our town for two months, moved with his tent to his home in Forest City, Tuesday.

Miss Ella Edwards, the deaf and dumb girl of Mill Spring, was taken ill suddenly Sunday evening with a spasm. Dr. Edwards was called and found her in a critical condition. At this writing she is reported better.

Miss Pauline Shankle, of Saluda, is visiting her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Boone, at Mite Inn.

Rev. W. H. Perry filled his regular appointment at Bethlehem Sunday. His text was, "The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree; he shall grow like a cedar of Lebanon."—Psalms 92:12. The sermon seemed to be enjoyed by all present.

The fourth quarterly meeting will be held at Bethlehem the first Saturday and Sunday in October, beginning on Friday previous at 10 o'clock with a missionary mass meeting and dinner on the ground Friday and Saturday. A good time is expected. Everybody is invited. Rev. J. H. West, Presiding Elder of Morganton District, is to preside. Rev. J. D. Arnold, of Rutherfordton, is also expected to be present and deliver a missionary address Friday.

Rev. W. H. Perry will preach at New Hope the Saturday before the fourth Sunday at 2 p. m. and at 11 a. m. the fourth Sunday.

Rev. W. H. Perry is holding a meeting at Pleasant Hill this week. We learn the meeting started with considerable interest. He is reported to have held a meeting at Collinsville last week resulting in ten professions.

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