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Smithfield Monthly Meeting on Ministry
& Oversight endorsed by Short Creek
Quarterly Meeting. Ohio.

Also Jane W. Bartlett an Elder,
companion to Anna B Crawford.
Emma F Wallam an Elder, companion
to her husband Hiram S Wallam.

The presence of these dear Friends & others
without minutes is very welcome to
us; the Clerks were directed to forward
their minutes to the Yearly Meeting.
Reports from our Quarterly Meetings were
read and considered & the following is
the answers sent up to query 5.

Richard Henry Thomas of Baltimore M.
a minister, died 10th Month 3^d 1904 in
the 51st year of his age.

Augusta L. Watkins an Overseer in Cutaw
Street Meeting Baltimore, died 12th mo 18th 1903.

Joseph H. Jewett, an Overseer in Lincoln
Meeting, died 11th Month 11th 1903 in the 83^d
year of his age.

Thomas Elwood Miller an Elder in
Dunnings Creek Monthly Meeting, died 8th Mo

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7th 1904 in the 78th year of his age.

Zachariah McNaul an Elder in Curwensville
Monthly Meeting, died 12th Month 17th 1903

Joseph Harrison a minister in Curwensville
Monthly Meeting, died at his home in Windber
Pa 6th Month 26th 1904.

William P. Johnson has been appointed an
Elder by Curwensville Monthly Meeting.

the meeting adjourned to 3^d day afternoon
the 13th at 3 o'clock.

Third day afternoon 11th Month 15th Friends
met at the time adjourned to.

The Clerks presented a draught of a minute
of advise, based upon the exercises in our
last meeting, with some alterations it
was approved and directed to be laid
before the Yearly Meeting and then sent
down to our subordinate Meetings on
Ministry & Oversight: it is as follows.

We have been reminded, that in order to meet our responsibilities
as ministers, elders, and overseers, we must be anointed and equipped
with power from on high.

There is a priceless blessing in feeding the flock of God, but we are
unable to meet the requirements for this service in our own strength.
Let us see to it, therefore, that we have the filling of the Spirit, and
place ourselves in the hands of the Lord, that He may use us in help-
ing others.

The reason of the weakness in many of our Meetings is unfaithful-
ness on the part of the congregation. We should be careful not to
rely too much to the acknowledged minister for the exercise of the
meeting, but remember we are all called into service.

We say "we must wait for the moving of the Holy Spirit": if we
have the Spirit, we will have the call to service, in some way.

Every child of God ought to go to meeting with a definite object in
view. Each should have a deep concern for the good of the meeting,
and pray for vocal service, as the Spirit leads. Let us realize we all
have a part. We have nothing to substitute for the story of the Cross.
It was a revelation of Christ that arrested Paul, and gave to us St.
Augustine. May we so see that vision, that others may catch the
glory reflected in our lives.

We have had encouraging reports from most of our Meetings. Yet
there is a danger of seeing the encouraging side only. Realizing the
losses we have sustained, let us see that as members of this body, we
are supplying the needs of our Meetings. It is a blessed thing to
have the Macedonian Cry, it shows a realization of a need, and to
those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, the promise is "they
shall be filled." We believe there are many consecrated members in
our Meetings. But are we consecrated as Christ was—to the glory of
May our motives, our lives—all that we have and are, be given to