

Death of Judge Clayton.

We copy from the "Athens Whig" the following article in reference to the death of this distinguished citizen :

" Again the angel of death has visited us, and taken from amongst us that enlightened statesman and illustrious citizen **AUGUSTIN S. CLAYTON**.

To scan the life of this eminent man would be far beyond our abilities, could we find words to do him justice. To say that he was a man of sterling honor and strict integrity; a politician of distinguished ability and a powerful champion of the State Rights party; a scholar possessing a matured and cultivated intellect, and a founder of one of the literary societies attached to our University; a warm friend, and a kind master; a tender husband and a most devoted parent; would convey but a faint idea of the many noble qualities which were concentrated in him, yet he was more than all this. Taught by a stroke of Providence to put his trust in God, and to look forward with a more sustaining hope to a place on his right hand—he was a sincere Christian; and his death-bed assured his friends, that he now reposes in the bosom of his God. Thus has passed away one of the first of men—and though he is no longer amongst us, his memory and virtues will long be engraven on the hearts of all who knew him."