

At Baltimore Monthly Meeting of Friends for the Eastern and Western Districts held 9th mo 6th 1888 the meeting assembled in joint session with Women Friends.

Three men overseers present.

The Committee appointed at a former meeting to prepare a memorial of our late beloved friend Mary Whitall Thomas presented the following which was read and fully approved and referred to the Committee for a few alterations and directed to be forwarded to our next Quarterly Meeting.

Memorial of Mary Whitall Thomas

Mary Whitall Thomas, the youngest daughter of John M. and Mary Whitall of Philadelphia was born in 1836. Her parents were earnest characters of marked intellectual and spiritual activity and their children were brought up in uncompromising fidelity to duty and trust in the Lord Jesus Christ. She received her school training at the well known school of Mary Anna Longstreth, and grew up with high ideals of life and with an earnest desire to be a thorough Christian.

She was married to Dr. James Carey Thomas of

Baltimore in 1855 and became a member of this Monthly Meeting. She was only nineteen years of age, of great personal beauty and mental attractions and was then as always afterwards surrounded by both many admiring and appreciative friends.

Soon after her marriage, through the ministry of her husband's father, the late Dr. Richard H. Thomas, her long felt desire was realized and she was enabled to claim for herself pardon and reconciliation to God through the Lord Jesus Christ. Although at that time it was not usual among Friends to speak much of personal experience yet with the enthusiasm and loving sympathy for others that were such marked characteristics of her life, she at once began to tell her friends what great things the Lord had done for her, and her example and words are known to have influenced many to accept the same salvation.

She greatly enjoyed the privilege of the clear and earnest Gospel Ministry that was heard in our meeting; it met the witness of the Spirit in her own heart, and she became at once