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**From the "Arkansas Gazette" on Sept 21, 1871:** " Died at Brownsville, Prairie Co., on the 8th of Sept., in the 47th year of her age, Mrs. Mary T. Dodson, consort of R.T. Dodson, Esq. The deceased, whose maiden name was Flynt, was born and raised in Lincoln Co., Tn. She married Mr. R.T. on the 8th of Jan. 1850, and removed to this state in 1858. A more amiable lady, or one more generally beloved by those who knew her, never died in this or any other community. She had resided in this place and its vicinity for 13 years, and died without an enemy. She leaves a husband, one son, an adopted dau. & a large circle of friends. (Boliver, Tn., please copy)"

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The deceased, whose maiden name was Flynt, was born and reared in Lincoln county, TN. She was united in marriage to Mr R. T. Dodson on the 8<sup>th</sup> January, 1850, and removed to this state in 1858. This instance of mortality deserves more than a simple announcement of the fact, statement of the age, birth-place, etc of the deceased. A more amiable lady, or one more generally beloved by those who knew her, never died in this or any other community. She had resided in this place and its vicinity for thirteen years, and died without any enemy in the entire circle of her acquaintance. The high estimation in which she was held by those who knew her best, was evidenced by the large number who attended her funeral, and the heartfelt sympathy expressed on the occasion. Mrs. Dodson was a faithful and zealous Christian, a devoted wife, an affectionate mother, and a kind friend and neighbor. She was distinguished for her many acts of charity, and her quiet and unostentatious attentions to the poor, sick and needed. No deserving object of sympathy or charity called on her in vain, as well as all who knew her, and especially the writer of the feeble tribute, can bear ample testimony. She left a husband, one son, and adopted daughter and a large circle of friends to mourn her loss. This dispensation of Providence has deprived us of a friend who was very dear to us, but we submit with the firm belief that our loss is her eternal gain, and that she is now enjoying that rest reserved of the people of God. [Banner of Peace, Nashville, Tennessee; and Bulletin, Bolivar, Tenn, please copy].