

19. CHARLES VIRGIN, the minister on the Stanstead Circuit for this year, (1808-9,) stood in connection with the New England Conference, within the bounds of which he continued to labor—rising, like many others who spent their novitiate in Canada, to the office of Presiding Elder—and died in the work. We subjoin the Obituary of the Minutes:—

20. "The Rev. Charles Virgin departed this life at Wilbraham, April 1, 1853. He was born in Hopkinton, N. H., May 8, 1787." (He was nine years younger than Sikes.) "At the age of twelve years he was converted to God, and eight years after"—at the age of twenty—"he joined the New England Conference, held at Boston, June, 1807. During the time he sustained an effective relation, besides his several circuit appointments, he served the Church in the office of Presiding Elder in two Districts, the Boston and the Kennebec. He was also a member both of the General Conference of 1816, held in Baltimore, and the one held in Cincinnati in 1836. Though enjoying but limited advantages in his youth, by his diligence and zeal his ministry was rendered both acceptable and useful. His character was marked by uprightness and decision. He was sincerely attached to the cause of the slave, and faithful in the discharge of his personal and social duties as a Christian. He was given to much prayer, and though at times subject to great depression of spirits, he frequently seemed overpowered by his religious emotions. On those occasions he exhorted and invited sinners to seek the Saviour with deep pathos and affection. His last appointment was Monson. Since his superannuation he resided at Wilbraham, Mass. Though feeble for years, his last sickness continued but four days. His final hours were hours of triumph. While he could yet speak, he bore testimony to the power and comfort of religion. Among his last expres-