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## Prominent Citizen Passed M Early Wednesday Morn- ing—Death Was Due to Heart Failure.

A wave of sadness was cast over our town early Wednesday, when it was learned that Mr. J. S. Sloan had died from a stroke of heart failure at his home across the river. Mr. Sloan had been at his place of business as usual the day before, and appeared to be enjoying his usual good health.

Early Wednesday morning he arose and dressed, and was sitting in front of the fire awaiting the call to breakfast when he complained of having a sudden severe pain in his side. A physician was hastily summoned, and members of the family administered what relief they could, but in spite of all that could be done he died in a few minutes. When the physician arrived a few minutes later Mr. Sloan had passed beyond all earthly aid.

At the time of his death Mr. Sloan was 65 years of age. In 1885 he married Miss Georgia Neville, of Wallahalla, S. C. To this happy union eight children, four boys and four girls, were born, all of whom, with the wife, survive. The children are: Mrs. Francis Tessier, of Louisiana; Misses Timoxena, Carolyn and Eleanor Sloan, and Messrs. W. N. J. & Harold and Carter Sloan.

Besides his wife and children, Mr. Sloan is survived by two brothers, Messrs. W. W. and Leon T. Sloan, Mrs. Lee Crawford, and Mrs. L. R. Kinnebrew, as well as a large number of other relatives.

The best that can be said of Mr. Sloan is that "he was a man" in every sense of the word. At the early age of sixteen years his father died, leaving him to fill the man's shoes in a large family, and it can be said to his credit that he got right on the job and filled them most acceptably. His was an honored place in the church, business and social life of our community, and there was not a man in our county who was more universally liked and esteemed than he. For many years he was a devoted and consistent member of the Franklin Methodist Church, serving for a long time as a member of the Board of Stewards, and at the time of his death was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Church.

He was the senior member of the firm of Sloan Brothers & Co., who have been in the merchandise business in our town for a long term of years, and who have built up an enviable reputation for honesty and fairness in all their dealings.

When the two Franklin banks were consolidated several years ago, forming what is now the Bank of Franklin, Mr. Sloan was unanimously chosen as president of the institution, as the one man in our town who was acceptable to all parties.

Mr. Sloan was for several years a member of the Board of Trustees of the Franklin Graded School, and has held other offices of trust and responsibility during his long residence here.

The funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, interment being at the Methodist cemetery. The large congregation of sorrowing friends and relatives, and the many beautiful floral offerings attested to the high esteem in which he was held by our people.

Expressions of regret at his untimely death are heard on every hand, and it is realized that his place in our community will be hard to fill.