

## THE DEPARTED.

Our brother Mr. James Post, near Mellville, Prince Edward County, has bid all earthly connexions adieu, having departed this life not far from the middle of July last. He was a devoted brother. For many years he walked with our friends the Baptists, and entertained strong prejudices against the people "everywhere spoken against," the Disciples. But some two or three years ago, after perusing some of our writings and making himself acquainted with the brethren, he gave a bill of divorce to his opposition and frankly gave us his hand, his heart, and his influence. Occasionally he exercised himself as a public speaker. At the time of his death he had an appointment to speak in Hillier, but he was borne to the grave before the appointed time arrived. His end was peace.

One who was still more endeared to us has left for "the better land." Father Kingsly Mason, remaining parent of sister D. Oliphant, departed this life on Tuesday, the 7th of August, 1855. He closed his eyes in death at the house of Mr. S. Giles, one of his sons-in-law, Weedsport, N. Y., after a brief but painful illness. At the time of his halting at Weedsport our father was on his way to Canada to make us a lengthy visit here, but instead of journeying to Canada, he took the final journey which we will all take either sooner or later. Father Mason was in his 72nd year, having publicly confessed the Lord some 25 years ago.

Mother Mason left us in July, 1854, and father Mason followed her in August, 1855—the fond parents of five daughters, on whom much parental affection was bestowed. While mourning the loss of these loved but now departed relatives, our prayer is that we may imitate every virtue they possessed and practically prize the motherly and fatherly counsels they affectionately imparted.

Brother S. H. Cone, President of the American Bible Union, New York city, finished his career on earth August 28th, current year. He was a great man in the true sense of the word. He called himself and the people called him a Baptist; and when his name was printed the letters D. D. were appended to it; but that name and these initials were too contracted for a man so large and noble as Spencer H. Cone.

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