DIED,

At Woodbury, his late residence, in the county of Fairfax, Virginia, on Tuesday, the 23d ult, Doctor MOTTROM BALL, in the 75th year of his age. Doctor Ball exhibited in his character a rare combination of acomplishments, united with the most solid virtues; kind, courteous, and affable, no one ever formed his acquaintance who did not accord to him the voluntary homage of admiration and esteem.

Born in the county of Northumberland, Va., of highly respectable and opulent parentage, he was sent to Scotland at an early age, where, at the institutions of Glasgow and Edinburgh, he acquired a solid classical and medical education. The evidence of worth which shone so conspicuously in his after life was here developed, and drew around him, in a land of strangers, a band of warm and devoted friends, at the head of which stood Professor William Hambleton. He returned to the United States about the year 1790, and commenced the practice of medicine in his native country. His fame as a physician extended in a short time to the surrounding counties, and for a period of twenty-four years he was actively engaged in a laborious practice over a widely extended field. In 1814, (his property being devastated by the British,) to provide for the safety of his family, he left the county of Northumberland, followed by the regrets of those who had so often been benefited by his skill, and with a professional reputation equalled only by their admiration of his character as a man. He settled in the county of Fairfax, where, uhtil the period of his demise, he continued to dispense to a large circle of his friends and neighbors the blessings of his professional skill and the endearing offices of friendship. It is no fiction—Dr. Ball lived and died without having made an enemy, and the rich consolations of Christianity vouchsafed to him in his dying hour, offorded a striking exemplification of the saying of the great and good Dr. Boerhaave, that the poor were his best patients, for God was their paymaster.

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