

[Dibell¹, Mary]

DEATHS.

In Salisbury, 21st Feb. last, Mrs. Mary Dibell, wife of Nathaniel Dibell, in the 72d year of her age. Mrs. Dibell had been a resident of Salisbury, we believe, for nearly half a century, and although nearly all of those who were her associates in youth, had passed away long before her, she was endeared, on account of the excellence of her moral and Christian character, her industrial and frugal habits, to a large circle of friends. Long before such a thing as a Universalist church was known in Salisbury, the house of Br. Dibell was the place where many a wandering preacher of our faith delivered his message of love; where, from time to time, the few friends of the Restitution, who were willing to listen in so humble a place, could have "a feast of fat things." In those early days, Br. Dibell and his wife, stood up amidst the severest persecution, the blindest bigotry, and defended the faith they loved with a sacred determination and a worthy zeal. But those days have changed, and Mrs. Dibell lived to see bigotry grow ashamed, persecution silent, and superstition, with all her midnight train, turn back in confusion.

We love to record the fact, that when she closed her eyes, she was surrounded by a large number of her own children, who have adopted the same precious faith, and who lost no opportunity to comfort her in her last hours.

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¹ also spelled Dibble