

BROTHER EDITOR:—Please publish in Zion's Landmarks, that our next Mayo Baptist Association, expects to convene with Russell's Creek church, in Patrick County, Virginia, eight miles Southeast of Patrick Court House, on Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in May and two following days. We hope to meet with brethren from these several churches, and correspondents from sister associations; our ministering brethren especially.

Brother Philip Snider, will you give me leave to make some appointments for you, on through our section, to the Association? If so, write to me forthwith. If you and other brethren will agree to it, I will make appointments so that you can be with us at our Clear Spring meeting, the 2nd Saturday and Sunday in May, then I will make appointments on to our Association. Write me as soon as you can.

Your brother in bonds of love,
R. W. HILL.

"Indeed, doctor, more is lacking in me than I thought. I have been resting on a decent conduct and my Sunday prayers; but something still I find is wanting; and the main thing, too. The house which I have built I used to think a creditable house; but I perceive at length there are no windows in the house, nor any furniture in the chambers. And no wonder if a dark house become a den of thieves, for they love the night, and dwell in darkness. However, I am now provided with some light for the windows, and must seek out furniture for the chambers. I would not willingly miscarry in this matter, because it is of moment. And it would be sad, indeed, after building and repairing all my days, to have the house upon my head at last. But I trust, by the help of a good will and a lusty arm of my own, to fray the birds away, dislodge the gang, and furnish well my house. What think you now, doctor? Do I not talk like a man?" "Yes, Sir, very much like a heathen man and publican. You swagger like a Canaanite; but Canaanites, though giants, were overcome and slain.—If you find no better help than your own will and your own arm, your house will be down at last, and bury you in its ruins.—Berridge.

Give us a man in the state of nature, and though all the ministers under heaven should preach mercy unto him, though all the angels in heaven should exhort and entreat him, though all glory and happiness were laid before him, and he were wished only to believe and take it and it shall be his for ever; yet in his natural condition he could have no power to receive so blessed an offer.—Ambrose.

To be really graceless and Christless is a miserable condition; but to be so, and yet confidently persuaded of the contrary, is most miserable; to have the very symptoms of death upon us, and yet tell those that pity us we are as well as they, is lamentable indeed!—Flavel.

When a christian considers the goodness of God's ways, he wonders that the world doth not walk in them. But when he considers the blindness, and depravity, and prejudice of the heart by nature, he wonders that any should.—Mason.

OBITUARY.

HICKORY GROVE, CRAWFORD CO., GA., }
March 27th, 1870. }

DEAR BROTHER BODENHAMER:—By request I send you the obituary of sister MARY E. SLAUGHTER, which I wish you to publish in the Landmarks.

Died, at her residence, near Thomaston, Upson county, Georgia, January 13th, 1870, sister Mary E. Slaughter, wife of John G. Slaughter, aged 36 years. She left four small children, a kind husband, and numerous friends to mourn for her.—But we have hope, that their great loss is her eternal gain. She united with the Baptist Church at Good Hope, in Upson county, Georgia, in 1850. Sister Slaughter lived a consistent Baptist. As she lived, so she died—trusting in the promise of our blessed Redeemer. May God bless and comfort our dear and much afflicted brother Slaughter, and his motherless little ones.
JOHN DICKEY.

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