

Some account of our esteemed friend Phillip Coale late of Deer Creek in Harford County, Maryland.

He was son of William and Sarah Coale and had an education among friends, but in his youthful days not taking heed to the pure inward principle, he was led into undue liberties, which after a time being made able to condemn he became an useful member of Society, and after some years was appointed to the station of an Elder, which he filled with a good degree of propriety. And, altho' he had to labor hard for outward support to a rising family, he was diligent in attending Religious Meetings, and

other services relating to Church affairs. About two weeks before his decease he was taken unwell and underwent grievous bodily affliction with much fortitude of mind till the last, often expressing his full resignation to the Divine will, and that death was no terror to him, intimating that were it not for the care and concern he felt for his dear wife and Children, he should have a choice in leaving this troublesome world, that in journeying through the wilderness thereof, he had witnessed tribulation, and often felt the briers and thorns; adding, but this is my comfort, "It is through much tribulation that we are to enter the Kingdom."

At divers times in his illness he mourned on account of the declined state of our Society, and often cried out in Language similar to that of the Prophet, "Oh that my head were Waters and my eyes a fountain of