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The ~~Life~~ of the singlst Sist^r Ann. Brook
Of which she has left the following, I was Born in the Parish of
Aristol, in Yorkshire, and Bap^tiz^d by B^r P^rest^r, in Remersal
Chappel. My parents took me with them to the meetings
as soon as I cou^d go, and when the school was sett^ld there,
I went to it. B^r Watson kept a meeting on this Occasion to
the Children, Concerning the aim of this School, now begun with
them, wherein I felt our Sav^r verry near my heart, and the
time I spent amongst the Child^{ren} as also the meetings were a real
Blessing to me, tho' I was sometimes selfwilled & grow^d the
Sist^r who kept the school, In my 13 year I was Rec^d into the
great Girls Choir, which was also a Blessing to me. My Desire
now was to go to live with the Sist^{rs}, but Circumstances not
permitting me at that time, I got into a more indifferent way,
and rather got a likeing to the world, which my Parents
Perceiving with concern, sought a redemption for me into
the Economy, which was granted soon, and I accordingly
moo^d into the Little Moor Economy Sept^r 7th 1868
I was verry thankfull for it, and felt myself Quite at home
from the verry first, but my Disposition being very hasty,
caus^d me often some uneasiness, as I did not know how to be
a Sinner and as such to come thro', I spoke to the Sist^{rs}
Concerning this my trouble, and found thro' their advice, Comfort
and Satisfaction from our Saviour. In my 17 year I was Rec^d
into the Sist^{rs} Choir, which proov^d a new School for my heart,
wherein I wish^d to spend my time more to Our Sav^rs Satisfaction
then I had done^d in my Girls years, being now more and more
Conscious of my own Poverty, which made the Grace bestow^d
on me the Greater, When to my great Joy I was rec^d into the
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This Brought me in the dust before my dearest Saviour, that he could
so graciously accept such a One as I was, and the favour granted
me, Sept^r 9th 1795 when I was Spectator at the Holy Communion
confirmed my Confidence in him, that he would Bring me to the
full enjoyment of his dear Person, and all he had Merited
for me.

Thus far our Late Sist^rs Own Account

She took her illness in the beginning of Nov^r 1795 which we
thought to be a bad Cold, but linger'd for some time without
much alteration till in the beginning of December, when grow-
worse, she had spent her time in stillness so far concerning
her illness, but then told her Sift^rs that she had spoken
with Our Saviour about all her matters, what had past
before she came here, as well as since, of which she mentioned
several Particulars, saying, I would not have any thing left
between my dearest Saviour and me, Being ask'd if she believ'd
Our Saviour would take her to himself at this time, she said,
It is not yet clear to me, but I feel Quite Resign'd, I feel
nothing between him and me that disturbs me, and added,
if there is still any thing left, I wou'd like him to show it me,
that so nothing might hinder me from the enjoyment of him,
Her Longing after the enjoyment of the Lords Body and Blood
in the Holy Sacrament seem'd to be now her only concern.
Which she enjoy'd on the 10th of December, to her great Joy,
she lay quite still for a considerable time, look'd quite Chearfull
and Satisfied, her serene Countenance ^{express'd} the sensible enjoyment
she felt of her dearest Lords nearness, which she express'd
by saying, What a good and Loving Saviour have I;
The next Day she Lay very still, till in the night when her
pain was very Violent, During which she often pray'd

Our Sav^r to help her, and Preserve her Forces, towards
Morning she grew a little Delirious, but all she said was
about our sav^r, and how happy she was in Him, which
her look at the same time testified to all around her, she
had intervals when her pain a little abated that she came
More to herself, On the 14 the Choir Helper, Bled her to
her happy departure, during an inexpressible feeling of Our
Gr Sav^r's nearness, she grew weaker and weaker, and was
not able to say much, But, O come Gr Sav^r take me;
the Sooner the Better and thus continued looking out
with longing for the Happy Moment. till on the 18 in
the Morning between 8 and 9 o'clock, her happy soul
took flight into the arms of her Eternal Bridegroom
in the 20th year of her age, with a sweet feeling
of the Face of God