

Feb 13/121 Feb 13/122 Oliver Aspinwall died Sep. 146

Oliver late S: was born at the farm house at the bottom of Toy Lane Oct 29th 1783. His parents Mr & Mrs H. all their children with them to our Chapel, which they constantly attended. They afterwards joined our church & up abt both ~~went~~ ^{were} in our burying ground. In her 13th year she went to reside in the lodgings at Wyke & continued there till that institution was broken up in 1805; she then came to Dulmeston & resided in the big house where she was employed a short time in the wash, & then nearly 4 yrs. as cook. She then lived for 10 years with her mother at Wellgate-hill. Both of them came to Dulmeston every Sunday & on all festive occasions when it was practicable. In the yr 1825, they ~~both~~ came to reside in our old S: - house ~~the~~ ^{the following} next y: our late S: went to live with P: H: C: Holmes; he was afterwards twice housekeeper & cook in Mr B: Bon's house. She then retired into the sisters' house & lived there until Dec: 1843 when she married Mr B: Will: Aspinwall.

She had the happiness to know the truth from her childhood & that we have every reason to believe not

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only theoretically, but so that her
heart was savingly influenced thereby
so that she devoted herself to the Lord &
lived in communion with him. She was
born into the church in 1805 & added
to the N. Comm' in 1808. — Like all
^{those who does not} others feel the effects of our natural
corruption more or less to ~~others~~ ^{this} dying day
the flesh waging against the spirit.
The spirit against the flesh. She had
her failings as well as her sharp con-
flicts & heart trials; yet, generally
speaking her spirit & conduct were
consistent with her profession; occa-
sional spiritual conversation with
her showed that she knew herself
be a poor sinner, but that she believed
in it as her all-sufficient
Saviour, loved him & clung to him.
A few days before her last illness
commenced we called upon her & her
husband. He had a conversation with them
of a spiritual character, with them
when we were struck with her being
unusually & pleasingly gleamed &
communication on the concerns of
her soul. — She appears to have taken
cold on Sept^r. 7th; but the com-
plaint soon developed itself as
the English Malady. As, however,
she did not suppose it was anything
serious, she continued her usual
occupations for a fortnight, tho very
weak & poorly. At length she was un-

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desirous to call in medical advice - but, in spite of all the nurses used, she grew worse &, on Tuesday morning last between 5 & 6 she fell into a deep lethargy for several hours was tho' to be a natural & refreshing slumber; at length, however, it appeared to be a stupor from which she would never awake; this ~~had~~ them for me? the usual blessing for her departure between 7 & 8 o. m. on Wednesday noon & ab^t. 11 o'clock breathed her last - of course in a state of unconsciousness.

She had, on several occasions previous to her sinking into this lethargic state, spoken very satisfactorily of her spiritual state, of her hope & confidence in our Redeemer. She declared her consciousness of her own sins & her better clement, saying, on one occasion, "When I look at myself I see ~~nothing~~ ^{only} but sin & misery. & nothing but turning to my best can comfort & cheer me." But she clung to Jesus with purpose of heart, saying, "Poor sinner as I am I know whom I have believed; I feel over too - mercy & peace; for he is with me & near me; - & being asked if she had a good hope, that he would receive by the repaid; I have not the least doubt, that he will do so for his mercy & grace."

We cannot however, therefore, a confidence
repose that she has entered into that
rest, which remained for the people
of God.

Her character was such, that she
was generally respected while living
& as generally regarded & honored.
Her own relatives loved her - & her
husband's children & grandchildren
- one of whom was the last ~~living~~
person ~~alive~~ except to our dying - ground
never felt so little affection for
her. - Her relit deserves no more could
have a more affectionate & valuable
helpmate than he has lost in her. He
speaks particularly of her spirituality
of mind, as one proof of which he has
told the writer, that she used to take
great delight in the family devotion
which they had together in the mid-
night hours each day, so that she
would rise from her bed to join him
in it, even tho' she had ^{carefully} retired,
traying to her usual practice while
she went his rounds as ^{her afflicted husband} ~~watchman~~.

May the Lord her support &
^{after his ascension} comfort to give him & all her rela-
tives grace to make their calling &
election sure! - May we all
meet her & start as her partner
for us in the city of the living God
& before the throne of the Lamb!
Her age was 57 years within 28
days.