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CHARLESTON, S. C., FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 1852.

WHOLE NUMBER

Died, in Walker co., Ga., March 29th, the  
Rev. THOMAS BIRD. He was born in Maryland  
April 18, 1762, moved to Va., and from thence  
to No. Ca., where he embraced religion under  
the preaching of the Rev. T. Williamson. He  
was licensed to exhort in 1793, and to preach  
in 1794, and received Elder's orders in 1814,  
from the venerable Asbury. He served in the  
Revolutionary war for two years and four  
months under Col. Cleveland. The Christian  
and patriot is no more, and as he went down  
into the dark vale, the star of Bethlehem  
cheered him with its heavenly light, while  
the rod and staff of Israel's shepherd were his  
comfort. In him were combined many of the  
virtues which beautify and ennoble the charac-  
ter of man. His heart was full of benevolence,  
and it was his happiness to labor in his  
Master's vineyard. He was a man of genuine  
piety, amiable temper, good sense, irreproach-  
able life, an agreeable colleague, and an ac-  
ceptable preacher. Few men have lived of  
whom it can be more truly said, "They who  
knew him best loved him most."

W. F. CONNELLY.