

TOOMBSBORO,
WILKINSON COUNTY, GA.,
February 21, 1869.

Brother L. I. Bodenhamer:—You will please accept my thanks and heartfelt gratitude for sending me your valuable paper, which is a welcome messenger, with a feast of good things for all believers in Christ, as it is devoted to the defence of His glorious cause. I have been receiving it regularly ever since the first of December, and am well pleased with it.

It has been the will of an Allwise Providence to lay His chastening rod upon me since I saw you last. Death has visited my family, and taken away my oldest son. Indeed it was hard for the flesh to give him up; yet I am made to say, with the Psalmist David: "I know, O Lord, that thy judgments are right; and that thou in faithfulness hast afflicted me." I hope that you will remember me at a throne of grace. May God's grace rest upon you and your dear family.

MARY A. FORD.

Obituaries.

Brother L. I. Bodenhamer:—Please publish the following obituary notice:

Departed this life, near Clinton, Jones county, Georgia, January 22d, 1869, my dear wife, MARY PATTERSON, in the 62nd year of her age. A few days before her departure she was taken sick; seemed to get better, and expressed a desire to go to her meeting, remarking that she wished to go as long as she lived.—Went, complained some after her return; the next morning seemed much improved; but before night she grew worse, and gradually declined until her death.

Seeing that death was near, I asked her, on Thursday night, if she had any fears about death; she said, "None, as she had a hope beyond the grave." Friday night, without a struggle or groan, or the least movement of any kind, she fell asleep in Jesus.

She had been a faithful, consistent member of the Old School Baptist Church for more than 33 years; the cause of God and truth was always precious to her. We had been married for more than 41 years, and in all that time, I can truly say, she never uttered an unkind nor angry word to me. As mother, neighbor and friend she had few equals, no superiors, as all who knew her will admit. Her life and character was unspotted and irreproachable. Truly a good woman, a mother in Israel, has fallen. I am now old and well stricken in years, and badly crippled. Her loss to her children, the neighborhood and church is great; to me, it is irreparable. But words can never express her worth. The large and soleran concourse of friends and acquaintances who attended as mourners at her burial, speak her praise, reverence her memory.

I hope to have the prayers of my brethren and sisters, that I may be sustained under this trying dispensation of Providence, that I may be prepared by grace to meet my dear, loving companion above, where sickness and sorrow, pain and death, are felt and teared no more.

HEARNDON PATTERSON.
February 20th, 1869.

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JAS. S. DAMERON, PRINCIPAL.

Ruffin Station, N. C., Nov. 25th, 1868.

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