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* In this church, he served God *
* In this community, he served Mankind *
* UPTON D. NOURSE, M.D. *
* Elder 1913-1947 *
* He left many friends who wish this *
* memorial chancel to extend his hand *
* of service into the future. *
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ADDRESS delivered at the

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C H A N C E L D E D I C A T I O N

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THE
DARNESTOWN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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One hundred years ago, there was no church in Darnestown, but a handful of Presbyterians worshipped in the "Free or Union Church" up at Pleasant Hills on Mr. Kelley's farm. Next year about this time, we will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the reception of the first members of the Darnestown Church who organized and planned to build a church edifice on three acres of land that was donated by John Duffief. But that is too big a story to be told today. This afternoon we want to trace a bit of personal history, to trace a little bit of the relationship of people to the history of this church and community, and to do this, I find it helpful to consider the life of a young man growing up along with the community, watching always for the ways his life is intertwined with many others of this neighborhood. As we unravel these strands of personal history, we see ever afresh the remarkable truth that "we are our brothers' keeper"...that we have a real debt of gratitude that can never adequately be repaid the countless souls who have influenced our lives, even until today.

So, think with me for a few moments about a young lad born in 1839. He would be fifteen years old one hundred years ago, and even though he lived at Clarksburg, James Windsor must have known about Darnestown. One hundred years ago, however, that Jimmy Windsor would never have guessed that by the time his fifteen years had doubled to make him a man of thirty that he would have learned the grocery business over at Laytonsville and would be in business with Julian Griffith here in Darnestown. In fact, he would be establishing business in the house where Jimmy Esworthy lives today, a lad of nearly fifteen whom we can a little easier picture.

