

## BISHOP H. H. KAVANAUGH.

A dispatch from Columbus, Miss., announces the death of Bishop Kavanaugh, of the Methodist Church South, after a painful illness, in the eighty-third year of his age. The body will be taken to Louisville, Ky., where he has lived for several years.

Hubbard Hinde Kavanaugh was born in Clark County, Ky., Jan. 14, 1802, and received there an education in the common school branches. Much of his knowledge was gained by reading and private study. He was a son of William Kavanaugh, and his grandfather on his mother's side was the celebrated Dr. Thomas Hinde, who played so important a part in Western Methodism. At the age of 15 years young Kavanaugh became apprenticed to a printer, and soon after was engaged upon a secular newspaper at Augusta, Ky. When only 16 he became converted, and soon afterward became an exhorter. Under a conviction of duty he accepted a license as a local preacher. In 1823 the young preacher was admitted to the Kentucky Conference and joined the itinerant ranks. This Conference he never left until made a Bishop. His first experience as a regular Methodist minister was in the then Border Conference, and his circuit covered over 200 miles, in which he had 25 appointments to be attended to in 28 days. For five years he rushed on horseback from one point to another on this circuit. His ordination as a Deacon was at Russellville, Ky., and Bishop Roberts made him an Elder very soon after.

During his life on the circuit he distinguished himself by dauntless energy and untiring zeal in his work. This, in connection with his stirring eloquence and successful work, caused him to rise rapidly from a comparative obscure position to the front ranks of the Conference ministry. His appointments followed rapidly afterward, and there was scarcely a town or city in Kentucky which did not benefit from his ministry. For a short time he was an agent for Augusta College, and also was Superintendent of instruction in Kentucky. Until 1854 his work was active. Then he was made a Bishop at the General Conference held in May in Columbus, Ga. From that time his reputation in the Southern church was an enviable one, and his energy of earlier days on a difficult circuit lost none of its strength. During the troubles in the South he remained with that branch of the church and did much in building it up. For the past few years he has resided at Louisville, and has been active until very recently in the work of the church. A few years ago he was very much interested at the Round Lake camp-meetings and controversies arising there. His work, however, was mostly in the South and West. Bishop Kavanaugh was a fine-looking man, tall, and of commanding presence. As well as having been a charming talker and a powerful preacher, he was a great social favorite.

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