

Obituary of Major Michael Dickson from The
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"Died on the 19th ultimo (Preceding month,[July]) at his residence in Pendleton District, after a short and painful illness, Major Michael Dickson, in the 95th year of his age. Major Dickson was a Native of Ireland, and came to America with his father at the age of 5 years, to the state of Pennsylvania. Previous to his settling in South Carolina, he had been one of the opposers of the Stamp Act, and amongst the foremost to resent his country's wrongs. In the year 1777, he accepted a Captaincy in the service of Georgia, and on his return to South Carolina, was promoted to Majority. He was in a number of battles, and had several shots pass through his clothes, but never received a wound. Major Dickson was a humble Christian, a member of the Presbyterian Church, in full communion about seventy years, and a ruling elder sixty years. His character through life was exemplary, and he died hoping for a glorious resurrection".