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Information

Lynchburg Virginian

Monday 02/09/1835

-at his residence, in Amherst county, on the 5th inst. Thomas Higginbotham, Esq. Formerly a merchant of this place.

Monday 02/16/1835

Departed this life Wednesday, the 4th inst. Mr. Thomas Higginbotham, of Amherst county, in the 64th year of his age. He was brought up from early life to the mercantile profession, which he pursued with success, and with the confidence and esteem of all with whom he had dealings, or knew him. He possessed a discriminating judgment and firmness of purpose, not to be shaken, when that judgment convinced him that he was right. He was generous and benevolent, humane and kind to all who deserved it—no matter in what relationship they stood to him, whether as servant, assistant, relation or friend—and charitable to the poor. Through life he observed an undeviating regard to truth, so much so as to disdain to deceive, even by a smile. May all living men practice his virtues. If he had failings, (and who has not?) they emanated chiefly from the goodness of his heart. If he was not a Christian, he possessed the virtues of one, and more than thousands who call themselves such. The writer of this knew him long and intimately—and in this short sketch, of his character, has, he believes, followed his own great example of a rigid adherence to truth, without which, indeed, there is no virtue