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The Course of Life of the Married Sister Mary Fincheliff

who went happily to our Sav^r on the 29th Aug^r. 1778

She was born at Wibsey in the Parish of
Bradford Yorkshire in August 1718,

~~and~~ was brought up in the Presbyterian
Religion and in her Youth behaved order-
ly, and living with her Uncle and Aunt
Pollard when they began to love the Brⁿ.

She also came among them & was received
into Society in 1745: but afterwards
absented herself for a while till after she
had married B^r. John Fincheliff in 1749,

~~after a while~~ ^{when} she came again with her
Husband to the Meetings of the Brethren
and since has gone on as a loving Sinner-

Heart. She was received into the ^{Bradsey} Congregⁿ
(at Fullneck) in 1758 and partook the

at Time of the Holy Sacrament with the
Congregⁿ in September 1763. Our Sav^r

blest her Marriage with one Son who is
yet with his Father and a Member of our
Society, and one Daugh^r who is already
gone home to the Lord. B^r & Sis^r. Greening
say, that since they have known Sis^r.

Hinchcliff they observed in her something
of the Character which the Holy Scriptures
give us of the Mother of our Lord: that is
she was poor in her own Eyes, quiet and
yet hearty. When at the late settling of the
Helpers Conference in this Congregⁿ our
Sav^r directed that she should be a Member
thereof, it had a very blessed Effect on her
Heart, she expressed herself about it with Love
Shames & counted herself very poor & unfit.
The Sunday before her Departure, having
been at the Meeting, with her Husband she
afterwards ^{was overheard} comforting a dejected Sis^r very
heartily & lovingly. On the Tuesday W^m Green
-ing providentially called at her House and
Mr. Hinchcliff being out on his Business, she
sat down and conversed awhile very heartily
about her own ^{inward} Poverty, expressing at the same
time (tho indirectly) her Love towards our
dear Sav^r & ^{more perceptibly} her Love to her Husband, her
care & Concern that her Sons Soul might
prosper, and that he might be preserved for
the Lord. She then appeared pretty well in
Health as she was also the next Day till
afternoon, when she complained of her Head
& soon after sitting down was gone to her
Lord in a minute or two in a quiet and

easy Manner (with scarce any Struggle
of the Body) in the 52^d Year of her Age.
Her Corpse had afterwards a lovely aspect
as the Countenance of a reconciled com-
-forted Sinner which had placidly slept
in the Lord. She was also a most loving
Daughter in Law to B^r Hinchcliff's Father
& Mother who are both very ancient & could
not enough express how kind & affectionate
she had been to them, and who have therefore
a real Loss in her Departure, as well as
other necessitous People, whom she made
it her Pleasure to help. For the Lord had
given her a loving compassionate Heart.