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## CHAIRMAN'S LETTER

Dear Friends

We now exist - officially! The inaugural meeting of the Quaker Family History Society was held last Saturday (June 11th) at Friends House. There were 39 of us - which is a very good proportion of the membership - and we began the meeting by each declaring which Quaker families we are researching. For some people this was the most interesting part of the day: it threw up four people descended from the Binns, two with King ancestry, two descended from the Sturges, and a number of others whose ancestors were at the same Meeting or who were laterally connected. The Gurneys, Frys and Barclays were also mentioned, and one member's ancestors intermarried with Quaker Gandys of Manchester who were unfortunately, not related to my Quaker Gandys of Frandle, Cheshire.

Margaret Bennett began the formal part of the meeting by describing how she single-handedly convinced (I originally wrote railroaded) a number of us to start a Society, and how we soon became as enthusiastic as she was and felt that things had got off to a very good start already. From the Chair I then invited Richard Moore, former Chairman of the Federation of Family History Societies (FFHS), to guide us through the intricacies of the proposed Constitution. This was drawn up some years ago by the late Stan Marker and is not only acceptable to the FFHS (which we propose to join as soon as we qualify), but to the Inland Revenue (for the possible covenanting of subscriptions) and to the Charity Commissioners (in case we ever want to go down that road). Under his experienced direction and with the advice of Chris Pitt Lewis, a solicitor, we soon came to consensus over the details of such things as quorums (quora?) and dates for the AGM, and there was plenty of time to elect a Committee and also to agree the names of various people who are perfectly willing to do the work but don't want to be on the committee. We purposely left one committee place empty.

Full names and details of the officers and committee are inside the front cover, but essentially Michael Gandy was elected Chairman, Debby Rose is Secretary, and Irene Davies is Treasurer. The rest of the committee consists of Margaret Bennett, Margaret Gaynor, Mary Dyne, Richard Moore, Chris Pitt Lewis and Ernest Hambley. Margaret Gaynor is going to be Vice-Chairman, and Richard Moore has taken on special responsibility for publicity.

There are four non-committee people. Norma Neill and Katherine Slay are going to produce the magazine between them. Katherine Slay is also going to look after membership (subscriptions, renewals, changes of address etc). Edward Crawford is going to build up the file of Members' Interests, and Richard Goring is going to turn any handwritten trees we get into neat, computer-printed ones. He and Irene Davies are also going to look at the two big files of replies that we received from Archives Repositories when we wrote round asking about their Quaker

holdings. Some have sent summaries (and some of course haven't got any), but some have sent reams of material which is useful but will need drastic editing before we can publish.

After a lunch time spent chatting and browsing in the bookshop, we settled down for Malcolm Thomas's talk on the basic resources of Friends House Library, followed by a guided tour. Malcolm has worked there for twenty years and has been a great support to us. Some members had not visited the Library before, and everyone was glad to pick an expert's brains. After tea we drifted out into the sun to see how the world had wasted its day when we had used ours so usefully and so pleasantly.

Michael Gandy

## EVENTS

### Conference

Our first one day conference is on Saturday 17th September 1994 at Frenchay Meeting House on the outskirts of Bristol. This is being held jointly with the South Western Regional Group of the Friends Historical Society. Frenchay Monthly Meeting covered the south western corner of Gloucestershire, and adjoined Bristol Monthly Meeting until the two merged in 1870. Many prominent 'Bristol Friends' are found in Frenchay records, as they lived in Clifton, not then a part of Bristol.

The conference will cover the background of the area, the coming of Quakerism, and the life of the Monthly Meeting with special reference to four families, STURGE, GAYNOR, PLAYER and HUNT who were farmers round ALMONSDBURY. This will be followed by a tour of the farms and meeting houses that survive. Please return the enclosed slip with the fee by 7th August if you wish to attend.

## EDITORIAL NOTE

In order to encourage the spread of information between members, contributors' names and addresses, but not telephone numbers, will be published at the end of their article or enquiry, unless specifically desired anonymity is requested in writing.

It is hoped to publish family trees, but in certain cases, some received have had to be rejected because the names and information have been printed too small. The magazine is formatted on A4 paper which is then reduced, and small print becomes unreadable. Such unpublished trees will, of course, be kept on file for consultation.

If you wish to send in copy, typed or from a PC, please use no more than 56 lines, to leave room for page numbering, and use A4 size paper. Ideally we would like the type to be 10 characters per

inch, but would accept 12 if you have no alternative. A centred heading, preferably in bold type, is essential, as are your name and address at the end. If you include a list of names, we would appreciate these being in alphabetical order (by surname), since this makes it much easier for readers to check for names they are interested in. This would be very helpful to me as technical editor, and Katherine Slay who inputs the magazine. Hand-written articles are also acceptable, of course, but we would appreciate names and places in capital letters.

Norma Neill

#### NOTE FROM THE MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Do you know anyone who might be interested in becoming a member of the QFHS? Back copies of the magazine are available at £1 each (including p&p) for you to send to potential members. Send a cheque payable to QFHS to Michael Gandy, 3 Church Crescent, Whetstone, London N20 0JR.

#### OURS IS A BIG WORLD!

Members who are Friends may not be aware of the very many local family history societies which cater for all aspects of tracing a family history, while we cater for the specialist Quaker angle. If you would like to attend your local family history society, you should be able to get the address of the Secretary or details of their meetings (probably monthly) from your nearest Local Studies Library. If all else fails, give Michael Gandy a ring on 031 368 1146, and he will give you the name and address of the Secretary of your nearest society. You will find the people there friendly and helpful - amateurs with just a bit more experience than you - and the bookstall should be full of interesting and informative booklets.

#### PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

The following are available from Michael Gandy, 3 Church Crescent, Whetstone, London N20 0JR:

1. Sources for the History of English Non-Conformity 1560-1830 - Michael Mullet. Price £7 UK, £7.50 overseas.
2. Banbury, Oxfordshire: transcript of the Quaker registers (2 microfiche). Price £1.70 UK, £2.10 overseas.
3. Witney, Oxfordshire: transcript of the Quaker registers (1 microfiche). Price £1.20 UK, £1.60 overseas.

Both 2 and 3 are published by Oxfordshire Family History Society.

## WHO KNOWS WHAT? - Part 2

Michael Gandy

Name of Meeting **Bexleyheath Meeting.**

Histories None.

Correspondent Brian Rodmell, 22 Alderney Road, Slade Green, Erith, Kent DA8 2JD.

Families Researched None.

Additional Material Began as Dartford Meeting, moved to Bexleyheath in the 1960s.

Name of Meeting **Blackburn PM.**

Histories A history of the Meeting has been written, but no further details given.

Correspondent None.

Families Researched None.

Name of Meeting **Cotteridge PM, Warwickshire.**

Histories None at present.

Correspondent Mollie Grubb, 3 Oak Tree House, 153 Oak Tree Lane, Bournville, Birmingham B30 1TU.

Families Researched Research on the GRUBB family by Mollie Grubb to 1850. 'The GRUBBs of Tipperary' by C. Watkins Grubb.

Additional Material Mollie Grubb is hoping to research and explore publicising the history of the Meeting.

Name of Meeting **Dorchester.**

Histories 'The Story of Early Dorchester Quakers and their Meeting House' by Jim Attfield.

Correspondent Jim Attfield, 4 The Gables, 9 Albert Road, Dorchester, Dorset DT1 1SG.

Families Researched None.

Additional Material Much information including births, marriages and burials of early Dorset Quakers in the County Record Office, Dorchester.

Name of Meeting **Exeter PM.**

Histories 'A History of Friends in Devon' by R(?). Dymond.

Correspondent Christopher Holdsworth, 3 Pennsylvania Park, Exeter, Devon EX4 6HB. N.B. Willing to share limited knowledge of Quaker history locally, but is really a mediator.

Families Researched At present, research student John Slate is completing a Ph.D. on the 17th century history of the Meeting.

Additional Material Christopher Holdsworth has recommended the Friends Historical Society publications, particularly the 'Notes' section which he feels would be of great use to our members.

Name of Meeting <sup>FRANDLEY</sup> **Frاندley PM, Bristol.**

Histories 'A History of <sup>FRANDLEY</sup> ~~Frاندley~~ Meeting' published 1970, reprint 1983.

Correspondent Roger Angerson, clerk (no address given).

Families Researched CHAMPION, CHARLTON, FRY, GAYNOR, STURGES, TUCKOTT. No further details other than names provided.

Name of Meeting **Gloucester PM.**

Histories None.

Correspondent None.

Families Researched Papers of the NUNN family and letters of John BELLOWS published by Kegan, Paul, Trubner & Co, 1904.

Name of Meeting **Kendal PM.**

Histories Appears in 'Quaker Meeting Houses of the Lake Counties' published 1978.

Correspondent None.

Families Researched 'Isaac and Rachel WILSON, Quakers of Kendal 1714-1785' by John Somervell, Swarthmore Press 1924. 'Some Westmorland Wills' by John Somervell.

Additional Material Records in the County Record Office, Kendal, include photographic pedigree of the descendants of Isaac and Rachel WILSON, and the biography of Anne BRAITHWAITE.



Name of Meeting    **Leeds**

Histories    'Leeds Quaker Meeting' by Wilfred Allott, published by the Thoresby Society, 50 (Misc 14) 1966. 'Leeds Friends Minute Book, 1692-1712' edited by Jean & Russell Mortimer, Y.A.S. Record Series vol. 139, 1980, includes notes on people mentioned in the text. (See 'Bookshelf' at the end of this magazine). 'Quakers in Gildersome, Leeds', published by the author. Price £5, obtainable from 60 Gledhow Wood Grove, Leeds LS8 1PA. Thoresby Society publication, 2nd series, vol. 1 (Misc) 1991 by Jean & Russell includes pp1-33 A list of boarders at Joseph Tatham's School, Leeds, 1765-1790. Also pp35-57 Thoresby's 'poor deluded Quakers', the sufferings of Leeds Friends in the 17th century.

Correspondent    Jean & Russell Mortimer, 60 Gledhow Wood Grove, Leeds LS8 1PA. Note the conditions in the postscript to the article 'From Robert Arthington to Zachary Yewdall' in this issue.

Families Researched    A biographical index is under way.

Additional Material    Yorkshire General Meeting Archives, records of Quarterly Meetings, and records of Brighouse, Knaresborough, Leeds, Settle, Thirsk and York MM are deposited at the Brotherton Library (Special Collections), University of Leeds LS2 9JT.

Name of Meeting    **Llandrindod Wells PM.**

Histories    No published history, but photocopies of two talks:  
1. Early Quakers in Mid Wales.  
2. Evangelical Friends in Radnorshire in the late 19th Century.

Correspondent    Trevor Macpherson, 17 Orchard Gardens, Ithon Road, Llandrindod Wells, Powys LD1 6BA.

Families Researched    The Meeting has 'A Brief History of John Owen JENKINS, 1856-1944', and 'The Diary of a Countryman, Thomas WATKINS' 1900.

Additional Material    Trevor Macpherson plans to produce a list of births, marriages and burials of Pales Meeting.

Name of Meeting    **Rye PM.**

Histories    None.

Correspondent    None.

Families Researched    None.

Additional Material    Restarted in 1954 and attached to Hastings Meeting. Original Meeting House now part of Jeakes House, Mermaid Street, Rye. All records at County Record Office, Lewes.

Name of Meeting    **Seaford PM.**

Histories    None.

Correspondent    None.

Families Researched    None.

Additional Material    Minute Meeting, only recently established, formerly under Lewes.

Name of Meeting    **Southall.**

Histories    An article in 'Quaker Monthly', September 1989.

Correspondent    None.

Families Researched    Personal research on the GRUBB family by Martyn Grubb, 22 Hillside Road, Southall, Middlesex UB1 2PD.

Name of Meeting    **Sutton PM.**

Histories    'Outline History of Sutton Meeting' (from inception in 1932) by G. Gordon Steel, obtainable from him, cost £5.

Correspondent    G. Gordon Steel, 2 Hill Road, Carshalton, Surrey SM5 3RA.

Families Researched    None.

#### THE BEGINNING OF OUR LIBRARY

A number of Meetings or Members have been kind enough to donate booklets as follows:

EDGBASTON Friends Meeting House: 100 Years of Quaker Worship in George Road - Katharine Doley, 1993.

HAMMERSMITH Tercentenary 1677-1977 - H. William Cundy, 1978.

HESWALL Friends - John Noble, 1978.

The Living Stones of SKIPTON Quaker Meeting (1693-1993) - Richard Harland, 1993.

Glimpses of WESTMINSTER Meeting 1655-1956 - Doris and Douglas Lee, 1983.

WOLVERHAMPTON Quakers 1704-1988 - Clement Jones, Hilary Clark and Eric Turner, 1989.

We should be grateful for any more donations, and if members know of Quaker material for sale we shall be glad to publish details (please include details of postage and contact address).

## DORCHESTER QUAKERS 1656-1739

Entries relating to Dorchester in the copies of the registers of births, marriages and deaths in the County Record Office.

### Births

1673 Elizabeth BEDLOE to Samuel and Dorothy  
1676 Samuel BEDLOE to Samuel and Dorothy  
1678 Dorothy BEDLOE to Samuel and Dorothy  
1683 Rebecca BEDLOE to Samuel and Dorothy  
1685 Samuel BEDLOE to Samuel and Dorothy  
1691 Joseph BEDLOE to Samuel and Joan  
1692 Mary BEDLOE to Samuel and Joan  
1694 Joseph BEDLOE to Samuel and Joan  
1700 Benjamin BEDLOE to Samuel and Joan  
1659 John BEERE to Barthol' and Sarah  
1656 John BROWN to Erasmus and Alice  
1659 Bartholmew BROWN to Erasmus and Alice  
1670 Elizabeth BYLES to William and Joanna  
1671 William BYLES to William and Joanna  
1673 George BYLES to William and Joanna  
1675 Joanna BYLES to William and Joanna  
1678 John BYLES to William and Joanna  
1682 Jane CLEWER to John and Elizabeth  
1668 Richard HOW to Richard and Cassandra  
1702 Ann HOW to Richard and Anna  
1704 Richard HOW to Richard and Anna  
1657 John NICHOLLS to Elias and Hannah  
1660 Elias NICHOLLS to Elias and Hannah  
1690 John PAINTER to Daniel and Eliz'  
1718 Hannah SEYMER to James and Mary  
1735 Martha THEDDAM to Robert and Mary  
1736 James Norman THEDDAM to Robert and Mary

### Marriages

1714 John AUGER of Somerset to Mary JELLETT at Dorchester  
1705 Thomas CARTER of Charminster to Edith BEDLOE, daughter of Samuel and Joan, at Charminster  
1705 John GALPIN of Marnhull to Elizabeth BEDLOE, daughter of Samuel and Joan, at Dorchester  
1706 William HERBERT to Sarah BEERE at Dorchester  
1700 Richard HOW to Anna SEYMER of Sherborne, at Sherborne

### Record of Burials at Dorchester Meeting House

30.2.1721 Moses BEDLOE jun. of Fordington  
7.6.1726 Samuel BEDLOE sen. of Dorchester  
1727 Joan BEDLOE widow of Samuel  
22.4.1722 Benjamin CHAPPLE of Charminster  
6.7.1722 Sarah DYETT of Purbeck, wife of Thomas, died at Fordington

31. 1.1715 Richard HOW of Dorchester. 'Was the first burial'.  
 29. 2.1730 Ralph NORMAN of Charminster  
 12.12.1739 Mary NORMAN wife of James sen.

Names of witnesses at the wedding of William HERBERT and Sarah  
 BEERE in 1706

|                  |                   |                  |
|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Anne ANER        | Thomas DOWELL     | Margatt JEWELL   |
| Jon ? ANER       | John ELLIS        | Martha JEWELL    |
| Ben BEDLOE       | Katherine FAXBERY | Grace KENYON     |
| Joan BEDLOE      | William GALT      | Mary LODER       |
| Moses BEDLOE     | Elizabeth GALPIN  | Ann MYNNE        |
| Samuel BEDLOE    | George GOULD      | Mary NIGHTINGALE |
| Sarah BENNETT    | Sarah GREEN       | James NORMAN     |
| Frances BROWNE   | Harvey HANELLAND  | Mary NORMAN      |
| Frances CHANNING | Mary HERBERT      | ye mark of       |
| Ben CHAPPLE      | William HERBERT   | Ralph NORMAN     |
| the mark of      | Anna HOW          | Rachel WILKINS   |
| Elvi DOWELL      | Richard HOW       |                  |

Members present at the Meeting at Cerne in 1688

|                |                  |                  |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Thomas BAGG    | George HARRIS    | Henry SNITTING   |
| Joseph COAKE   | Anthony HOLLIOGE | Joseph SPELLING  |
| Roger CORSARD  | John IMMORY      | John STOTT       |
| Samuel CURTIS  | Corsard RUTTER   | Francis WILLIAMS |
| Peter EABOR    | Thomas SKINYT    | Richard WILLIAMS |
| William FERRIS | Humphrey SMITH   | Thomas WOODRONE  |

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JOHN BANKS (1637-1710)

John Banks is one of my 7x great grandparents. He became a Quaker from the age of 16, i.e. in about 1653, so he was in the movement almost from its beginning. Many Friends, especially those who were esteemed as 'weighty' and spiritual, and natural leaders of the movement had 'testimonies to the grace of God' in their lives written about them after their decease. John Banks had such appreciations written, and these were published together with a personal memoir he himself had written, and copies of some of his letters. Thus it is possible to find out quite a lot about such a distant ancestor. The chapter written by his second wife dwells a lot on his last days, the pain in his bowels etc, which I will pass over here! However, John is also very good at giving dates of many key events in his life. Note that he uses the robust term 'steeple-house' beloved by early Friends for a church. The reasoning was that a church was not really the building, but it was the worshipping people who formed the church. Quakers also used the terms First month, First day etc, as they didn't want to be associated with pagan names.

He writes: "I came of honest parents; my father's name was William, and my mother's name was Emme; I was their only child, born in Sunderland, in the parish of Issell, in the County of Cumberland; and my father having no real estate of his own, took land to farm; and by trade was a fellmonger and glover.....

"And though my parents had not much of this world's riches... They brought me up well... and were careful to restrain me from such evils as children and youth are apt to run into; and especially my dear mother, being a zealous woman...

"I was put to school when I was seven years of age, and kept there until I was fourteen; in which time I learned well, both English and Latin, and could write well..."

At the age of 14 his father took him from school and put him to 'teach school' for a year at Dissington. After that he taught at Fosser Chaple near Pardshaw. This job seems to have been combined with being a lay reader (rather young for such a job, I would think!) in a 'chapel of ease' - an outlying chapel, in a large parish, not the main parish church. He was reluctant to do this, but his father and others seem to have won the day. He writes: "For which service my wages from the people was to be 12 pence every house, of them that came there to hear me, by the year, and a fleece of wool, and my table free, besides 12 pence a quarter for every scholar, being 24. This chapel is called a chapel of ease, the parish steeple-house being some miles off."

John Fletcher, who according to John Banks was 'a great scholar but a drunken sottish man' complimented him in general terms, but said that his prayers in the chapel should be made in a more formal style and he would give him some tips. So John Banks received a letter from him with the details. However, my ancestor took exception to this as he was already beginning to see things the way that Quakers at that time viewed spiritual matters - 'that the letter killeth but the spirit giveth life'. He then had the conviction that he should 'go to the meeting of the people in scorn called Quakers, for they are the people of God: and so I did the next First-day after.'

He continues: 'And this being before the end of the year, that I was to receive wages of the people for such service as I did, I could take none of them, being convinced of the evil thereof; nor never read any more at the chapel.'

In the next paragraph he says he was 16 years and 4 months, in the Tenth month, 1654, when his spiritual conversion occurred, and then for the next few pages of his memoir he relates the spiritual stresses he went through. After about six years he says his spiritual problems seem to have been resolved.

When the book about John Banks was published, Friends had already become very respectable and were for the most part becoming extremely prosperous citizens. In fact for the last 25 years of his life, from 1685, he would not have been harrassed by the law. In the early days Quakers in general were perceived - quite wrongly as it turned out - as a threat to the State, and so they were

harrassed at every turn, not only for refusing to pay the church tithes but also for just holding their meetings. He describes in some detail the numerous imprisonments he endured. Here is one such occasion he describes:

"I being at a meeting of Friends upon the Howhill, near Coldbeck, in Cumberland, whereunto came George Fletcher of Hutton Hall [another Fletcher not to be confused with John Fletcher mentioned before] a justice of the peace, so called, who came into the meeting rude and unmannerly, riding among Friends, they sitting upon the ground, and trod with his horse feet upon a woman's gown that was big with child, a woman of note, and well bred...; and I was moved of the Lord, to kneel down to prayer, at the head of his horse; and as a wicked persecutor of God's people, as he always was, he struck me bitterly over my head and face with his horse-whip; but when he saw he could not move me, he called to his man... to take me away; [he]... came in great fury, and took me by the hair of my head, and drew me down the hill, but I got upon my feet, and said to his master, "Dost thou pretend to be a justice of peace, and breaks the peace; and disturbs, persecutes and abuses God's peaceable people, and sets on thy servant so to do." He said we should know he was a justice of peace before he had done with us. Could no place serve to meet in, but under his nose? though it was a great distance from his dwelling, upon the common."

So Fletcher committed him and three other Quakers to "the common goal" [sic] at Carlisle. He was fined £5, the court distraining a cow and a horse to the value of £6 10s belonging to his father, as he was living with his parents at the time. He was kept in prison some weeks as well. The gaoler, George Martin, a wicked hard-hearted man, he says, put them in the common gaol, several days and nights, without food or water. The only place they could sleep was on the very broad window sill (the walls were very thick). He wouldn't even allow their friends to bring in straw bedding. All this was done because the gaoler had hoped to be paid for providing them with meals, 8d a time. However, when he realised that they couldn't and wouldn't pay, he did put them into a room in his own house. It seems to have been a superior type of jail. There were other Friend prisoners who were already in there for non-payment of tithes.

He obligingly gives details about his marriage to Anne Littledale. He writes: "And then, upon the 26th day of the Sixth month, 1664, I took a friend, by name Ann LITLEDAL, to wife, in a public' meeting of God's people (in scorn called Quakers) in a Friend house in Pardshaw town, before many witnesses, as having freedom and liberty in the Lord so to do."

"And about four years after I was married, the Lord called me forth to travel in the work of the ministry, and I was made truly willing to leave and forsake all, in answer to his requirings; and I was to go into the South and West of England; yea I was made truly willing to leave my dear wife and sweet child, though near and dear unto me, and so went forth in the power and Spirit of the Lord..."

The Journal continues with more descriptions of the spiritual life, and about his numerous journeys up and down the country and also in Ireland 'publishing the Truth' and with letters to his family.

He describes an incident of faith healing. "About this time a pain struck into my shoulder which gradually fell down into my arm and hand, so that the use thereof I was wholly deprived of; and not only so, but my pain greatly increased both day and night; and for three months I could neither put my clothes on nor off myself, and my arm and hand began to wither, so that I did seek ... physicians for cure, but no cure could I get by any of them, until at last, as I was asleep on my bed, in the night time, I saw in a vision, that I was with dear George Fox, and I thought I said unto him, George, my faith is such, that if thou seest it thy way to lay thy hand upon my shoulder, my arm and hand shall be whole throughout."

He writes that after two days he did decide to go to Swarthmore where George Fox was staying. He spoke with him describing the problem. Then GF put his hand on his shoulder and said, "The Lord strengthen thee both within and without". Then John Banks says they went their separate ways. That night he went to Thomas Lower's of Marsh Grange. At supper he suddenly discovered that he could use his arm quite normally, with its former strength, and with no pain. He then writes, "The next time GF and I met he ... said, 'John, thou mended, thou mended.' I answered, 'Yes very well in a little time.' 'Well,' said he, 'give God the glory.'"

He was very fond of Anne his wife who bore him many children. He says they lived comfortably together for many years, and she was a careful industrious woman in bringing up her children in 'good order' as he says; a 'meet-help and a good support to him' despite all the many travels he made. She was well-beloved amongst good friends, he writes, as witness the several hundred that were at her burial.

As was customary, her last days were described in some detail. He does say, though, that at the very time their eldest daughter was delivered of a son - some 200 miles away - Anne asked that her son John should go to the post office for she believed that a letter had come telling of her daughter's safe delivery. Indeed such a letter had come, and although she was very weak, when it was read to her she said, 'Has the Lord been pleased that I should live to be a grandmother.'

John Banks says that she died the second day of the 10th month 1691, and was buried the Fourth day after in the burying place of Friends at Eglesfield in Cumberland.

Hannah Banks, his second wife who outlived him, was married to him on 28th of the 8th month 1696. She says that she was a widow and 'was convinced of God's Truth' (i.e. joined the Quakers) during her widowhood before her marriage to John.

Four children, together with the husbands of two daughters, signed the chapter written about him. They were Sarah and John WARNER, William BANKS, Ann and Stephen SCOTTON, and Mary WILKINSON.

I have quite a number of other Quaker ancestors, and I would really like to know more of Dorothy PAYNE who died in gaol, but alas there is only one sentence about her. As for my COLLINS Quaker ancestors, their misdeeds make for quite racy reading in the Monthly Meeting minutes for Northamptonshire in the 1740s, but they will have to wait for another time!

#### Reference

Journal of the Life, Labours, Travels, and Sufferings in, and for, the Gospel, of that ancient Servant, and Faithful Minister of Jesus Christ, John Banks. Second edition, London, James Philips, 1798 (with several testimonies concerning him).

Note: the first edition which contained the above and with his collected works was published in 1712.

Liz Longhurst

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### ANCESTRAL QUAKER LINEAGE

GOODBODY Well-known Irish family. John Goodbody became a Friend c.1660, and settled with other Quakers at Mountmellick, Queen's Co. The family now comprises branches in Ireland, England, the United States and Canada, and has approximately 500 living members. A few are still Quakers. Meetings principally attended by the family were Mountmellick, Dublin, Clara, Monkstown, Bristol and Plymouth. The Goodbodys built their fortunes on flour milling but subsequently branched out into many other areas of industry and commerce, including tobacco, jute manufacturing, catering and stockbroking. Through marriage there are relationships with most other Irish Quaker families. (Ref: 'The Goodbody Family of Ireland' by M.I.A. Goodbody, 1981).

GRUBB Descended from John Grubb of Northamptonshire. He settled in Waterford and became a Quaker c.1660. The family remained Friends until the present century, attending Clonmel meeting. The Grubbs are an extensive family, now mainly in England. (Ref: 'The Grubbs of Tipperary' by Geoffrey Watkins Grubb).

PERRY Descended from Henry Perry of Shanderry, Queen's Co., born 1768. Became a Quaker, and the family were still Quakers in 1900. Involved in milling and brewing in the Irish Midlands. Attended Mountrath meeting.

PIM A well-known Irish family with extensive business interests in the 19th century. Descended from Richard Pim who went to Ireland c.1655 and settled in Co. Cavan where he became 'convinced' by William Edmundson. He moved to Mountmellick where the family remain to this day. Attended Mountmellick, Mountrath and Monkstown meetings. The Pims are intermarried with most other Irish Quaker families. (Ref: 'A Pim Genealogy' by F. Bewley Pim).



RICHARDSON (Lisburn). Descended from Jonathan Richardson of Loughgall, Co. Armagh. His will was proved in 1691. He probably became a Quaker. The family had large linen mills in the Lisburn area until the present century when they ceased to be Friends. John G. Richardson founded the model village of Bessbrook. (Ref: 'The Richardson Story' by Ethel M. Richardson).

#### OTHER FAMILIES IN LINEAGE (All Quakers originally)

Barcroft, Bewley, Chandlee, Clibborn, Davis (Wexford), Evans, Eves, Fennell, Greer, Gribble, Handy, Hogg, Hoope, Jackson, Lecky, Manliffe, Medcalf, Neale, Newsom, Nicholson, Phelps, Poole, Robinson (Cuthberston), Sparrow, Thompson, Turner, Walker, Watson, Webb, Woodcock, Wyly,

BOOKS RECOMMENDED 'Short History of the Irish Quakers' by Maurice Wigham (pub. Friends Library, Dublin, 1922). 'The Goodbody Family' by Michael I.A. Goodbody (copies held by Michael Gandy, the Society of Genealogists, and Friends House Library).

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#### OTHER FOXES

It is very difficult to know what to write about first - my father's paternal family were from the south west, and had been traditional Quakers ever since George Fox (no relation) travelled that way spreading the Truth. All the families marrying into our family were also Quakers, and so there are great tapestries of Quaker family trees weaving in and out of each other as families inter-married time and time again. It might be useful just to show how the Fox family split into its different branches throughout Cornwall, Devon and Somerset.

|                |    |                  |
|----------------|----|------------------|
| Francis FOX    | m. | Dorothy KEKEWICH |
| d. 1670        |    | d. 1693          |
| of St Germans, |    |                  |
| Cornwall       |    |                  |

|               |    |                   |
|---------------|----|-------------------|
| Francis FOX   | m. | Tabitha CROKER    |
| 1647-1704     |    | 1664-1730         |
| of St Germans |    | of Lineham, Devon |

|            |
|------------|
| George FOX |
| of Par     |
| m.         |

- (1) 1719 Mary, daughter of  
Edward BEALING, merchant  
of Penrhyn, Cornwall

- (2) 1726 Anna, daughter of  
Philip DEBELL of Looe,  
Cornwall

Foxes of:

Foxes of:

Kingsbridge, Wadebridge,  
Wellington and Exeter

Falmouth, Brislington,  
Plymouth and Gloucester

It can get very confusing with cousins intermarrying - I am descended from both the Wadebridge/Wellington branch, and that of Falmouth; and two sisters in another related Quaker family are both my 4x great grandmothers!

This is a list of names of families with whom the Wellington Foxes married:

ALEXANDER of Ipswich  
CHARLETON of Bristol  
CREWDSON of Kendal  
FOX of Falmouth  
FOX of Torquay  
HINGSTON of Plymouth  
HOWARD of Tottenham

HOYLAND  
MIDDLETON of Wellingborough, Northants  
SANDERSON of Tottenham, Middlesex  
SMITH of Stamford Hill, Middlesex  
TUCKETT of Frenchay, near Bristol  
WAKEFIELD of Kendal  
WERE of Wellington, Somerset

The Wellington Foxes inherited the woollen manufacturing business in Wellington from the WERE family.

This list gives the families with whom the Falmouth Foxes married:

BACKHOUSE of Darlington  
BARCLAY of Bury Hill, Dorking  
FOWLER of Melksham  
GIBBINS  
HINGSTON

HUSTLER  
LLOYD of Birmingham  
TREGELLES  
WERE of Wellington  
YOUNG

The Falmouth Foxes were involved with shipping, and from those ships beautiful sub-tropical plants were collected and grown in their gardens (Glendurgan, Trebah, Penjerrick etc). Two diarists also sprang from this same family, a brother and sister: Caroline Fox and Robert Barclay Fox.

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### QUAKERS IN LEWES, EAST SUSSEX

#### People reported to be Quakers in 1663-1686

In the seventeenth century there was no formal membership system, so our knowledge of who was counted as a Quaker comes from Quaker Minute Books, and lists of people reported to the Bishop for non-attendance at church (NA), presence at a Conventicle (C), denounced by Grand Jury (GJ), or non-baptism of a child (NBp). The list below was extracted from 'Lewes Dissenters outside the Law' by Colin Brent, which shows only those reported to be Quakers in the records of other bodies. We are aware from other sources of many other people associated with the Meeting at that time.

Mary AKEHURST, widow (of Ralph, haberdasher, will 1666, bequeathed property at Hastings, boat at Brighton, and over £250). St Thomas, C 1675, NA 1675-83, sons Ralph, Thomas and Alexander, daughter Mary NA 1675.

Alexander AKEHURST, son of Mary, St Thomas, NA 1682.

Ralph AKEHURST, son of Mary, mercer and merchant, St Thomas, NA 1682-3, administration 1686 - £326 15s 6d.

Thomas AKEHURST, son of Mary, mercer, St Thomas, NA 1682-3.

Ralph and Thomas Akehurst imported cargoes of wine, flax, grain, pantiles, glasses, brandy and blacking through Newhaven.

Thomas BEARD, grocer, St Thomas, NA 1682-3.

William COLVILL, cordwainer, St Thomas, C 1675, married widow Elizabeth JAMES 1673, administration 1687 - £4 1s 9d.

John COOKE, yeoman, Southover, NA 1684-5, married to Mary, daughter of Ambrose Galloway, died 1682.

..... COSDEN, wife of Thomas, cordwainer, St John, NA 1664, C 1675.

Stephen EAGER, sawyer, St John, refused oath of allegiance 1664, C 1675, GJ 1685, NA 1676, will 1679, married to Jane, C 1676, NA 1676-86, daughter Sarah, son Stephen.

Stephen EAGER, joiner, St Michael, GJ 1685.

John ELLIS, mercer, St Thomas, freeholder, C 1675, NA 1675, died 1682, married to Susan, NA 1675.

Anne FRANKE, widow, St Thomas, NA 1684-5, witness to marriage of Mary Akehurst 1688.

Ambrose GALLOWAY, tailor, All Saints, NA 1670-86, C 1675, GJ 1684-5, will 1696, married to Elizabeth, NA 1670-76, C 1675, died 1683; daughter Elizabeth, NA 1670-76, C 1675, died 1679; daughter Mary, NA 1675, married John Cooke 1676; son Ambrose.

Ambrose GALLOWAY, merchant, All Saints, NA 1676-86, GJ 1685, married Ruth HOBBS 1679, died 1718. Ruth NA 1682-3.

Ambrose Galloway II imported many goods through Newhaven. He also exported cannon cast in the Weald. In 1677 Lewes Meeting considered the case of Walter NORMAN whose job at Maresfield was 'the Boring of Guns' and left the matter to his own 'conscience'. The Monthly Meeting minutes record the appointment of Friends to 'deal with' Ambrose Galloway, but he maintained that this was not inconsistent with his conscience.

Jane KIDDER, spinster, meeting house keeper, All Saints, C 1675, died 1702.

Benjamin MOSELEY, draper, St Thomas & St Michael, C 1675, NA 1675-86, GJ 1684-5, married Jane HOPKINS 1679, will 1708, bequeathed property in Hailsham and Newhaven and over £800, married Esther, NA 1683, brother Benjamin.

John PRIOR, weaver, St Thomas, C 1675, NA 1675.

Thomas ROBINSON, feltmaker, St Thomas, C 1675, NA 1683, married Elizabeth Shuter, died 1723, wife NA 1683.

John SHUTER, mercer, St John, NA 1670-1, will 1672, overseers Ambrose Galloway and Thomas Moseley, wife Elizabeth, NA 1670-5, C 1675; remarried to Thomas Robinson.

Richard STEPHENS, grocer, St Michael, NA 1683-4, GJ 1684-5, will 1694, wife Mary, NA 1684.

Joseph WALTER, shoemaker, St Thomas, NA 1675, wife NA 1675.

John WENHAM, tailor, Southover, will 1669, bequeathed land in Kingston.

#### Members of the Meeting 1818 and 1819

##### Male

William CHANTLER  
Burwood GODLEE  
John GODLEE  
Rickman GODLEE  
John GODLEE  
William MARTEN  
William Cruttenden MARTEN  
Frederic MARTEN  
John RICKMAN

Richard Peters RICKMAN  
George RICKMAN  
Nathaniel RICKMAN  
Edwin RICKMAN  
Samuel West RICKMAN  
Alexander RICKMAN  
David RICKMAN  
Charles STURT

##### Female

Margaret BAYNES  
Susannah CRUTTENDEN  
Mary CRUTTENDEN  
Mary GRANTHAM  
Mary GODLEE  
Mary Ann GODLEE  
Sarah GODLEE  
Rebecca GODLEE  
Lucy GODLEE  
Eliza JONES  
Jane MARTEN  
Mary MARTEN  
Lucy MARTEN  
Sarah RICKMAN

Sarah RICKMAN  
Rachel RICKMAN  
Matilda RICKMAN  
Benamina RICKMAN  
Priscilla RICKMAN  
Emily RICKMAN  
Lucy RICKMAN  
Christiana RICKMAN  
Sarah Horne RICKMAN  
Ann RICKMAN  
Mary RICKMAN  
Emma RICKMAN  
Mary RICKMAN

Note that of the 44 names listed, 9 are Godlee, 6 are Marten, and 22 are Rickman. The given names of Cruttenden and Rickman witness to the considerable degree of intermarriage between the families.

## Members and Attenders 1871

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Mary Albright ASHBY                                      | Leighside, Lewes                             |
| George CHAPMAN   | Ham Lane, Lewes                              |
| *Henry, *Sarah, *Frederick, *George                      |  |
| *Mary EVANS  | Meeting House Cottage, Friars Walk,<br>Lewes |
| Burwood GODLEE   | Leighside, Lewes                             |
| Priscilla GODLEE   |  |
| John HODGKIN   | Shelleys, Lewes                              |
| Elizabeth HODGKIN  |  |
| Wilfred Haughton, Ellen, Alfred, Ann, Howard, Alice Mary |  |
| Caleb R. KEMP  | Bedford Lodge, Lewes                         |
| Jane Morland KEMP  |  |
| John Clay LUCAS  | 169 High Street, Lewes                       |
| *Elizabeth NEWINGTON                                     | 221 High Street, Lewes                       |
| *Mary, *Frank, *George, *Horace, *Alice                  |  |
| Eliza PAYNE  | 6 East Street, Lewes                         |
| Richard Peters RICKMAN                                   | Spences, Lewes                               |
| Mary Hannah  |  |
| Rachel RICKMAN   | Wellingham, Lewes                            |
| Sarah Horne  |  |
| John RICKMAN   | Meadham, Lewes                               |
| Ellen RICKMAN  |  |
| Richard Peters, John Thornton                            |  |
| Charlotte Elizabeth SMITH                                | Green Bank, Rotten Row, Lewes                |
| Charlotte Josephine                                      |  |
| Rachel SMITH   | 101 High Street                              |
| Mary Ann SPECIALL  | 11 Priory Crescent                           |
| Caroline Deborah   |  |
| Rachel SPECIALL  | Watergate Lane, Lewes                        |
| Charles STURT  | East Hoathly, Hawkhurst                      |
| Mary TRUSTED   | Watergate Lane, Lewes                        |
| Catherine  |  |
| *Susan WALFORD   | 1 St Anne's Crescent, Lewes                  |
| Alice WYCHERLEY  | at Rachel Rickman's, Wellingham              |
| *Henry WYCHERLEY   | Wellingham, Lewes                            |
| *Alfred, *Eva  |  |

Indented names indicate children of the parent listed on the preceding line, while \* indicates attender or child not in membership.

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## SOME WESTMORLAND WILLS...

Family historians are usually well aware that Quaker records are excellent, but for many meetings records do not start until the 1660s or 1670s, whereas the communities may have been established in the early 1650s. During the early years there are no marriages, and therefore no simple way of establishing a woman's maiden name.

My own Quaker ancestry suffers from this: Edward and Margaret GANDY must have married in the 1650s or 60s, and almost certainly at the meeting at Frandley in central Cheshire which William Gandy had founded in 1652, but there are no records of them or their children in either the Anglican or surviving Quaker records. My ancestry would be uncertain at this point if their son Edward had not stated his parentage at the time of his own marriage.

However, early Quakers are very likely to have married other Quakers, and since the new converts were drawn largely from the class of tradespeople and small farmers, the percentage of them who left Wills is comparatively high. The Gandys may well be mentioned in the Will of Margaret's parents, or her brothers and sisters (some of whom may well have also been Quaker), but since I don't know the surname I have no easy way of checking those Wills.

If my Quaker ancestors were from Westmorland the problem might be solved. In Some Westmorland Wills, 1686-1738 (published Kendal 1927), John Somervell edited abstracts of a collection of Wills then in the possession of the Friends' meeting there. Each of the Wills is likely to mention not only widows and children, but nephews, nieces, business partners and just Friends, and to demonstrate firmly a whole network of relationships which could not be proved in any other way.

The names of the testators are as follows:

- 1720 Richard ATKINSON of Farleton
- 1700 William BENSON of Fold in Loughrigg, Grasmere
- 1707 Henry BIRKETT of Crook, shoemaker
- 1732 Richard BRAITHWAITE of Missett, Applethwaite, Windermere, yeoman
- 1721 Thomas BRAITHWAITE of Rosthwaite, Cartmell Fell and Hollinhow, Kendal, yeoman
- 1705 William BRAITHWAITE of Elterwater in Grassmere, taylor/yeoman
- 1720 Mary BURROW of High Houses, Lupton, Kirby Lonsdale, widow
- 1707 Thomas CAMM of Camsgill, Preston Patrick, Burton, yeoman
- 1719 Joseph CLARK of Thackmerhead, Lambrig, Kirby Kendal, yeoman
- 1700 Richard COLLINSON of Kirkland
- 1730 Anne CREWDSON of Crook, Kirby Kendal
- 1718 John CREWDSON of Stramondgate, Kendal, weaver
- 1730 Richard CREWDSON of Strammongate, Kendal, weaver
- 1707 Rowland CROSFIELD of Town End in Witherslack, yeoman
- 1712 John DICKINSON of Beckhouses, Grayrigge, yeoman
- 1735 Christopher DIXON of Beck-Houses, Grayrigge, Kirby Kendal,
- 1704 George DIXON of Heaning, Windermere
- 1698 Isaac DIXON of Heaning in Applethwaite, Windermere
- 1737 Jonathan DODGSON of Stricklandgate, Kendal, shearman dyer
- 1719 Henry DOVER of Haygarth, docker
- 1719 Thomas ELLWOOD of Strammangate, Kirby Kendal, stuff-weaver
- 1690 Thomas GARDNER OF Lambrigue, Kirkby Kendal
- 1719 Edmund GIBSON of Kirkland, grocer
- 1726 Benjamin GILPIN of Battman Tennement, Scelsmergh or Strickland Roger, Kendal, yeoman
- 1714 Rowland GLOVER of Preston Patrick, Burton
- 1701 Joseph GRIGG of Milthrop in Heversham, distiller

1703 James HARRISON of Sedgwick  
 1703 Richard HOLME in Kirkby Kendal  
 1718 John JACKSON of Shaw End, Patten, Kirby Kendal  
 1719 Bryan LANCASTER in Strammongate, Kirby Kendal, tanner  
 1725 Joshua LEIGHTON of Crook, Kirby Kendal  
 1717 Oliver LEIGHTON of Canyard Brow, Preston Patrick, Burton,  
     carpenter  
 1723 James LONSDALE of Sedgwick, yeoman  
 1703 Jennet LORRIMER of Sedgwick, widow  
 1711 John MANSEERGH of Stricklandgate, Kendal  
 1718 Thomas MOORE of Sunnybank, Grayrigge, Kendal, yeoman  
 1721 Jane MOSER of Crake, New Hutton, Kirby Kendal, widow  
 1694 William MUCKELD of Elfhow, Over Staveley  
 1708 Robert NEWBY of Strickland-gate, Kirkby Kendal, cordwainer  
 1701 John NICHOLSON of Thwaithbanke Whinfell, Kirkby Kendal  
 1729 Deborah PEARSON of Preston Patrick, Burton  
 1728 George PEARSON of Sedgwick, Heversham, yeoman  
 1701 John PEARSON of Powbank, Heversham  
 1737 Joseph PEARSON of Fellside, Crosthwaite, Heversham, yeoman  
 1714 Agnes PRESTON of Milthorpe, Heversham, widow  
 1700 Thomas PRESTON jr of Kirkland, joyner  
 1700 Thomas PRESTON of Milthorpe, husbandman  
 1707 Jonathan PRIESTMAN of Kirkby Kendall, stuff-weaver  
 1722 Edward RIGGE of Colwith, Little Langdale, Grasmere, miller  
 1719 Bryan ROBINSON of Staveley, Kendal, shearmen  
 1712 Thomas ROBINSON of Staveley, Kirkby Kendall  
 1699 John SHAW of Kirkland, shoemaker  
 1721 Richard SILL of Warth, Preston Patrick, Burton  
 1713 Elizabeth SIMPSON of Thursgill  
 1721 William SIMPSON of Blackett-Bottom, Grayrigg  
 1738 John SKYRIN of High Houses, Lupton, Kirkby Lonsdale, yeoman  
 1720 Richard SKYRIN of High Houses, Lupton  
 1712 John STORY of Camsgill, Preston Patrick, Burton, yeoman  
 1719 William STORY of Preston Patrick, Burton  
 1721 John SUTTON of Lupton, Kirby Lonsdale  
 1729 Richard THEXSTONE of Farlton, yeoman  
 1731 John THOMPSON of Crook, yeoman  
 1717 Mary THOMPSON of Crook, Kirby Kendal, spinster  
 1706 Robert THOMPSON of Crooke, Kirkby Kendal, yeoman  
 1686 Rowland THOMPSON of Milnholme, New Hutton  
 1731 Susan THOMPSON of Crook  
 1714 James WAKEFIELD of Gate/beck, Preston Patrick  
 1731 Roger WAKEFIELD of Kirkby Kendal, shear-man, dyer  
 1732 Joseph WALKER of Kirkby Kendal  
 1705 George WILLIAMSON of Bannerigge, Windermere, tanner  
 1721 Margaret WILLIAMSON of Common, Windermere, widow  
 1735 Thomas WILLIAMSON of Common, Applethwaite, Windermere, yeoman  
 1702 William WILLIAMSON of Common in Applethwaite, Windermere  
 1703 Anne WILSON of Kirkby Kendal, spinster  
 1709 Edward WILSON of Thackmoor head, Lambrigg, Kendal, yeoman  
 1707 James WILSON of Beckhouses, Grayrigg, Kirkby Kendal, yeoman  
 1700 Thomas WILSON of High-gate, Kendal, tanner  
 1719 Thomas WILSON of Strammangate, Kirby Kendal, tanner  
 1725 Thomas WILSON jr of Strammangate, Kendal, tanner  
 1734 William WILSON of Strammongate, Kendal, tanner  
 1729 Elizabeth WRIGHT of Sidgwick, Heversham, widow

AND SOME IRISH ONES. ..

A similar collection of 224 Wills held at the meeting House in Dublin was published in 1953 by P. Beryl Eustace and Olive C. Goodbody under the title Quaker Records Dublin: Abstracts of Wills (reprinted in 1992). This collection is of particular importance since the original Wills were mostly destroyed in 1922.

I should be most grateful if members would bring any similar collections to my attention. If there is none for the area YOU are interested in, it would make a fairly easy - but very valuable - project.

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### FROM ROBERT ARTHINGTON TO ZACHARY YEWDALL

#### or A Leeds Friends' Biographical Index

A card index (postcard size) of Leeds Friends from the beginnings up to about 1900 is in progress. At a rough estimate it now includes biographical information concerning something over 8,000 people who at one time or another were connected with Friends in the area now embraced in Leeds Monthly Meeting.

The index stems originally from a wish to make more information available concerning Friends who made their appearance in Wilfrid Allott's 'Leeds Quaker Meeting', published by the Thoresby Society (the Leeds local history society) in 1966.

The skeleton of the work is based, in the first instance, on the entries in the Digests of the Yorkshire Quarterly Meeting registers (up to 1837). From the Digests, entries have been extracted and put on cards for Friends resident in the old parish of Leeds, which included out townships like Hunslet, Wortley, Armley, Headingley and the rest, and for the surrounding district, including such places as Roundhay (in Barwick in Elmet parish), Harewood parish (in which lay East Keswick where there was a small burial ground), Rawdon (Guiseley parish), Churwell, Gildersome and Morley (in Batley parish), and Calverley.

Extraction of entries has not been entirely consistent, but the general rule has been to stop short at the line of the River Wharfe in the North (where York Monthly Meeting now begins), and to exclude towns now covered by the Brighouse MM as limited from 1924. Thus Wakefield does not come in (Pontefract MM), nor does Bradford (Brighouse MM), but Rawdon and Otley do (Knaresborough MM up to 1853; then Brighouse MM until the end of 1923; after which, Leeds MM).



Information from the Digests has been supplemented by reference to volumes in the Brighouse, Leeds and Settle MM archives from Carlton Hill Meeting House, Leeds, in particular the lists of members of Leeds Meeting. The first of these lists covers the period 1797-1810 for men (volume O 3), and up to 1813 for women (volume M 6). The gap for the next fifteen years is covered by the Brighouse MM list of members (from 1813 onwards). From 1829 the Leeds lists continue (including Gildersome) and the last which has been used is one covering the period 1868-1907. There is a gap for 1853-1858 because a 'new list' said to have been made in 1853 does not appear to be extant. After 1837 the lists of members can be verified and supplemented by reference to the series of birth and burial notes at Carlton Hill. From the 1880s the printed lists of members provide a more generally accessible source of information.

During the early years of the 19th century in particular, there was a considerable amount of movement both in and out of Leeds, so there are many gaps in information concerning people who did not arrange all their registration activities within Brighouse or Knaresborough MMs, and who even dared to go outside Yorkshire altogether to get born, married, or buried.

However, with the Digest entries as basis, search is being made in the likely printed sources for information concerning these Friends. Entries in the 'Annual Monitor' have been noted. Local histories and publications of local historical societies have been searched for references to Friends. For example, Ralph Thoresby the Leeds historian, records in his 'Ducatus Leodiensis' (1715) the gravestones of the Leeds family of BARLOW in Morley burial ground. Eighteenth century Quaker weddings are mentioned in the local newspapers of the time. Anecdotes about Gildersome Friends are told by P.H. Booth in his 'History of Gildersome and the BOOTH Family' (privately printed c.1920).

Of the Friends who were disowned in the 18th century for marrying out (and a proportion of them still attended meeting, and might later apply and be accepted back into membership), the majority are to be found in the Leeds parish church registers (printed by the Thoresby Society), and similarly some entries for families who later joined Friends have been traced in the printed registers for the parishes of Guiseley (which included Rawdon) and Calverley.

Work is proceeding on indexing the 18th century Leeds Preparative Meeting minute books, and these indexes will enable information about Friends' individual activities in the discipline, apprenticeships, service on committees and the like to be transferred to the appropriate cards. Names appear for which no Digest entries have been recorded.

When time permits, further information may be extracted from the Sufferings. The records of Friends' social activities (where they survive at Carlton Hill) will shed light on aspects of Quaker life not usually covered in the formal record (the Essay Society of the 1890s springs immediately to mind) - and will bring in the names of young Friends (like Roger CLARK) who came to Leeds for study at the Yorkshire College without transfer of formal membership but who joined in the wider life of the Quaker community.

The end product is not in sight. Digest entries are made on a series of quarto sheets ready for possible biographical entries when searching of Leeds sources has been completed, but whether this will ever come about remains to be seen. Meanwhile the search goes on. I welcome references concerning Leeds Friends to help fill out information already available.

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Postscript 31.1.1994 (after nearly twenty years): progress still to be reported; no end in sight.

Queries are accepted about Friends in the Leeds area, provided that enquirers:

- a) provide helpful clues fully, re persons, places, dates;
- b) indicate exactly what is already known, and the sources already tapped;
- c) provide a stamped addressed envelope, and are prepared to wait.

#### HOW CAPTAIN JOHN GILLIE DISCOVERED QUAKERS

From around 1840, the Gillies farmed Spindlestone Farm near BAMBURGH. Although John had been brought up on the farm, he left when he was 16 for a career at sea.

Every Sunday the family went to the nearest kirk, at North Sunderland, 'all in their blacks'. One Sunday morning, 4th January 1857 when John was home on shore leave, the weather was so stormy that only he and his father went to the kirk. A gale was blowing from the east, and the snow was falling in blinding showers. On the way, between Bamburgh and Greenhill, they noticed a ship in difficulty. John jumped out of the gig and ran down to the shore. The ship was half a mile from the shore with both anchors down and in a dangerous position. A few men were trying to launch the lifeboat. He stepped in as one of the crew, acting as coxwain.

Immediately they launched the boat, the waves broke all oars on the starboard side, forcing them to give up the attempt. He borrowed a farm cart, and the lifeboat was dragged for about a mile to Warren Water, a place where a burn rushed headlong to the sea, pushing back the waves. By this time, the ship had drifted northwards and had struck on the dangerous Ross Sands. At Warren Water, they launched the boat safely into the burn and rowed to the ship (the barque, Harmonie of Liverpool, bound for the Tyne).

After struggling with the fierce wind and sea, they at last reached the ship's lee and took in the crew. One man, the Steward, missed

his mark and fell overboard. John pushed in a boathook where he saw him disappear into the angry water - another moment and he would have been lost. The boathook struck one of his ribs, and he grasped it with both hands. The old grey-haired Captain got into the boat last of all, and they soon had the pleasure of landing safely every one of the thirteen crew. John said of his experience, "I had the inexpressible pleasure of saving the life of a fellow creature."

The Captain's name was Duncan Smith. John took him back to Spindlestone, gave him dry clothes, and Captain Smith stayed for a week. Twelve months later, Captain Smith was boarding a vessel in the Mersey, slipped, and sank. His body was never recovered.

A day or two after the rescue, a Quaker who was staying in Bamburgh, seeing John Gillie walking on the sands, stopped him. "Aren't you the young man who coxed the lifeboat on Sunday? Surely all those oars ought not to have broken?" "Indeed they ought not," said Captain John. "They were made of some soft wood when they should have been made of tough ash." "You should tell the Lord Lieutenant about that," said the Quaker. "I am only a bashful sailor," replied John, "so I couldn't do that." "You can go anywhere where you have a good cause," the Quaker said, and he took him. Ever since, the oars have been made of ash.

Following this experience, John and his family became more familiar with the local Quakers.

South Shields meeting had led a precarious life financed by the Monthly Meeting (MM) until first William and Anna BECK, and then John Wilson Gillie (son of Captain John) and Nora Gillie formed a nucleus from which it could grow, and the MM, no longer being required to contribute to running expenses, raised a fund to buy a house. This was part of a large dwelling house, which had been rented first to the Durham Light Infantry (the word 'ARTILLERY' could be seen on one door for many years), and then to the YMCA who in 1899 found themselves unable to keep it up. Thomas PUMPHREY issued an appeal for money to buy the house and make alterations, and Friends responded generously. When the work was finished, all those who had contributed were invited to tea in what had been the drill room adjoining.

[Compiled from notes made by Capt. J. Gillie, Nora Gillie (nee Brady), and articles in the 'Shields Daily News'].

#### Descendants of John Gillie (1796-1871)

John GILLIE b. 17.1.1796 North Burn, Eyemouth, Berwickshire, Scotland, m. Grace JOHNSTONE 24.11.1820 in Burnmouth, Ayton, Northumberland, b. 24.11.1793 Cove, Cockburnspath, Berwickshire, d. before Oct. 1849 Eyemouth, Berwickshire, bur. Eyemouth. John d. 1871 Eyemouth.

I. James GILLIE b. 1828, d. 1872, Eyemouth.

II. John GILLIE b. 27.10.1829, North Burn, Eyemouth, Captain, m.  
(1) Maia CALDER 15.4.1858 Bamburgh, Northumberland, d.  
23.7.1880 South Shields, Northumberland, bur. 27.7.1880  
Westre, South Shields. m. (2) Alexandrina Tulloch, 22.1.1886  
in Nairn, Nairnshire, Scotland, b. 1859.

A. Helen Davidson Gillie b. 8.7.1860, 20 Burr Street, London.

B. Grace Johnstone Gillie b. abt Dec. 1862, Shanghai, China.

C. John Wilson Gillie b. 31.3.1864, Preston, North Shields,  
Northumberland, m. Nora Brady 5.7.1898 in Quaker Meeting,  
Newcastle upon Tyne, Northumb., b. 21.10.1866, Middles-  
brough, Cleveland, d. 20.10.1956 North Shields, bur.  
cremated Newcastle upon Tyne. John d. 19.1.1954, York,  
cremated.

D. Robert Calder Gillie b. 31.12.1865, Preston, North Shields  
Rev., m. Emily Genn Dalrymple Japp 24.10.1899 in  
Presbyterian church, Toxteth Park, Liverpool. Emily b.  
15.10.1871 Rock Ferry, Liverpool, Cheshire, d. 2.3.1958,  
Barton Close, Cambridge. Robert d. 29.11.1941 Netherhall  
Gardens, Hampstead, London.

E. Thomas Gillie.

F. May Calder Gillie b. 12.1.1870 Preston, North Shields,  
m. (1) George Frederick Ebenezer Scott 26.8.1893,  
b. 29.4.1859 Rickmansworth, Herts, d. 13.9.1897 London.  
m. (2) Bernard Turner, 1915, d. before 1958. May d. March  
1958, Barnes, London.

G. Elizabeth Anne Gillie b. 29.9.1873, Westoe Crescent, South  
Shields, d. 17.10.1953

H. George Tulloch Gillie b. 29.5.1888, Westre, South Shields,  
m. Margaret Grace Wilson 8.2.1913, d. about 16.9.1965.  
George d. 16.9.1965.

I. Eric Hugh Gillie b. 18.10.1890, Westre, South Shields,  
d. about 1910.

III Paul Johnstone Gillie b. 1831, m. Mary Dawson.

A. James Gillie.

B. Violet Gillie.

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8 Kings Drive, Littleover, Derby DE23 6EU

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Norma

### Hannah's Gravestone

I was very interested to read your article in Quaker Connections concerning the search for your ancestor's gravestone.

We have a very similar story at Wooldale Meeting concerning the gravestones of some of the children of Henry JACKSON (1633-1710). We have mounted in the hall the elaborate (for Quaker standards) gravestones of his daughters Hannah (1675-1682) and Tabitha (1679-1682) who died of smallpox. These were discovered in the early 1900s, upside down, being used as paving stones, a result of the eighteenth century decision that all gravestones should be removed for straying from the simplicity that Friends were supposed to observe.

The story continues. In the 1980s, during restoration work, two more of Henry Jackson's children's gravestones were discovered. They were being used as lintels above the window in the gallery. These commemorated Hilikiah (1674-1684) and Tabitha (1682-1687). Interestingly, on both gravestones the wording 'Here lyeth' had been chiselled out, perhaps to let future generations know that Quakers were not in the habit of burying their dead in the walls of buildings!

Although infant mortality must have been very commonplace at this period, Henry Jackson wrote a nine page poem grieving for the loss of Tabitha:

My Tabitha is left me and is gone  
Her outward Absence now I may bemone  
She was a Child to me lovely and dear  
I greatly did desire her Presence here  
But in submission to my Fathers Will  
For he is worthy to be served still  
And to dispose of me and mine forever  
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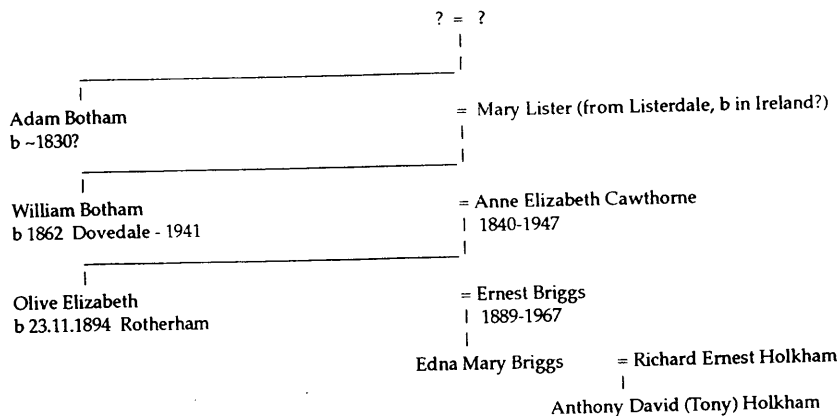
She with the Lord forever shall remain  
And unto us shall not return again  
My Care concerning her is now at an End  
My Prayer is answered I need not spend  
One Minutes Time a Position to prepare  
For Her: for that my Lord hath taken Care  
And given her a Position far more great  
Than earthly Riches or a Princes Seat....

David G. Bower, 21 Ingdale Drive, Wooldale, Holmfirth,  
Huddersfield, W. Yorkshire HD7 1AT

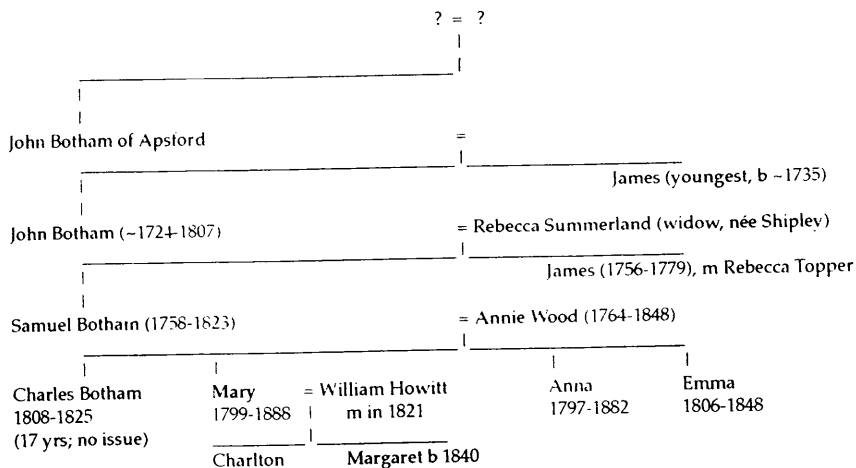
## MEMBERS' QUERIES

**BOTHAM/HOWITT** - My grandmother, Olive Botham, was quite certain that an aunt or great-aunt of her father, William, was Mary Howitt (nee Botham), the well-known Victorian writer.

Though not my direct ancestor, the addition of Mary Howitt to my family tree would enable me to trace my grandmother's family back much further, because many of MH's books were autobiographical, and her life story has been written twice. This is my known maternal line:



And here is Mary Howitt's family:



But where did the 'aunt' relationship come in? Mary's brother Charles, who was the only brother, died tragically at 17, having run away to sea some time before. James, Mary's uncle, died childless in middle age, so William Botham cannot have been descended from him. There don't seem to be any other males from whom William can have been descended unless you go back a further generation. One must draw the conclusion that my grandmother's information was wrong, but it's a mystery, nonetheless, because the key place, Uttoxeter, is common to both families.

I'm open to suggestions about any different ways I might look at the problem. Eventually there will be no substitute for digging out the records, but as I'm researching my father's family at the moment, I don't want to get distracted.

The answer of course is to persuade my mother to do it for me, and what better way to start her off than a subscription to your new society!

Tony Holkham, 22 Willowbed Drive, Chichester, W. Sussex PO19 2JB

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**CARTWRIGHT** - I am trying to establish whether Thomas Cartwright, clockmaker, is among my Cartwright ancestors. He was apprenticed in 1693, and reputedly died in 1741. I would be very interested to hear from anyone with any information about him or his descendants.

Elizabeth Hall, 14 Clinton Hill, Dormansland, Lingfield, Surrey  
RH7 6QD

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**END** - I would like to exchange information with descendants of William End, a Quaker of Mallow, Co. Cork, Ireland. He is listed as a 'titulado' in the 1659 'census' of Ireland, edited by S. Pender. He was born 1630/1, and died 4 10mo 1704. He left £10 to poor Quakers in his will. He married Anne (surname unknown), who died 30 7mo 1709. The records of his family are contained in the Cork and Youghal Meeting records, which are published in volumes 11 and 14 of Albert E. Casey's "O'Kief, Coshe Mang, ...." 1966 and 1968.

Louis D. Melnick, 530 Michigan Ave, Evanston, Illinois 60202, USA.

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**GOODMAN** - I am seeking information on Samuel Goodman, who was Headmaster of Christ's Hospital in Hertford from 1674-82. A book on the Hospital says he was 'a prominent Quaker gentleman of Hertford'.

Mrs B. Pembroke, 30 Ruskin Drive, Worcester Park, Surrey KT4 8LH.

**PENN** - Has anyone researched the descendants of William Penn? A direct ancestor of mine married Sarah Penn in 1827 in Sunderland. Her father was Benjamin Pascall Penn. Any information gratefully received.

Dr T.N.P. Wilton, Walnut Tree Cottage, Alveston Road, Tockington, Bristol BS12 4PH.

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**SMITH** - I am seeking information on James Smith, my Quaker ancestor through my American mother. James was probably born in Bristol, a smith by trade as well as by name, and emigrated to America by 1635. He had married Mary (surname unknown) in England. He died in 1661, having made his will dated 9.11.1660, proved on 27.6.1661. His son, James Smith, was born about 1625, and also emigrated with his sister Catherine. The younger James returned for a while and lived in Bristol, but died in Salem in 1702/3. He married a New Englander, Margaret PHILLIPS, and they had a son, James Smith, born about 1676.

Captain Philip Foxwood, Ann's Cottage, Ramsden, Chipping Norton, Oxon OX7 3AZ.

#### INFORMATION RECEIVED

**BEAUMONT** Descendants of Abraham Beaumont (d. 1770), clothier, of Dearshaw. High Flats Meeting, Penistone parish, Yorks. Married 1731 Ann Ellis (1709-1789) (4 generations).

From: Michael & Diana Beaumont, 16135 NE 41st Court, Redmond, WA 98052-5246, USA.

**BLADWORTH KENNEDY** Descendants of Thomas and Sarah Bladworth of Fishlake, Doncaster, Yorks (d. 1724 and 1709) (9 generations). Descendants of William Spiers Kennedy (1853-1924) and Frances Fuller Bladworth (5 generations)

From: Linda J. Kennedy, 12 Teesdale, Southgate West, Crawley, W. Sussex RH11 8QW

**BROWN** Descendants of James Brown (born c.1678) of Amwell, Broxbourne and Bayford, Herts (9 generations). Includes Everett, Hunton, Jesup, Pryor and Ransome before 1850.

From: Jean Russell, 5 Hendrefoilan Avenue, Sketty, Swansea, W. Glamorgan SA2 7LY.



BUTLER        The Butlers of Out Rawcliffe. Descendants of Moses Butler (1683-1764) and Judith Gough (1711-1786) (3 generations).

From Jendy Bullman, 5 Manor Avenue, Fulwood, Preston, Lancs PR2 4DN.

FRANKLAND    Further information on the Frankland family has been  
LAMBERT       received. It concerns the family of James Lambert and Ann Frankland.

From: Judith M. Wood, 22 Canada Road, Rawdon, Leeds, LS19 6LR.

✓ Christopher Ketchell, project supervisor, Local History Unit, Park Street Centre, Hull College, Park Street, Hull HU2 8RR, has sent to Michael Gandy for the Society's use:

- a copy of a Local History Unit's publication 'Regional ROWNTREES: a directory of 16th-19th century Rowntrees (with some 20th century entries)' by Philip I. Holford, published by the Local History Unit in 1988.

- a copy of the booklet 'Quakers in HULL' by Fred Fletcher, who has carried out much research into the history of Quakers in this area. Unfortunately Fred is now not well and unable to continue with this work.

- a photocopy of the leaflet 'Archives and Manuscripts' which refers to the extensive collection of archive material in the Brynmor Jones Library, Hull University, Cottingham Road, Hull HU6 7RX.

- a photocopy of the Archive Service's Publication no. 4 'Handlist of Society of Friends and Non-Parochial Registers on Microfilm'. Much archive material relating to Quakers has been deposited in the Humberside County Archive Office at Beverley.

✓ Copies of Fred Fletcher's 1985 dissertation presented for his B.A. in Regional and Local History at Hull University, 'Quakerism in East Yorkshire' are deposited in the Hull Local Studies Library, Central Library, Albion Street, Hull; the Local History Unit, Hull College; and at Hull University's Centre for Regional and Local History.

Copies of his 1980 dissertation for the Diploma in Local History studies at Hull University, 'Early Quakerism in Hull: an account of the Society of Friends in Hull from the time of the visit of George Fox in 1652 until the end of the first Minute Book of the Owstwick Monthly Meeting 1709' are deposited in the Hull Local Studies Library; Hull College's Local History Unit; and Hull University.

## INFORMATION HELD

Jendy Bullman writes to tell of his elderly uncle, Bewley Pim, brought up as a Quaker but no longer in membership. His father drew up extensive family trees, now with Eileen Thompson, 10 Berrylands, Liss Forest, Petersfield, Hants GU33 7DB. Bewley Pim has compiled a 60 page PIM genealogy, on sale at £6. As Mr Pim has poor sight, it is best to contact him by phone on 08956 36745.

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Debby Rose, 4 Chafeys Avenue, Weymouth, Dorset DT4 0EQ has a photocopy of the burial register for the Quaker Meeting House at Pleystowe House/Farm, Capel, Surrey, which runs from 1664-1849. The 73 surnames contained are as follows: AICOST, AKHURST, BARKENFIELD, BATCHELOR, BAX, BEED(D)LE, BIGNAL(L), BISHOP, BO(U)RN(E), B(O)UT(T)ON, BRISTOW, BU(T)CHER, CARTER, CHARLWOOD, COAL, CONSTABLE, COX, CUMBER, DAWS, DEAN, DIMMOCK, EDWARD(S), GADD, GARTON, GATES, HALL, HARMAN, HA(Y)L(L)A/ER, HEWET, HOLMES, HUMPHR(E)Y, ILEATH, LEWER, LIFFORD, LUCOCK, MATHEW, MOON, NYE, O(U)LDER, PADDON, PALMER, PARSON(S), PATCHING, PE(E)TE/OR(S), PITTFOULD, PRYER, ROBE/INSON, SAYERS, SE(A)MAN, SHAW, SHELTON, SLADE, SLARK(E)S, SMITH, STE(A)DMAN, STEER(E), STEN(N)ING, SUMMERS, SWAN(N), TAYLOR, THAINE, TICEHURST, TILLERY, TULLY, VENNER, WADEY, WALLIS, WARNER, WEBB, WELLER, WHEELER, W(H)INCHESTER, WORSFOLD, WRIGHT. Further details can be supplied if you send an SAE.

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Michael Shaw, Hiham Plat, Winchelsea, E. Sussex TN36 4HD writes that he has a solid Quaker pedigree, descending from Emma BOTHAM of Uttoxeter, and Cincinatti, USA. She is his 2x great grandmother, and sister of Victorian author Mary HOWITT. Their father Samuel Botham's gravestone is the only one left in the Quaker Burial Ground at Uttoxeter, where the original Meeting House still stands. Mary Howitt translated Hans Christian Andersen's tales into English, and wrote the poem, "Will you walk into my parlour?" said the spider to the fly." Mary became a Roman Catholic late in life and is buried with her husband William in Rome's Protestant cemetery. Their bust is to be seen next to Byron's on the west door of Nottingham Castle.

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### Death

The Society announces with regret the death of Michael Brian PELLY, who died on 11th March 1994.

### BOOKSHELF

William Sessions of York have kindly given us permission to use their publicity handouts. They publish many books of interest to the Quaker Family Historian, and it is these we shall be featuring, and not books of a religious or geographical nature. A full list of their publications can be obtained from William Sessions Ltd, The Ebor Press, York YO3 9HS.

#### 'Deborah Darby of Coalbrookdale 1754-1810' by Rachel Labouchere

Price £6.50 (plus £1.60 p&p), available from William Sessions Ltd.

Rachel Labouchere's account of the life of Deborah Darby and her journeys leaves one breathless as to the amount of travelling and visiting achieved in the latter part of the 18th century when the roads were often rough and difficult, and where the Quaker Meeting Houses, places and families visited were often off the beaten track and providing only the simplest accommodation.

Deborah spent three years in America with Rebecca Young visiting many of the tiny hamlets up and down the eastern side of that huge continent, wherever groups of Friends lived. She also spent some three months in Philadelphia, attending and addressing Meetings and visiting families.

This book has been based on Deborah's own diary, written day by day in Quakerly terms in her elegant spidery hand, and Rachel Labouchere's transcription of it has been lovingly compiled. The result is a contemporary, vivid account of Deborah's life in Coalbrookdale, together with her visits elsewhere in England and in America, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, giving a discerning insight into the wide-ranging religious travels of those intrepid unpaid Quaker ministers of the late 1700s and early 1800s.

While Deborah was in America she not only met and valued the company of William Savery but was the cause of inspiration to the first French Quaker Stephen Grellet to join the Society; and later she similarly helped to inspire Elizabeth (Gurney) Fry to turn her back on a worldly social life to the great benefit of prison visitation and reform. In this account one also meets other well-known ministering Quakers who were similarly on the circuit of religious journeying: GRUBBs, LLOYDs, TUKES, ALEXANDERS: American, Irish and Welsh Friends; together weaving a tapestry of concerned Quaker visitation.

'Leeds Friends' Minute Book, 1692-1712' by Jean and Russell Mortimer

Price £24 (£16 if a member of Y.A.S.) (plus £1.30 p&p), obtainable from Mrs B. Arundel, The Yorkshire Archaeological Society Claremont, 23 Clarendon Road, Leeds LS2 9NZ.

This volume, the first to transcribe the Minutes of a Quaker Preparative Meeting, is of value to social, religious, industrial, local and family historians.

Preparative Meetings dealt with the affairs of local Friends and with topics for discussion at the monthly executive meeting in anticipation of the County Quarterly Meeting. These minutes deal with matters relating to the 'grass root' membership of the Society of Friends in Leeds, and provide material to complement editions of the minutes of Monthly Meetings, e.g. the two volumes of the Bristol Meeting Minutes 1667-1704 (produced by Bristol Record Society in 1971 and 1978).

Local affairs were transacted at the Preparative Meeting. It arranged for meetings for worship, attended to property matters, cared for the poor, advised and assisted young men setting up in business, made enquiries before authorising marriages, and watched over the behaviour of members generally. It looked to the spiritual and temporal welfare of members, and dealt with backsliders in a way which a later age came to consider unjustifiably intrusive.

The book provides another angle from which to view those who contributed to West Riding development at the beginning of the Industrial Age. Yorkshire families like the ARTHINGTONS, the HORNERS, and the ELAMS appear. Robert Arthington was agent for Sir Abstrupus Danby at Farnley. The Elams had by the mid 18th century begun to build up their considerable trading links with America.

Fifty pages of preamble discuss the organisation of the Society of Friends in Yorkshire, provide a general introduction, and survey the records.

Following the main text are the poor accounts, and some four hundred biographical notes gleaned from registers, manuscript and printed sources.

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