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Mrs. Emma Austin.

The Hatherton Society, Crewe II. Circuit, has sustained a great loss in the decease of Emma Austin, society steward of the above place. Our sister had lived to the ripe age of eighty-two years. She was a woman of remarkable ability and power, and absolutely devoted to the

work of her Lord and Master. For over fifty years she occupied the position of a preacher on the plan, and for a considerable time was a class leader. But her great work was as a missionary collector, ever anxious, ever diligent to collect funds for the missionary cause, and she retained her ardour and zeal to the last. Her home was ever open to both travelling and local preachers, and many remember with joy the delightful times they had at the residence of the deceased. After a brief illness, Sister Austin passed to the Homeland on July 9th, 1911, and on the following Wednesday she was interred in the parish graveyard at Wyburnbury, the service being conducted by Rev. G. T. D. Pidsley, assisted by Rev. C. Finlay. Prior to the interment a service was held in our chapel at Hatherton, which was largely at-



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tended, when Alderman McNeill, Mr. James Sadler, Rev. C. Finlay and Rev. G. T. D. Pidsley took part. On July 23rd a most impressive memorial service was held at Hatherton Chapel, conducted by Mr. T. Maland, of Newcastle, when members of the family and a large number of the inhabitants attended to show their last token of love and respect for one they had known so long. "She hath done what she could" is truly said of the departed.

G. T. D. PIDSLY.