

O B I T U A R Y .

MEMOIR OF MRS. POLLY HENDERSON.

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The subject of the following brief notice, Polly Henderson, wife of John Henderson, and daughter of Ezekiel & Nabby Shipman, was born in Salem, New York, on the 25th. of February 1792. Her parents emigrated to Canada when she was but eleven years of age, and settled in Elizabethtown, where they now reside, and where the subject of this memoir continued to reside until she took her final departure from the shores of mortality, and entered into that "rest which remains for the people of God," which transpired on the 8th. of November last at half past ten o'clock A. M. aged 47 years, 8 months, and 14 days. Sister Henderson sustained a good moral character, was an obliging neighbour, an affectionate wife, and a kind parent; and she has left her aged parents, a bereaved companion, nine children, and a numerous circle of afflicted friends to mourn her loss.

She embraced religion in Nov. 1837, at a protracted meeting which was held in the vicinity of her own residence, from which time she was an acceptable member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, until the day of her death. She was favoured with but a poor state of health during the last 5 years of her life, and for 6 months previous to death, was confined to the house, and principally to her bed. She suffered much during her illness, but she bore it with great patience. She was attended by an experienced physician, and every exertion which kindness and affection could make, was rendered by her friends in order to prolong her stay among them; but all was in vain, her disease continued to progress until exhausted nature yielded to its ravages. From the time of her confinement, the enemy thrust sorely at her, in order, to destroy her confidence in God. She had lost in a measure that sweet peace which she enjoyed when she first experienced the pardon