

Departed May the 9th 1761.

The Youth John Morgan was born at Kensington near London May the 26th 1743. He came to the Childs Economy at Bullsmear when he was about 3 Years old, and came from thence with the whole Economy to Smith-house in 1749. During his Childhood he had a promising Genius and Capacity for Learning, and in his disposition had something pretty and taking, but with regard to his heart there always appears a tendency to being close and reserved, which often made his Pr^r sigh, lest in futurity the same should continue and consequently prove detrimental to his Boys and Youths course in the Congⁿ.

About the time of the Economies removing from Smith-house to Lambeth in 1753 there often appeared something of the dear Mother's Labour upon his Heart, particularly when his Curiosity of which he had a great share led him upon searching into things which he was afterwards shy in speaking about. In this course he went on, and his Pr^r were often very much distressed on his Account, and full of fears lest his want of Uprightness and openness would make his course heavy to himself and painful to our Saviour. This Pr^r. he had however Intervals betwixt, sometimes clear and promising & then again dark and gloomy, particularly if any thing manifestly appeared against him on account of which he should become a Sinner. However he applied himself with exemplary Diligence to writing Congⁿ Accounts, and shewed a certain pleasure in doing whatsoever was committed to him with great faithfulness and punctuality.

He was received into the great Boys Choir Jan^y 9. 1757 by Mr. Penates which seemingly had a blessed effect upon him for a long time after, but his close disposition of Mind caused him many anxious Moments, when he heard he should be spoke with separately, and he seldom returned from it but with red and wet Eyes on Account thereof.

He came to live in the Choir-house and learn the Shacmackers business August the 21st 1758, His diligence at his Work and desire to learn the business thoroughly was pleasing to every one.

one who had to do with him, but he laboured under an impediment in his strength which often pained him and made him dis-
pose sometimes of ever learning to work as he should do.

In Nov^r 1799 he was one of those youths whom our dear Johannes regulated during his visit here, since which time he has been more clear and unclouded than ever before. In general his course outwardly has been very orderly ever since he came into the Choirhouse, always showing readiness to his Breⁿ and extolling that as highly necessary both in himself and others. Those 3 or 4 months past he has been much more concerned for a lively heart, and spoke of it with more feeling than formerly, was also more clear and open & had a more real connexion with our Soc^y. In the beginning of his sickness which was towards the latter end of April he did not think much of going home, nor did he desire it much, because his heart was not in so tender a situation towards our Soc^y as it could & should be. Several various bands were kept with him, whereby he discovered a sensibility not observed in him before. The 5th Instant he uttered, told a Labourer he knew he was much concerned on his Account, and not without Reason, for said he my heart has not been so lively as it should, but he not distressed or troubled about me; perhaps you may think it would not be agreeable to me to go home, but I can ease you on that Account, and assure you my concern comes not from that corner, whenever he calls me he will take me to himself, I am his & shall certainly go to him, this is a clear and made out matter to me, but my concern is that my heart is not more lively and warm & that I have not enjoyed his precious Nearness as I could and should have done. This Conversation was satisfactory. He also spoke with our Soc^y from that time in a more sincere but confident manner as long as he was able to speak, & also told his Labourers and other Breⁿ he now knew he should go home this time, expressed also a desire after it. At last it was very difficult for him to speak, but when visited did all ^{his} power to render himself intelligible and

and particularly to express himself about going home. The 7th in the Morning he expressed again his desire to go home so as to be understood, & about 11 at Night his sickness took such a turn that it was thought he would go directly.

From this time he took very little notice of any person or thing about him but lay quite still seemingly without pain till the 9th (that ever memorable day) in the evening while the Cong^y was enjoying the holy Communion, about 1/2 an hour before his departure he came quite to himself, was very sensible of his pain, but not able to speak, & 1/4 past 9 while the Cong^y proffered he was delivered into the hands of his Redeemer in a peculiar tender manner, to whom he breathed out his spirit with the blessing of his Choir, & during the singing of several Verses in his 18th Year —