

**D. Meredith Jones** (20 Oct 1840 – 25 Aug 1885) Peoples Advocate and Press, September 2, 1885

**D. Meredith Jones**, of the firm of Jones Brothers, grain and coal dealers of Newport, died of consumption at his residence in Newport, on Tuesday evening, the 25th of August, aged 44 years, 10 months, and 3 days.

He was the son of the late **John Jones**, and was born in Juniata Township, near Milford, October 20th, 1840. He worked on his father's farm until the breaking out of the rebellion, when he entered the three month's service. On the expiration of his term he enlisted in the signal service and served until the close of the war. In 1865 he removed with his father to Newport and with him entered into partnership for three years with the late B. Himes, of Newport, in the grain business. At the expiration of three years Mr. Himes retired from the firm and the business was continued for the next three years by the father and son. Alvin Jones, another brother, was then taken into partnership, and the firm of John Jones & Sons continued until the death of the father in April, 1880, when the two brothers entered into partnership under the name of the Jones Brothers.

Mr. Jones was married in 1869, to **Miss Ella Gantt**, daughter of the late **Jesse L. Gantt**. He was a consistent and active member of the Lutheran church of Newport, an unassuming gentleman an honorable man, a good citizen, an accommodating neighbor, and a kind husband and father. He was a brother of Sergeant **John Jones**, who was killed while in the service of his country. Besides his wife and four young children, his brother **Alvin**, **Mrs. G.W. Simpson**, of Indiana, Pa. **Mrs William Fosselman**, of Tuscarora Township, and **Mrs. Amos Fleisher**, of Oliver Township, are left to mourn his death. His remains were interred in the Newport Cemetery on last Thursday.