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AYUSAWA, Iwao

WBE gives information about this Friend who we believe  
is still living. Therefore we are omitting it.

Nov. 30, 1984 from Noriko Ayusawa, I.A.'s  
great-niece:

Iwao Ayusawa was born Oct. 15, 1894  
and died Nov. 30, 1972 in France.

m. Tomiko Yoshimura, Oct., 1922.

H.C. 1917, then Johns Hopkins

AXFORD, Hannah, 1730- , born Lightfoot

see LIGHTFOOT, Hannah, 1730- , after 1753 Axford

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BACHE, Humphrey, d. 1662.

A goldsmith.

Married, had 5 children.

Goldsmithy at the sign of the Snail, in Tower St., London, Eng. With the civil war, his business lapsed and he was employed to oversee a company of men throwing up fortifications about London. Employed in Custom House. In both these employments was guilty of "graft", totalling £ 150.

Aroused by preaching of Burroughs, Howgill and Fox, he repented and restored £ 160. Joined Friends 1656. Felt restrained from making or selling rings, trinkets, and useless ornaments. 1660, rabble of boys and rude people collected at his door to abuse Friends as they left meeting. 1662, imprisoned in overcrowded jail.

Author: A few words ... to the old long sitting parliament, 1659.

Weakened by his confinement in jail, died soon after release. Consumption. d. 18 June 1662, London, Eng.

Jour. Frds. Hist. Soc., 8: 51.

Life of Thomas Ellwood, p. 75.

Friends in the 17th Cent., p. 94.

The Friend, Phila., 17: 53.

Beginnings Qu., 377, 456, 517-519.

Smith 1: 151.

Besse 1: 392.

**BACKHOUSE, Abigail (1814-1841) born Dent**

Abigail Dent, the daughter of William Dent (1778-1861 qv) and his wife Sarah of Marr, near Doncaster, was born at Broomhouse on 16 April 1814(1). In 1837 she became the second wife of Thomas Backhouse (1792-1845 qv) of York and there were two children(2).

Her parents had been careful to train their children in the principles of the Society, but her spirit was not awakened to the blessing of the Gospel until near the close of her short life. Her general health was not robust and the anxiety caused by the illness of her baby son brought on a breakdown. During her illness she was much troubled by her conviction of the manner in which she had fallen short of the requirements of the religious life, but she died at peace at York on 7 May 1841(3), at the age of twenty seven.

**PRINCIPAL SOURCE**

Annual Monitor 1842 pp 15-21

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 Derby & Notts QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and children see BACKHOUSE, Thomas (1792-1845)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Thomas

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

BACKHOUSE, Agnes (1697/8-1773) born Atkinson

Agnes Atkinson, the daughter of William Atkinson ( - ) and his wife Sarah (born ) of Townsend in Conistone, Lancashire, was born there on 4.xii.1697 [i.e. February 1697/8] (1).

She was married in 1720 to William Backhouse (~~1694/5~~ 1695/6-1761 qv), a yeoman at Yealand Conyers in Lancashire and there were thirteen children(2). Later her husband became a dealer in yarn and the family moved to Over Kellet in Lancashire(3).

Agnes Backhouse of Over Kellet died on 26 November 1773, at the age of seventy five(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Lancashire QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and children see BACKHOUSE, William (1694/5 or 1695/6-1761)
- 3 See entry for BACKHOUSE, William (1694/5 or 1695/6-1761)
- 4 Lancashire QM Burials Digest: she is described as the widow of William of Over Kellet

SEE ALSO:-

Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 10, p 127n; vol 15, p 21

BACKHOUSE, Agnes (1730-1797) after 1764 Harrison

[Agnes Backhouse, daughter of William Backhouse (1695/6-1761 qv)  
and his wife Agnes (born Atkinson, 1697/8-1773 qv) of Over  
Kellet near Lancaster, was married in 1764 to John Harrison  
(1725-1800 qv) of Darlington.

See HARRISON, Agnes (1730-1797) born Backhouse ]

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BACKHOUSE, Alfred, 1822-1888.

b. 1822. Lived at Pilmore Hall, Darlington.

Elder.

d. 2 Sept 1888, at Dryderdale, near Wolsingham,  
Co. Durham, aged ca. 66.

An. Mon. (N. S.), 48: 26.

Qu. Col. Hav., 860 (Portrait).

The Friend (London), 28 (1888): 288.

**BACKHOUSE, Amelia (1809-1837) born Fryer**

Amelia Fryer, the daughter of Joseph Fryer (1761-1846 qv) and his wife Ann, born Jowitt, of Tothill in Yorkshire, was born there on 25 October 1809(1). She was married in 1833 to William Backhouse (1807-1869 qv), a banker of Newcastle-on-Tyne, and there were twin children who died in infancy(2).

She died at Newcastle on 27 January 1837, at the age of twenty seven(3).

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a merchant
- 2 For marriage and issue see BACKHOUSE, William (1807-1869)
- 3 Durham QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of William junior, of Greenfield Place, Westgate

**SEE ALSO:-**

Annual Monitor 1838, p 5: 1 line entry for death

**N.B.** There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

BACKHOUSE, Ann (1745/6-1826) born Pease

Ann Pease, the daughter of Edward and Elizabeth Pease of Darlington in the county of Durham, was born there on 14.xii.1745 (i.e. February 1745/6)(1).

She was married in 1774 to Jonathan Backhouse (1747-1826 qv), a linen draper and later a banker of Darlington and there were ten children(2).

Ann Backhouse of Darlington died on 3 January 1826, at the age of eighty(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and children see BACKHOUSE, Jonathan (1747-1826)
- 3 Durham QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of Jonathan

SEE ALSO:-

Incidental reference in J Friends Hist Soc vol 15, p 25n

BACKHOUSE, Ann (1785-1852)

Ann Backhouse, the daughter of Jonathan and Ann Backhouse of Darlington, was born there on 28 October 1785.<sup>(1)</sup> From her youth she was of a religious disposition, but she was modest and diffident and never sought to impose her views. Her health was always delicate, but she served as an elder of her meeting and met the prolonged illness which preceded her death with patient cheerfulness.

She died at Darlington on 7 August 1852.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1853 pp.19-21

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QN Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 Digest of Deaths: she is described as a spinster

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BACKHOUSE, Arthur (1853-1918)

Arthur Backhouse was born at Sunderland on 30 December 1853, the youngest of the family of Thomas James and Margaret Backhouse (1). He was a delicate boy and therefore did not go away to school. After the death of both his parents he was brought up with devoted care by his father's second wife, Annie Robson, and after her death by his sister, Mary Agnes. He was able to study at Edinburgh University, and in 1890 settled - for health reasons - at Torquay, where he lived quietly amid beautiful surroundings, taking a great interest in his alpine garden. His home, Pilmuir, had a large room where religious and social gatherings were held, much appreciated by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

He was Vice-Chairman of the Hospital Board, a staunch supporter of the Y.M.C.A. in Torquay, and in the country generally, and used his considerable wealth in a most generous fashion. He was an Elder, and for some years served as Treasurer of East Devon Monthly Meeting. In spite of his delicate health he was able to travel widely, especially in Switzerland where he made a special study of the flora. The photographs he took on his travels were used to make slides with which he illustrated many interesting talks. A Testimony from his Monthly Meeting said: "We shall always remember his kindness - his hospitality, but most of all we shall think of him as a good man, not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ".

He died quite suddenly on 18 November 1918 aged 64.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Annual Monitor 1919/20 p.83

REFERENCES & NOTES :

- 1 Digest of Birth Notes; his father is described as coal owner

BACKHOUSE, Deborah (1793-1827) born Loew *trs*

s/ Deborah Lowe was born 29 Aug. 1793, the daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Lowe of Worcester (1). Her father died when she was very young and she was educated by her mother, who was careful to train her in the practice of those things into which true Christian principles lead; and amongst these, a vigilance to guard against all such superfluity or ornament in dress, as should be likely to foster pride... (2) Her mother changed her residence several times after her husband's death, and came finally to live in Tottenham. Deborah Lowe resided with her until her death in 1820; she then went to live with her brother-in-law and sister, Edward and Anna Carroll, until her marriage.

*of York, the son of  
James and Mary  
Backhouse* She married 5 November 1822, at Tottenham, James Backhouse (1794-1869 q.v.) of Darlington (3), and removed to York (4).

In 1818 she had had a serious illness lasting several months, which deepened her religious experience. Her first public testimony was in 1819, in a meeting at Tewkesbury when on a visit there. Her ministry was not frequent and generally short. In 1823, with Ann Alexander, she visited a number of families in their meetings (5). This was the only such visit she paid, as she was from this time on frequently in very poor health, which rendered her incapable of much active exertion. She was however able to accompany her husband to London YM in 1824 and 1826 (6). Her health seldom prevented her from attending to the state of her own family, and she was an affectionate if strict mother, and an orderly and industrious housewife. s/ 9/

She died at York 10 December 1827, aged 34, and was buried in Friends Burial Ground, York, 16 Dec. (7).

#### PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of York MM in TCMD vol.5 p.295

#### NOTES AND REFERENCES

- 1 Hereford, Worcs & Wales QM Births digest
- 2 A memoir of Deborah Backhouse of York; &c (York, 1828) p.6
- 3 London & Middx QM Marriages digest
- 4 Her children Elizabeth (b.1823) and James (b.1825) were born at Micklegate, parish of St. Martin cum Gregory, York; Mary (b.1827) was born at Blossom St, parish of Holy Trinity, York - Yorks QM Births digest, 1776-1837.

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BACKHOUSE, Deborah (1793-1827) born Loew

contd. *trs.*

- 5 A memoir of Deborah Backhouse of York &c (York 1828) p.13
- 6 ibid. p.19
- 7 Yorks QM Burials digest, 1776-1837

SEE ALSO

J. Backhouse, Select family memoirs (York, pr.pr. 1831)  
pp.160-189

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Additional Information.

BACKHOUSE, Deborah, 1793-1827.

had 2 children.

Suffered from cough.

Had visions of heavenly marvels.

Memoir of D. B., 1828, BX7720 F95.

BACKHOUSE, Edith Mary (1874-1966)

Edith M. Backhouse was born on 31 July 1874, the daughter of James Edward (-1897) and Elizabeth Barclay (born Fowler, 1849-1911, qv) Backhouse. Her father, born in Sunderland but living in Darlington, was a partner in the family bank and an excellent water colourist. Her great grandmother was a Gurney, and from both her parents her forebears go back to the first days of conviction in the seventeenth century, including Robert Barclay, the apologist. Her aunt was A. Priscilla Fowler (1862-1942, qv) and she was a sister of Basil H. Backhouse.

She was educated at Polam Hall and the Mount School York (1891-2) and then at Woodbrooke. She took further training at Mildmay Hospital and Mission in London in preparation for work in India under the Friends Foreign Mission Association. She was for many years at the Sohagpur Friends Boarding School for Girls, as teacher, principal and warden. For her work in the central provinces she received a decoration.

In 1946 she returned to Darlington to live, and she entered fully into the life of the Meeting. She died on 24 July 1966.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE:

Testimony of Darlington MM in YM Proc. 1967 p.172

BACKHOUSE, sir Edmund Trelawney (1873-1944) nm

Edmund Trelawney Backhouse was born on 20 October 1873, the eldest child of Jonathan Edmund Backhouse (1849-1918) and Florence Backhouse (18 -1902, born Salusbury-Trelawney). It seems likely that his father resigned his membership in Darlington MM about the time of his marriage in 1871. (1)

Jonathan Edmund Backhouse was created a baronet in 1901; Edmund T. Backhouse succeeded him in 1918. He had spent the greater part of his life in China, and died there on 8 January 1944, at Peking. (2)

REFERENCES & NOTES

- 1 Joseph Foster, The descendants of John Backhouse..., privately printed, 1894, p 11; Who was who 1916-1928, p 39. Jonathan E. Backhouse appears in the Darlington MM List of members, 1870, but not in the 1874 List. His son's name is not in Digest of Births.
- 2 Ibid.; for a brief account of Edmund Backhouse's career, Hope Danby contributed an entry to the DNB 1941-1950, pp 31-32; for a more extensive and critical account, see Hugh Trevor-Roper, A hidden life - the enigma of sir Edmund Backhouse, 1976.

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BACKHOUSE, Edward (1781-1860)

Edward Backhouse, the son of Jonathan Backhouse (1747-1826 qv) and his wife Ann (born Pease, 1745/6-1826 qv) of Darlington in the county of Durham, was born there on 9 July 1781(1). His father was one of the founders of the banking firm of Jonathan Backhouse & Co of Darlington and in due course he joined the business(2).

He was married in 1807 to Mary Robson (1789-1860 qv) of Darlington(3) and there were five children(4). He was one of the first Quakers to become a Justice of the Peace and was described as a Friend who had swallowed the municipal declaration necessary to empower Friends to act as magistrates(5).

Edward Backhouse of Ashburne, Bishopwearmouth, died on 7 June 1860, at the age of seventy eight(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 P.W.Matthews and Anthony W.Tuke, History of Barclay's Bank Ltd., London 1926, p 203
- 3 The wedding was at Darlington on 5 August 1807: he is described as a banker of Darlington in Durham, the son of Jonathan and Ann Backhouse of Darlington; she is described as the daughter of Edward and Elizabeth Robson of Darlington (Durham QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Durham QM Births Digest and the Digest of Marriages as follows:-

Edward qv	b 8 May 1808	m 1856 Katharine Mounsey (1831-1906 qv)
Thomas James	b 24 April 1810	m (1)1841 Margaret Richardson (2)1855 Anne Robson
Lucy Backhouse	b 16 Dec 1812	m 1839 John Mounsey (1801-1879 qv)
Alfred qv	b 28 Sept 1822	m 1851 Rachel Barclay
Emily	b 29 July 1824	m 1847 Edward Mounsey
- N.B. The information about these children is confirmed in Joseph Foster, The descendants of John Backhouse, yeoman, 1894, pp 31-33
- 5 J Friends Hist Soc vol 18, p 92n: see also Digest of Legislative Enactments, London 1849, p 52
- 6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a gentleman

See also:-

Annual Monitor 1861, p 2: 2 line entry for death  
Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 6, p 105: vol 15,  
pp 21, 25n: vol 18, p 89: vol 21, p 85

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BACKHOUSE, Edward, 1781-1860.

Banker.

b. 9 July 1781. s Jonathan and Ann (Pease) Backhouse.

Member of the Banking House Backhouse and Co., Darling-ton, Eng.

A "plain" Friend.

d. 7 June 1860, Ashburn, nr. Sunderland, age ca. 79.

An. Mon., N.S., 19: 2.

Q. Col. Hav. 860. (portrait).

A history of Messrs. Backhouse & Co., Phillips, (portrait).

BX 7721 B22 P5.

BACKHOUSE, Edward (1808-1879)

Edward Backhouse was born at Darlington in 1808, the eldest son of Edward and Mary Backhouse; the family moved to Sunderland when he was about eleven years old, and he lived there for the rest of his life, becoming more and more closely identified with the intellectual, moral and religious prosperity of the town.

Though aware from an early age of the call to a Christian life, it was not until 1837 that he 'was led through the strait gate into life and peace', but from that time he gave up all things for Christ. After filling the offices of overseer and elder, he was recorded a minister of Newcastle Monthly Meeting in 1854, being several times the companion of Friends travelling both in this country and abroad. He took a keen interest in the welfare of the working population of Sunderland, and especially of the foreign sailors frequenting the port, and in 1866 he began the erection of the mission premises known as the Pottery Buildings, where he preached the Gospel to the poor and ignorant.

Edward Backhouse was widely known as a liberal helper in good works, and assisted in the efforts of the universal Church, though remaining a zealous member of the Society.

'His ministry was sound and edifying; showing forth the necessity of the new birth; the spirituality of the Gospel dispensation, as distinguished from a religion of outward rites and ceremonies and the joy and peace that should be the portion of the Christian believer even while upon earth'.

He died at Hastings 22 May 1879.

Testimony of Newcastle MM in YM Proc. 1880, p.iv

Edward Backhouse, the eldest son of Edward Backhouse (1781-1860 qv) and his wife Mary (born Robson, 1789-1860 qv) of Darlington in the county of Durham, was born there on 8 May 1808(1). He was educated privately and the family moved to Sunderland when he was about eleven years old. He lived there for the rest of his life, becoming more and more closely identified with the intellectual, moral and religious prosperity of the town.

He described himself as having lived a careless life for many years, until he underwent an overwhelming religious experience which opened his heart to the love and mercy of God and in 1837 he 'was led through the strait gate into life and peace.' (Testimony) Although for some time he found it difficult to give up his former pursuits, by perseverance and watchfulness he became not by birthright only but by convincement, a true Friend. He followed the teachings of the Lord in simplicity and grace and the more faithful he was to his inner convictions the more he understood the beauty of holiness and the perfect freedom of service in Christ.

He first spoke in the ministry about the year 1852 and from that time he gave up much of his leisure to any work that came his way for the advancement of the kingdom of God. He was a member of the Anti-Slavery Society and of the Bible Society and was a chief worker in Sunderland in connection with the Indigent Sick Society, the Dispensary and the Infirmary; he also helped to establish the British School, the Athenaeum and the Reformatories. To this end he distributed tracts, handing them out freely to anyone whom he met on his walks.

After filling the offices of overseer and elder, he was recorded a minister by Newcastle Monthly Meeting in 1854 and thereafter spoke freely in meetings for worship. His lively spirit and pleasant disposition made him a favourite with all, with children as well as with older Friends. The depth of his Christianity could be seen in his joyful, beaming face as well as in his daily life. He was several times the companion of Friends travelling in the ministry both at home and abroad. 'His ministry was sound and edifying; showing forth the necessity of the new birth; the spirituality of the Gospel dispensation, as distinguished from a religion of outward rites and ceremonies and the joy and peace that should be the portion of the Christian believer even while upon earth.' (Testimony)

<sup>a</sup>  
He was married in 1856 to Katherine Mounsey (1831-1906 qv) of Bishopwearmouth in Durham(2), but the marriage was apparently childless(3). It was his great wish to improve the lot of working people and in 1862, in company with others, he paid special midnight visits to some infamous public houses in Sunderland. He disclosed what he found at a public meeting and this exposure led to the withholding of many licences and the closing of some of the more notorious houses. About three years later he established a home for women who wanted to try to retrieve their lost

character. He was widely known as a liberal helper in good works and assisted in the efforts of the universal Church, although remaining a loyal member of the Society.

He gave up much of his time to the service of the Society and during 1863 and 1864 he was a member of a Yearly Meeting Committee visiting meetings in various parts of the country. He was also in 1862 and 1863 clerk to London Yearly Meeting(4), but this combined service was too much for his health and he became ill. A visit to Norway restored him and he threw himself with his accustomed whole-hearted zeal into whatever he undertook, whether it was a crusade against public houses or steadfast resistance to church-rate, which took him finally to the Ecclesiastical Court at Durham.

Although a cultivated man he was not a great reader, but he had a retentive memory and made good use of what he did read. He enjoyed foreign travel and in 1845 had accompanied William Forster (1784-1854 qv) to France on an extended ministerial journey. He was also deeply interested in natural history and formed a collection of shells, which he was always pleased to show to his friends; painting was another pastime he enjoyed when he had time. He was a staunch Liberal in politics and was often asked to stand for Parliamentary election.

The stewardship of his possessions was to him a most practical Christian truth. His contribution to charitable institutions was very large and in 1866 he began the erection of the mission premises known as the Potters Buildings, with an especial view to the welfare of the working population of Sunderland and of the foreign sailors who frequented the port. There, as ability permitted, he delighted to preach the Gospel.

During the last two years of his life he had repeated attacks of illness, which seriously undermined his health. Edward Backhouse of Ashburne, Sunderland died on 22 May 1879, at the age of seventy one(5), at Hastings in Sussex.

#### PRINCIPAL SOURCES

William Robinson (ed.) Friends of a Half Century, London 1891,  
Annual Monitor 1880, pp 21-25  
Testimony of Newcastle MM in Yearly Meeting Proceedings, 1880, p iv

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: his father is described as a banker
- 2 The wedding was at Sunderland on 26 March 1856: he is described as a bachelor, a coal owner of Ashbourne, Bishopwearmouth, the son of Edward Backhouse, a banker; she is described as a spinster of Hendon Hill, Bishopwearmouth, the daughter of Thomas Mounsey, a coal owner (Digest of Marriages)
- 3 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 4 London Yearly Meeting during 250 Years, London 1919, p 134
- 5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a banker  
For an account of his funeral see Friends House Library vol SS/122

SEE ALSO:-

- Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 4, pp 41, 144: vol 10, p 25: vol 11, p 202: vol 15, pp 22, 25n: vol 17, p 18: vol 27, p 15  
The Friend vol 19 (1879) p 186: 2 line entry for death  
Biographical Catalogue p 21  
A History of Messrs Backhouse Co. (portrait)  
Friends Historical Library, Baltimore, BX7616  
Qu. Col. Hav. (portrait)

PUBLICATIONS

- The Religious Society of Friends &c., 1870  
Early Church History, ed. by Charles Tyler, 1884  
Witnesses for Christ &c., with Charles Tyler, 1887

Joseph Smith's Catalogue, Sup p 29

Also Influence of legislation on public morals (Friends House, box 174) [check]

SEE ALSO

- Wilson Armistead, Select miscellanies, vol 4 p 66, for an account of the proposed 1844 visit to Norway which he was prevented from undertaking  
Miller, Memorials of Hope Park

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BACKHOUSE, Edward, 1808-1879.

a "public Friend", and minister.

Taught by private tutors.

m. Katharine Mounsey, of Sunderland, 1856.

1845, accompanied William Forster to France. Later went to Norway. Took small part in the family business of coal-mining or banking, but devoted most of his time to religious and philanthropic work. 1862, Clerk of London Y. Mtg.

Diligent student of Natural History. Enjoyed painting.

Author: The Religious Society of Friends, &c., 1870.

Early Church History, edited by Charles Tyler, 1884.

Witnesses for Christ &c. with Charles Tyler, 1887.

The Friend, London, 1879:, 19: 186.

An. Mon. N.Ser., 38: 20.

Biog. Cat. 21.

A History of Messrs Backhouse Co., (portrait)

F.H.L.Sw. BX7616.

Smith, Suppl., p. 29.

Qu. Col. Hav. (portrait).

Friends of a half century, 39, (portrait).

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BACKHOUSE, Edward 1876-1922.

banker.

b. 1876. s. James Edward and Elizabeth (Barclay)  
Backhouse of Darlington.

School at Oliver's Mount, Scarborough, Leighton Park,  
later Balliol College, Oxford. Travelled in Italy, Tyrol  
and Switzerland.

m. Lucy Backhouse Mounsey, 1902, and lived at Stockton-  
on-Tees.

Employed in family Bank at Darlington. Retired from  
banking, 1916, to give time for social, peace and relief  
work.

Elder, Clerk of Durham Q. Mtg. Removed to Darlington,  
1913; Justice of the Peace. 1917, moved to Purley.

Member of English, Swiss and Scotch Alpine Clubs. A  
lover of art and flowers.

d. instantaneously by the breaking of a rope on the  
Leiterspitz, near Zermatt, Switz., 25 Aug., 1922, age 45.

The Friend, London, 1922: 62, 608, 621, (portrait).

BACKHOUSE, Eliza (1812-1884) aftw. Barclay

[Eliza Backhouse, daughter of John and Elizabeth Backhouse, was married in 1841 to Robert Barclay, jun.

see BARCLAY, Eliza (1812-1884) born Backhouse]

BACKHOUSE, Elizabeth (1777-1843) after 1799 Richardson

(Elizabeth Backhouse, daughter of Jonathan Backhouse (1747-1826 qv)  
and his wife Ann, born Fesse, (1746-1826 qv) of Darlington, was  
married in 1799 to Thomas Richardson (1773-1835 qv).

See RICHARDSON, Elizabeth (1777-1843) born Backhouse)

**BACKHOUSE, Elizabeth (1800-1882)**

Elizabeth Backhouse, the third daughter of James Backhouse (1757-1804 qv) and his wife Mary (born Dearman, 1764-1838 qv) of Darlington in the county of Durham, was born there on 9 February 1800(1). From her youth she was drawn to a religious life; as she grew in years she grew in the grace of God and her long life of quiet unobtrusive dedication to the call of duty, embracing in its charity the poor and needy of every class and race, bore witness to her faithfulness.

For nine years she took charge of the children of her widowed brother James (1794-1869 qv) during his long missionary visits to the Australian colonies and to South Africa.

During the latter years of her life she was practically blind and bore her affliction with patience and resignation. But even then she found ways of helping those in distress and she was able to collect contributions from her friends for the benefit of the freed slaves in the southern states of America.

Her death was as gentle and peaceful as her life had been. In the early morning of 3 December 1882, at the age of eighty two, she felt unwell and died quietly shortly afterwards(2).

**PRINCIPAL SOURCE**

Annual Monitor 1884, pp 2-4

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: her father is described as a banker
- 2 Digest of Deaths: she is described as a spinster of Holdgate House, York

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

BACKHOUSE, Elizabeth (1811-1891) after 1838 Broadhead

[Elizabeth Backhouse, daughter of William Backhouse (1779-1844 qv) and his wife Mary (born Dixon, 1783-1874 qv) of Darlington, was married in 1838 to Henry Broadhead (1802-1882 qv) of Leeds.

See BROADHEAD, Elizabeth (1811-1891) born Backhouse ]

BACKHOUSE, Elizabeth (1823-1852) after 1847 Crosfield

~~born~~      (Elizabeth Backhouse, daughter of James Backhouse (1794-1869 qv)  
~~born~~ /      and his wife Deborah (1793-1827 qv) was married in 1847 to  
                  Joseph Crosfield (1821-1879 qv).

See CROSFIELD, Elizabeth (1823-1852) born Backhouse)

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BACKHOUSE, Elizabeth Barclay (1849-1911) born Fowler

Elizabeth Barclay Backhouse was born at Melksham in 1849, the eldest child of Henry and Ann Ford Fowler, and brought up at Woodford, Essex. In 1873 she married James Edward Backhouse of Darlington, where the rest of her life was spent, though on account of her husband's ill health they spent several winters on the Riviere and in 1892 visited Egypt and the Holy Land. James E. Backhouse died in 1897.

Elizabeth B. Backhouse took over the management of the family properties at Hurworth and Dryisdale, and was an active and generous supporter of all local religious and philanthropic work. She was Secretary of Darlington Training College, was Vice-President of the Women's Temperance Association, and gave much time to the local British and Foreign Bible Society.

She was an Elder of Darlington Meeting, and recorded a Minister in 1896. In 1901 she became a member of Meeting for Sufferings; in 1902, 1904 and 1906 she was Clerk to the Women's Yearly Meeting, and in 1903 was appointed a member of the Y.M. Committee on Ministry.

She joined the Board of F.F.M.A. in 1899 and in 1901 visited the Lebanon, becoming Chairman of the Syria Committee on her return. In 1905 she joined the China and the Children's Home Committees, and among many other generous gifts to F.F.M.A. she built Lavender Croft, a home at Hitchin for the children of missionaries.

She was an active member of the Friends Prayer League, serving on the Committee from 1902.

'In Meeting she spoke as one by whom the truths uttered had been tested in personal experience, and it was from this point of view rather than from that of the theologian that she sought to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ. Her simple trust in Him as her Saviour and her loyalty to Him as her King, enabled her to bear witness to the wonders of His grace and love, and to encourage others to prove as she had done, the blessedness of following Him fully.'

Elizabeth Barclay Backhouse died 25 May 1911, after a year's illness.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE:

Testimony of Durham QM in YM Proc. 1912, p.248

WBE:  
Additional Information.  
BACKHOUSE, Elizabeth Barclay, 1849-1911.

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b. 1 Aug. 1849.

School at Brighton, 1864.

1892, with her husband went up the Nile, and visited  
Palestine. Spent several days at Brummana, Syria.

The Friend, London, 1911, 51: 396, 435, (portrait).

An. Mon., N.S., 1912, 99: 5. (portrait).

**BACKHOUSE, Hannah Chapman (1787-1850) born Gurney**

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Chapman

Hannah Chapman Backhouse was the daughter of Joseph and Jane Gurney and was born at Newwich on 9 February 1787. Her faculties were powerful and her attainments were considerable not only intellectually but in such fields as drawing and painting. In her early twenties she became a mere 'consistent' Friend, adopting the plain language and dress.

In 1811 she married Jonathan Backhouse of Darlington. She first appeared in the ministry about 1820 and was recorded by Darlington M.M. in 1822. She travelled extensively, generally accompanied by her husband, in Great Britain and Ireland, and in North America. She was especially concerned for prisoners and for the condition of the Jewish nation.

In the course of her life she suffered the death of her husband, three sons and one daughter. The last four years of her life were spent quietly among her family and she died on 6 May 1850 aged 63 years. Her body was interred in Friends burial ground Darlington.

Testimony of Darlington M.M. in Testimonies 1851 p.13

WBE:

Additional Information.

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BACKHOUSE, Hannah Chapman, 1787-1850.

Though possessed of a good mind, she disliked study and enjoyed boyish sports. Was proficient in drawing.

1829, travelled in Ireland. 1830, went to America and spent 5 yrs. Travelled at first with her husband and later with Eliza P. Kirkbride. 1845 visited parts of Eng. and Scotland.

Started Bible Classes in meeting communities.

Author: Discourse delivered at Henry St.... N. York...,  
1830. Sermon and prayer delivered at Arch St. meeting,  
Phila., 1835.

Had a hesitation in utterance, and a harsh voice for a woman, but possessed uncommon strength of mind.

Types of Quaker Womanhood, Sturge, p. 17, (portrait).

Extracts from the Journal and Letters of HCB, 1858.

The Friend, Phila., 1911, 85: 187.

F.H.L.Swar., BX7616.

The Friend, London, 1850, 8:117.

An. Mon., 1851, N.S., 9: 86.

Memorial, London, 1851.

Later P. of Q., 886.

Biog. Cat. 25.

Col. Haverford College, Portrait.

BACKHOUSE, Hannah (1796-1827) born Stickney

Hannah Stickney, the daughter of William Stickney (1764-1848 qv) and his wife Esther, born Richardson, was born on 15 February 1796(1).

She was married in 1826 to Thomas Backhouse (1792-1845 qv) and there was one child(2).

Hannah Backhouse of York died on 23 December 1827, at the age of thirty one(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest:
- 2 For marriage and issue see BACKHOUSE, Thomas (1792-1845)
- 3 Yorkshire QM Burials Digest:

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

Annual monitor 1829 pp 7-8 notes that, previous to the birth of her daughter in November 1827 "she often spoke of the uncertainty of her recovering from her confinement; which she however was favoured to do, as speedily as could be expected": on 10 December, however, she was attacked with cholera morbus, succeeded by fever.

BACKHOUSE, Henry (1849-1926)

Henry Backhouse, the son of William Backhouse (1807-1869 qv) and his second wife Katharine (born Aldam, 1815-1868 qv) of Darlington, was born there on 29 June 1849(1). Like his father, he went into banking(2) and on 16 April 1885 he was married to Georgina Mary Stanton, the daughter of John Harrison Stanton of Stubb House, county Durham; there were two children of the marriage(3). Georgina Backhouse died in 1890, a few days after the death of her younger son(4).

In 1893 Henry Backhouse made a second marriage, to Mary Lucas of Darlington(5) and there was one child(6). About 1906 the Backhouses moved to Bournemouth(7), where Henry Backhouse died at the Cavendish Nursing Home on 7 June 1926, at the age of seventy six(8). His wife survived him for about eight years and died at Bournemouth on 19 August 1934(9).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a banker
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 5
- 3 Backhouse, Descendants, 1894, p 27: the children are given as follows:-

John William	b 9 March 1886
Rowland Henry	b 16 March 1887 who d 14 July 1890
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she died on 25 July 1890, the wife of Henry
- 5 The wedding was at Darlington on 29 August 1893: he is described as a widower, a bank inspector of Red House, Darlington, the son of William Backhouse, a gentleman; she is described as a spinster of Green Park, Darlington, the daughter of Arthur Lucas, a solicitor (Digest of Marriages)
- 6 Listed in the Digest of Births as follows:-

Katharine Mary	b 5 May 1895 who m c.1920 Philip Thomas Blanford*
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- \*In 1920 Sussex, Surrey & Hants printed Lists of Members as Backhouse, in 1921 as Blanford
- 7 Given as in Bournemouth in Sussex, Surrey & Hants QM printed Lists of Members for 1906, but not for 1905
- 8 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a retired banker
- 9 Digest of Deaths: she is described as of 10 Parsonage Road, Bournemouth

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

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BACKHOUSE, James, 1668-1697

of Yelland [sic] Conyers, Lanc., Eng.

Very useful and a good example.

Imprisoned, 1697, for tithes, upon a suit of the dean  
and chapter of Worcester. Died a prisoner.

d. 13 April or June 1697, Lancaster Castle, age 29.

Piety Pro. 3: 252

BACKHOUSE, James (1720/21 - 1798)

The son of William (1695/6-1761, q.v.) and Agnes Backhouse (1) In 1727 the family moved to Over Kellett, and he was educated at the free school, Kellett, and in 1732 at Yealand School where he learned 'wrighting and Arithmatick' (2). He assisted his mother in running the household during his father's absence in America, 1734-6. In viii [Oct] 1736, on his return, at this trade, until xi [Jan] 1740/1 when he contracted small-pox. Upon his recovery, 27.vi [Aug] 1741 he removed to Lancaster and lived there as his father's agent for four years and nine months (3).

He first visited Darlington 21.xi [Jan] 1744/5, in company with Thomas Kendall of Lancaster who introduced him into 'Father Hedley's house' with an intent to ask consent for his daughter (4). He married Mary He 8.ii [April] 1746, at Stockton, Jane Hedley, daughter of Jonathan and Mary He. A few days later he entered into partnership with his two sons, he founded the Bank at Darlington and 'managed' his concerns with much ease and cheerfulness' (7).

He visited Holland in 1770, having with four others been appointed by London YM to visit Quarterly & Monthly Meetings in Gt. Britain and Ireland, and visited Ireland in this capacity (9). He became a minister about 1782. 'During the latter part of his life he was frequently engaged in his ministry, to excite Friends to diligence, in order that their day's work might be done in the daytime.' (10) He often visited and encouraged small meetings. 'He was particularly serviceable in the discipline of the Church, being a lover of Peace', and was clerk of Durham QM 'for a long period' (11) and also Clerk of Stockton MM (12).

He died on 1 April 1798 and was interred at Friends Burial Ground Darlington, 5 April (13).

#### PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Brief minute of Durham QM in TCMD vol.4 p.140

#### OTHER PRINCIPAL SOURCES :

The Diary of James Backhouse 1747-1752 in Jnl Friends hist.soc. vol.15 (1918) pp.21-26 [cited: 'Diary']  
J. Backhouse: Select family memoirs (York, pr. pr., 1831) pp.32-40

#### NOTES AND REFERENCES :

1. Lancs QM Births Digest

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— follows &c. (Liverpool 1829) p.86

Gentleman's Magazine 1798 vol.1 pp.388, 426

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REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

- 3 Listed in Durham QM Births, Marriages and Burials Digests as follows:-  
Jonathan b 2 viii [Oct] 1747 m 1774 Ann Pease (1745/6-1826 qv)  
James b 29 June 1757 d 1804  
N.B. Joseph Foster, The descendants of John Backhouse, yeoman,  
London 1894, p 17 gives Jonathan's birth as 13.x. [Dec] 1747  
4 Durham QM Burials Digest: he is described as a banker

SEE ALSO:-

F.G.Cash: Records of James Jenkins (reproduced from Friends Quarterly Examiner)

S.Stansfield: Memoirs of Ruth Follows, Liverpool 1829, p 86  
Gentleman's Magazine 1798, vol 1, pp 388, 426

MS Diary, 1747-1752 MS Box V (Friends House Library)

Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 13, pp 12, 14: vol 15,  
pp 18, 26: vol 21, pp 62, 66

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- 3 Listed in Durham QM Births, Marriages and Burials Digests as follows:-  
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Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 13, pp 12, 14: vol 15,  
pp 18, 26: vol 21, pp 62, 66

WBE:

Additional information:

BACKHOUSE, James, 1720/21-1798.

Also manufactured worsted.

Founding of Darlington Bank was unintentionally  
(as it were) as an adjunct to their business.

J. F. H. S., 21: 66.

A history of Messrs. Backhouse & co., 1896.

BACKHOUSE, James (1757-1804)

James Backhouse, the son of James Backhouse (1720/1-1798 qv) and his wife Jane, born Hedley, was born at Darlington on 29 June 1757(1). He was married in 1787 to Mary Dearman (1764-1838 qv), the daughter of Nathan Dearman (1741-1811 qv) of Thorne and Barnsley in Yorkshire(2) and there were ten children(3).

He became extensively engaged in business as a flax dresser and linen manufacturer and in the year 1774, in conjunction with two of his sons, he established a bank at Darlington. For a long period he filled the office of clerk to Durham Quarterly Meeting and was also for a time clerk to Stockton Monthly Meeting. In later life he was active in the ministry and visited Friends in Great Britain, Ireland and Holland(4).

He was a man of an amiable and peaceable disposition, kind and unassuming in his manners, an affectionate husband and a tender parent. He was a lover of all good men and one who walked in the fear of God(5).

He developed epilepsy in 1803 and from that time onwards his health steadily declined. James Backhouse of Darlington died on 18 December 1804, at the age of forty seven(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Joseph Foster, The Descendants of John Backhouse, London 1894, p 34

His birth is not traced in Durham QM Births Digest

2 The wedding was at Thorne in Yorkshire on 8 June 1787: he is described as of Darlington, Durham, the son of James Backhouse, a banker and Jane Backhouse of Darlington in Durham; she is described as the daughter of Nathan, a shopkeeper, and Mary Dearman of Thorne in Yorkshire (Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest)

3 Listed in Durham QM Births and Burials Digests and the Digest of Deaths as follows:-

Nathan	b 28 March 1788	d 9 Nov 1805, aged 17
Jane	b 21 Jan 1790	d unmarried 23 March 1818*
Thomas qv	b 15 June 1792	m (1) 1826 Hannah Stickney (Yorks QM Marriages) (2) 1837 Abigail Dent (1814-1841qv)
James qv	b 8 July 1794	m 1822 Deborah Lowe (1793-1827qv)
Mary	b 13 March 1796	m 1822 Richard Janson*
Joseph	b 19 May 1798	m 1825 Mary Ann Holmes (Norfolk & Norwich QM)
Elizabeth	b 9 Feb 1800	d unmarried 3 Dec 1882
Sarah	b 7 Jan 1802	d 18 Jan 1802*
Sarah qv	b 30 March 1803	d unmarried 1 July 1877
Ann Dorothy	b 13 May 1805	d unmarried 16 April 1829

\*Information from Joseph Foster, op cit; the marriages and death are not traced in Durham QM Marriages and Burials Digests

REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

- 4 J Friends Hist Soc vol 15 (1918) p 22
- 5 James Backhouse, Select Family Memoirs, 1831, pp 127-130
- 6 Durham QM Burials Digest: he is described as a banker

SEE ALSO:-

J Friends Hist Soc vol 16, p 114: notice of marriage in The Gentleman's Magazine

PUBLICATIONS

A Map of the meetings belonging to the Quarterly Meetings of Lancaster, Westmorland, Cumberland, Northumberland, Durham and York - 1773

Joseph Smith's Catalogue, Sup. p 50

WBE:

BACKHOUSE, James, -1804.

Of Darlington, England.

Author: A Map of the meetings, belonging to the  
Quarterly Meetings of Lancaster, Westmoreland, Cumberland,  
Northumberland, Durham, and York, 1773.

d. 1804, at Darlington.

Jos. Smith's Cat., suppl.: 30.

BACKHOUSE, James (1794-1869)

James Backhouse was born at Barlington 8 July 1794, the son of James (jr.) and Mary Backhouse (1).

He married 5 Nov. 1822, at Tottenham, Deborah (1793-1827 q.v.) daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Lowe of Worcester (2).

He died 20 Jan. 1869, in his 75th year, and was buried at York 25 Jan. (3).

NOTES AND REFERENCES

- 1 Durham QM Births digest
- 2 London & Middx QM Marriages digest. He is described as Nursery & Seedsman.  
Children:

Elizabeth	born 4 Aug. 1823
James	born 22 Oct. 1825
Mary	born 18 July 1827

- Yorks QM Births digest 1776-1837
- 3 Digest of burial notes. His residence is given as Holdgate, York, and he is described as Nurseryman.

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BACKHOUSE, James (1794-1869)

James Backhouse was born at Darlington on 8th July, 1794, the son of James and Mary Backhouse. Even as a child he manifested a great interest in religious matters and when still quite young felt a call to the ministry. He first spoke as a minister at Norwich when he was 20 years of age. He removed to York in 1816, and was recorded a minister by York Monthly Meeting in 1824. Most of his life was devoted to the service of the ministry and between 1824 and 1865 his Monthly Meeting recorded no less than 39 minutes sanctioning various activities which he undertook under concern. The most extensive of these engagements was a mission to Australia, the Mauritius and Cape Colony which he undertook with his friend George Washington Walker. They were away nine years during which time they visited many convict stations, ministering to the prisoners and also to the general population of these colonies, in addition to the work they did amongst members of our own Society. James Mackhouse returned to England in 1841, and two years later he attended Yearly Meeting in Dublin. In 1853, and again in 1860 he visited Norway. Besides these more distant journeys, he undertook constant service with his own particular meetings and also visited many meetings in England and Scotland. The experiences he gained in his travels supplied him with material for a number of small religious tracts which he published from time to time. He was a staunch supporter of the cause of temperance.

James Backhouse had a simple childlike faith which stood him in good stead in his work among the outcast and downtrodden people among whom he worked in Australia and South Africa. For him the Christian life was a joyful one and his service was willingly and cheerfully rendered. His occupation as a nurseryman had induced in him a great admiration and awe for all the works of nature. 'The great Creator pronounced them all good, and I have found them to be so'.

He died on 20th January, 1869, in his 75th year.

Testimony of Yorkshire QM in YM Proc. 1869, p.xii

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He died on 20 January 1869, in his 75th year (4).

### PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Yorkshire QM in YM Proc. 1869, p.xii

### REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. Durham QM Births Digest
2. The wedding was at Tottenham on 5 November 1822; he is described as nurseryman and seedsman; she is described as the daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Lowe of Worcester (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)

\* he attended  
Yearly Meeting in  
Dublin. In 1853, and  
again in 1860

BACKHOUSE, James (1794-1869) cont.

REFERENCES AND NOTES, CONT.

3. Listed in Yorkshire OM Births Digests as follows:-

Elizabeth born 4 August 1823  
James born 22 October 1825  
Mary born 18 July 1827

4. Digest of Burial Notes: his residence is given as Hollegate,  
York and he is described as nurseryman. He was buried at  
York on 25 January.

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WBE:

Additional information:

BACKHOUSE, James, 1794-1869.

Nurseryman, also naturalist and botanist.

ed. under Joseph Tatham, Leeds, Eng.

Wife d. 1827.

During visit to Australia and Tasmania, beginning 1831, generally travelled on foot. On visit to South Africa, travelled by "Cape waggon" nineteen months.

Wrote on total abstinence, plainness (simplicity), and worship, and against oaths, concerts and fancy-dress balls.

Wrote: A concise apology for the peculiarities of the Society of Friends, Hobart-Town, 1833.

A narrative of a visit to the Australian colonies, 1843.

A narrative of a visit to the Mauritius and South Africa, 1844.

Wore a beard. Was below average s tature.

A minister about 45 years.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:152.

Jones, Later Periods of Qu., 2: 880.

Friends Hist. Lib., Swarthmore, Pa., BX 7616 and 7795.

Qu. Col. Haw..(portrait).

Bul. Friends Historical Assn., 37, no. 2: 68.

Biog. Cat., p. 29.

An. Mon. (N. S.), 28: 6.

Friends Qu. Exam., 16 (1870): 588.

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WBE:

Additional information:

BACKHOUSE, James, 1794-1869. (Page 2)

Memoir of James Backhouse, 1870.

The Friend (London), 9(1869): 55, 71.

Friends of a half century, p. 57 (portrait).

The Friend (London), 91 (1933): 8 (portrait),

Extracts from the letters of James Backhouse. . . , 1838, etc.

BACKHOUSE, James (1861-1945)

James Backhouse was born on 14 April 1861, the son of James (1825-1890 qv) and Mary (1834-1897, , born Robson) of York (1). He was educated at Bootham School and followed his father as a nurseryman in the family business at York (2). Like his father and his grandfather James Backhouse (1794-1869 qv) he was an enthusiastic naturalist. He wrote a Handbook of European birds, for the use of field naturalists and collectors, 1890, and Upper Teesdale, past and present, 1896. He was a Fellow of the Linnaean Society, of the Zoological Society and of the Royal Horticultural Society, and a member of the British Ornithologists' Union, as well as serving as secretary to the ornithological section of the Yorkshire Naturalists' Union and honorary curator of ornithology to the Yorkshire Philosophical Society. (3)

On 15 May 1890, he married Mabel Grace Robson (1871-1964 qv) (4); four children of the marriage are recorded (5). The family lived first at Holgate, York, then from the early 1890s at Harrogate until moving to Scarborough about 1905 and to Knaresborough by 1912. About 1923, James and Mabel Grace Backhouse retired to Caer Tegla, Arthog, Merioneth. (6)

James Backhouse died on 1 January 1945, aged 83, and was buried at Arthog churchyard (7).

REFERENCES & NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: the place of birth is given as West Bank, Holgate, York, and his parents are entered as James the younger, nurseryman, and Mary Backhouse of York.
- 2 Bootham School register, 1935, p 28: he was at Bootham from 1874 to 1878
- 3 Ibid.; Bootham School register, 1914, p 16. He was also a frequent contributor in the 1880s and 1890s to the Natural history journal, conducted by the societies in Friends' schools (eg, 'Hints for field observations abroad' in the Journal vol 16 no 138 (15 April 1892, pp 33-35).
- 4 Digest of Marriages, where he is described as a bachelor and nurseryman of York, son of James Backhouse, nurseryman; and she as a spinster of Saffron Walden, Essex, daughter of Walter Robson, grocer &c. The marriage took place at Saffron Walden FMH.
- 5 The children are given as follows in Digest of Births:

James	b 15 Aug 1892
Kathleen Robson	b 21 April 1894
George Dearman	b 27 Jan 1898
Oscar	b 18 July 1900

The place of birth is in each case given as Harrogate, and the father described as a nurseryman. The children were educated respectively at Bedales School, Petersfield (Pickering & Hull MM List of members, 1909, p 47; at the Mount School, York (Register of old scholars, [1932], p 92); and Sidcot School (Sidcot School register, 1958, p 8 for George D. and Oscar Backhouse).

BACKHOUSE, James (1861-1945) cont

REFERENCES & NOTES cont

- 6 Yorkshire QM Lists of members, 1893-1924. They were still at Knaresborough in the 1922 list, but had moved to North Wales by 1924.
- 7 Digest of Deaths, where he is described as of Caer Tegla, Arthog, Merioneth.

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BACKHOUSE, James Jr., 1825-1890.

Nurseryman.

b. 1825, s. James and Deborah (Lowe) Backhouse.

Early pupil of John Ford at York Boys School.

m. Mary Robson.

Associated with his father and his uncle in the nursery business.

Minister. Accompanied his father to Norway.

Fellow of Linnaean Society; Fellow of Geological Society.

Wrote: Is war lawful for the Christian? York, 1860.

Will it stand the test? York, 1864.

Lecture of French Protestantism in the 17th and 18th centuries, 1884.

Honour to whom honour. . ., 1884.

A Handbook of European Birds, etc., 1890.

Monograph upon British Hieracia.

Had a tremulous voice; never had robust health.

d. 31 August 1890, West Bank, York, age 65.

An. Mon. (N. S.), 49: 11.

The Friend (London), 30 (1890): 264.

Jos. Smith's Cat., suppl.: 30.

BACKHOUSE, Jane (1718-1805) born Hedley

Jane Hedley, the daughter of Jonathan Hedley (1693/4-1763 qv) and his wife Mary (born Severs, ) of Darlington in county Durham, was born there on 16.x.[December] 1718(1).

She was married in 1746 to James Backhouse (1720/1-1798 qv), a flax dresser and linen manufacturer of Darlington and there were two children(2). Later on her husband opened, with his two sons, the bank at Darlington(3).

Jane Backhouse of Darlington died on 27 May 1805, at the age of eighty six(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and children see BACKHOUSE, James (1720/1-1798)
- 3 See entry for BACKHOUSE, James (1720/1-1798)
- 4 Durham QM Burials Digest: she is described as the widow of James

SEE ALSO:-

Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 15, pp 22, 24, 25

BACKHOUSE, Jane (1787-1873) after 1815 Robson

(Jane Backhouse, daughter of Jonathan Backhouse (1747-1826 qv)  
and his wife Ann (born Fease, 1746-1826 qv) of Darlington,  
was married in 1815 to Edward Robson (1791-1819 qv).

See ROBSON, Jane (1787-1873) born Backhouse )

BACKHOUSE, Jane Eliza (1827- ) after 1862 Simpson

[Jane Eliza Backhouse, daughter of Joseph Backhouse (1798-1881 qv) and his wife Mary Ann (born Holmes, 1791-1874 qv), was married in 1862 to William Simpson (1825-1869 qv).]

See SIMPSON, Jane Eliza (1827- ) born Backhouse ]

BACKHOUSE, John ( -1690)

John Backhouse of Moss Side, near Yealand Redmayne, Lancs. was the ancestor of a long line of Quakers, many of whom have occupied and still occupy important positions within the Society and without. In 1650, he married Sarah Jackson (1626?-1706) who became a Minister but did not travel much (Piety Promoted).

Foster, The Descendants of John Backhouse, of Yealand Redman, Yeoman, 1894.

Note by N. Penney in Fox's Journal, Camb. ed. 1911 vol.2 p.395

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**BACKHOUSE, John (1784-1847)**

John Backhouse, the youngest son of Jonathan and Ann Backhouse, was born at Darlington on 20 March 1784. In 1809 he married Eliza Church of Cork, who died in September 1812. The shock of her death produced a great change in his life, and in due course he began to appear in the ministry, being recorded by Darlington M.M. in 1821.

daughter of Jasper and Ann Capper of Stoke Newington

In 1823 he married Katharine Capper./ Six years later, the health of his eldest daughter caused anxiety and he went with her to the continent where, however, she died. In 1836 and the few following years he undertook, alone or with his wife, several religious visits. In 1841, however, he lost the use of his lower limbs, but after two years comparative helplessness he was able to walk with a little assistance and to resume attendance at meetings for worship.

In August 1847 he was removed to Shull, a favourite country residence about 20 miles from Darlington, where he died on 17 August, aged 63 years. His body was interred in Friends burial ground Darlington.

**Testimony in of Darlington M.M. in Testimonies 1848, p.7.**

WBE:  
Additional information:

BACKHOUSE, John, 1784-1847.

Childhood home "a sheltered, comfortable home."

3 children by first wife.

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An. Mon., (N. S.), 6(1848): 14.

The Friend (London), 5(1848): 180.

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Born Pease  
1746-1826

### BACKHOUSE, John (1784-1847)

John Backhouse, the youngest son of Jonathan Backhouse (1747-1826 qv) and his wife Ann of Darlington, was born there on 20 March 1784(1). During his youth he was sometimes aware of the presence of God, but he was a strong and lively young man, surrounded by the material blessings of a sheltered and comfortable home and he was unwilling to submit himself to the yoke of Christ.

In 1809 he married Eliza Church of Cork(2) and they had three children(3), but Eliza died very suddenly in 1812(4), after the birth of her third child and the shock of her death and the sorrow he endured turned his heart at last towards his Maker. He continued long in deep depression and conflict of mind, but in 1813 he received a gift in the ministry and thereafter was more at peace. The care of his three little children occupied him very much and helped to cheer his loneliness, but in spite of his ministerial work he was much tried and discouraged in his solitary way of life.

In 1815 he went to Earlham to see Priscilla Gurney, but this visit did not receive any encouragement(5). In 1823 he married Katherine Capper (1792-1882 qv) of London(6), but although the marriage was childless(7) this union proved a great blessing to him throughout the remainder of his life. Six years later the health of his eldest daughter caused anxiety and he went with her to the continent where, however, she died.

In 1836 and the few following years he undertook, alone or with his wife, several religious visits. In 1839 he attended London Yearly Meeting for the last time, having previously been given a certificate for visiting Friends in several counties and felt this visit to be a source of peace and satisfaction. About this time he curtailed the time he devoted to his business concerns, in order to have more time to give to the service of God. In 1840 he was seriously ill and although there were intermissions in his illness when he recovered a little of his bodily strength and was able to attend meetings, he remained very frail. Shortly before his death he retired to Shull, in the west of the county of Durham, a place where from his early days he had passed many happy hours. The change benefitted him for a little while, but he grew increasingly feeble and died at Shull on 17 August 1847(8). His body was interred at Friends' burial ground at Darlington.

#### PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1848 pp 14-25:

Testimony of Darlington MM in Testimonies 1848, p 7

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BACKHOUSE, John (1784-1847)

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given in John's entry, but he is described as a banker in the entry for John's sister Ann on 28 October 1785
- 2 There is no record of the marriage in Durham QM Marriages Digest; it probably took place in Ireland and is not at present (1975) traced
- 3 Listed in Durham QM Births Digest, the children of John and Elizabeth:-  
 Ann b 2 May 1810  
 John Church b 3 August 1811  
 Eliza b 2 September 1812
- 4 Durham QM Burials Digest: she died on 3 September 1812
- 5 MS note by Norman Penney from an unknown source
- 6 The wedding was at White Hart Court, Gracechurch Street on 13 August 1823: he is described as a banker of Darlington, the son of Jonathan and Ann Backhouse; she is described as the daughter of Jasper and Ann Capper of Gracechurch Street, London (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)
- 7 No children are recorded in Durham QM Births Digest
- 8 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a banker

SEE ALSO:-

- The Friend (London) vol 5 (1848) p 180  
 Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 20 (1923) p 63n;  
 vol 23 (1926) p 90n; vol 24 (1927) p 23; vol 26 (1929) pp 30,31

**BACKHOUSE, John Church (1811-1858)**

John Church Backhouse, the son of John Backhouse (1784-1847 qv) and his wife Eliza, born Church, of Darlington, was born there on 3 August 1811(1). He was married in 1843 to Anna Gurney, the only daughter of Joseph John Gurney (1788-1847 qv)(2) and there were two children(3).

He was naturally reserved and a man of high intellectual attainments, so that he shrank from too close an intercourse with his fellow men, and the early death of his wife in 1848(4) tended to increase his love of retirement. From boyhood his conduct was actuated by high principles and as he grew up to take his place in life uncompromising integrity was a marked feature of his character. He was also remarkably free from any tendency to criticise others and was rarely heard to say anything to their disadvantage.

His health had always been delicate, although his decline was gradual. He died on 10 November 1858(5) at the age of forty seven.

**PRINCIPAL SOURCE**

Annual Monitor 1860, pp 28-31

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 Durham Of Births Digest: his father is described as a linen manufacturer; his mother's name is given as Elizabeth
- 2 The wedding was at Norwich on 8 November 1843: he is described as a bachelor, a banker of Darlington in Durham, the son of John Backhouse, a banker; she is described as a spinster of Earlham, Norwich, the daughter of Joseph John Gurney, a banker (Digest of Marriages)
- 3 Listed in the Digests of Births and Deaths as follows:-  
John Henry b 22 Oct 1844  
Eliza Jane b 23 March 1847 who d 26 Nov 1847
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she died on 17 January 1848; her name is given as Hannah, the wife of John Church
- 5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a banker of Blackwell, near Darlington

**SEE ALSO:-** Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 14, p 183:  
vol 15, p 144: vol 25, p 84

BACKHOUSE, John Henry (1844-1869)

John Henry Backhouse, the son of John Church Backhouse (1811-1858 qv) and his wife Anna<sup>\*</sup>, born Gurney, the only daughter of Joseph John Gurney (1788-1847 qv) of Blackwell, Darlington, was born there on 22 October 1844(1).

He was an exceptionally gifted boy and his talents had been well cultivated by industry and perseverance. In early youth he had a true realisation of the love of God, but as his mind developed he pursued intellectual achievement too eagerly and his early religious feelings were to some extent overlaid. But his life showed much promise of varied and extensive usefulness, until it was tragically cut short on 20 July 1869, at the early age of twenty four(2).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1870, pp 16-18

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a banker
- 2 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a banker

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

\*The Annual Monitor erroneously gives her name as Jane

**BACKHOUSE, Jonathan (1747-1826)**

Jonathan Backhouse, the son of James Backhouse (1720/21-1798 qv) and his wife Jane (born Hedley, 1718-1805 ) of Darlington in the county of Durham, was born there on 2.viii.(October)1747(1). He was married in 1774 to Ann Pease (1745/6-1826 qv) of Darlington(2) and there were ten children(3).

The family of Backhouse were linen drapers and worsted manufacturers, doing a banking business in conjunction with their regular trade before they started the bank as a separate and independent institution. The banking firm of Backhouse & Co was established in 1774 by Jonathan Backhouse and his father and confidence in it was soon confirmed. In 1798 its style was changed to Jonathan Backhouse & Co and it retained this title until 1896, when it was amalgamated with the group which formed Barclay and Company Ltd, thus doing business as a private bank for nearly a century. It survived several panics in the banking business, which were surmounted by Backhouse & Co without placing any inconvenience upon their customers and in 1803, during another commercial alarm when many banks stopped payment, a guarantee of confidence in the bank was made by local merchants.

In 1815, when Mowbray, Hollingworth & Co stopped payment, there was a run on other local banks and gold was demanded instead of notes; at this juncture some of the leading citizens made a public announcement of their confidence in Backhouse & Co, in a document which included most of the influential names in the district. In the same year a permanent branch of the bank was established at Durham, where hitherto there had only been an agency and in 1825 its activities spread to Newcastle-on-Tyne, rapidly growing in importance as a business centre.

But Jonathan Backhouse's business success never overshadowed his religious faith and his gratitude to God, whom he saw as the author of all the favours bestowed on him. He was humble and diffident in his private life, a loving husband and an affectionate father.

Jonathan Backhouse of Darlington died very suddenly and peacefully, sitting in his chair, on 11 November 1826, at the age of seventy nine(4).

**PRINCIPAL SOURCES**

P.W.Matthews and Anthony W.Tuke, History of Barclay's Bank Ltd.,  
London 1926, pp 198-202  
Annual Monitor 1828, pp 5-6

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given  
Joseph Foster, The descendants of John Backhouse, yeoman, 1894  
p 17 gives his date of birth as 13.x. (December) 1747
- 2 The wedding was at Darlington on 12 May 1774: he is described as a linen manufacturer of Darlington, the son of James and Jane Backhouse of Darlington; she is described as the daughter of Edward and Elizabeth Pease of Darlington (Durham QM Marriages Digest)
- 3 Listed in Durham QM Births, Marriages and Burials Digests and in the Digest of Deaths as follows:-
 

William	b 15 Feb 1775	d 19 Jan 1779
Jane	b 27 March 1776	d 13 March 1786
Elizabeth qv	b 12 Sept 1777	m 1799 Thomas Richardson (1773-1835 qv)
Jonathan qv	b 19 Jan 1779	m 1811 Hannah Chapman Gurney (1787-1850 qv)
William qv	b 17 Nov 1779	m 1806 Mary Dixon (1783-1874 qv)
Edward qv	b 9 July 1781	m 1807 Mary Robson (1789-1860 qv)
James	b 11 Nov 1782	d 26 July 1837
John qv	b 20 March 1784	m (1) 1809 Eliza Church of Cork (2) 1823 Katherine Capper (1792-1882 qv) (London & Mdx QM)
Ann qv	b 28 Oct 1785	d unmarried 7 Aug 1852
Jane qv	b 3 May 1787	m 1815 Edward Robson (1791-1819 qv)
- N.B. The information about the births, deaths and marriages of these children is confirmed in Joseph Foster, op cit, pp 17-22
- 4 Durham QM Burials Digest: he is described as a banker

SEE ALSO:-

Incidental reference in J Friends Hist Soc vol 15, pp 22, 25n

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BACKHOUSE, Jonathan, 1747-1826.

b. 13 X (Dec.) 1747, Darlington, Eng., s. James and  
Jane (Hedley) Backhouse.

m. Ann Pease, of Darlington (d. 1826).

Partner in Backhouse Bank of Darlington, a bank  
that never failed.

d. 11 Nov. 1826, Darlington, Eng., age 79.

Qu. Col. Hav..(portrait).

An. Mon. 16: 5.

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BACKHOUSE, Jonathan (1779-1842)

Jonathan Backhouse was born at Darlington on January 19th 1779 and was the son of Jonathan and Ann Backhouse of that place.

In 1811 he married Hannah Chapman Gurney of Norwich. He first appeared as a Minister about 1823. From 1830-35 he and his wife conducted religious services in America.

He died on October 7th 1842, aged nearly 64, and was buried in the Friends burial ground at Darlington.

Testimony of Darlington M.M. in Teastimonies 1843, p. 7

WBE:

Additional information:

BACKHOUSE, Jonathan, 1779-1842.

1840, with his wife visited Ireland.

Generous to the poor and needy. Interested in  
Bible distribution.

An originator of Great Ayton School. With his  
wife visited Scotland, where he was seized with paralysis.

d. suddenly.

History of Ayton School (portrait).

Qu. Col. Hav. (portrait).

An. Mon. (N S.), 1(1843): 6.

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**BACKHOUSE, Jonathan (1779-1842)**

Jonathan Backhouse, the son of Jonathan Backhouse (1747-1826 qv) and his wife Ann, born Pease (1746-1826 qv), was married in 1811 to Hannah Chapman Gurney (1787-1850 qv) of Norwich(1); there were six children of the marriage(2).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 The wedding was at Norwich on 23 April 1811: he is described as a banker of Darlington, the son of Jonathan and Ann Backhouse; she is described as the daughter of Joseph and Jane Gurney of Norwich (Norfolk & Norwich QM Marriages Digest)
- 2 Listed in Durham QM Births Digest as follows:-

Jonathan	b 5 Sept 1812
Jane Gurney	b 21 May 1814
Ann	b 31 Dec 1815
Joseph Gurney	b 15 Sept 1817
Henry Gurney	b 15 July 1819
Edmund	b 28 Nov 1824

SEE ALSO:- J Friends Hist Soc vol 7 (1910) p 17: anecdote on the burning of a banknote

Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 10, p 112: vol 11, pp 201,202: vol 12, p 73: vol 14, pp 109, 120n, 135: vol 16, p 124: vol 20, p 71: vol 21, p 83: vol 22, pp 22,71: vol 24, pp 22-24, 29n  
Sup 23 (Slavery & the Women Question) pp 25 & note, 32, 33, 40

BACKHOUSE, Joseph (1798-1881)

Joseph Backhouse, the son of James Backhouse (1757-1804 qv) and his wife Mary (born Dearman, 1764-1838 qv) of Darlington in the county of Durham, was born there on 19 May 1798(1). His father died when he was a child and in 1817 his mother moved with her large family to York(2).

Joseph became a tanner at York(3) and was married in 1825 to Mary Ann Holmes (1791-1874 qv) of Tivetshall in Norfolk(4); there were three children, the youngest of whom was born and died in America(5).

Joseph Backhouse of Gainford in county Durham died on 18 January 1881, at the age of eighty two(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: his father is described as a banker  
His mother was the daughter of Nathan Dearman (1741-1811 qv)  
of Wakefield in Yorkshire
- 2 Annual Monitor 1878, p 9
- 3 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 4
- 4 The wedding was at Tivetshall on 21 April 1825: he is described as a tanner of York, the son of James and Mary Backhouse of Darlington; she is described as the daughter of John and Mary Holmes of Tivetshall in Norfolk (Norfolk & Norwich QM Marriages Digest)
- 5 Children given in Joseph Foster, Descendants of John Backhouse, London 1894, p 38 and in the Digest of Marriages as follows:-

Mary Matilda	b 15 Feb 1826	d 23 June 1828
Jane Eliza	b 28 June 1827	m 1862 William Simpson
Mary	b 1834	d 1834 at Michigan, U.S.A.
- 6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a gentleman

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

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**BACKHOUSE, Katherine (1792-1882) born Capper.**

Katherine Backhouse was a daughter of Jasper and Ann Capper of Stoke Newington, and became the second wife of John Backhouse of Darlington (1784-1847) in 1823. She was recorded a Minister in 1814. She was Clerk to the Women's Y.M. five times between 1835 and 1858. This active little Friend is well remembered, as making her way from Beechwood to the Meeting House, and taking her seat at the head of the women's side of the house, without waiting or entering into conversation.

**Testimony**  
**MSS. in Friends House Library**

**Note by Norman Penney: Pen Pictures 1930, p.180**

*see also next page*

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BACKHOUSE, Katharine (1792-1882) born Capper

Katharine Capper was born at Stoke Newington in 1792, the daughter of Jasper and Anne Capper. She was recorded as a minister by Gracechurch Street Monthly Meeting in 1814, and during the early part of her life travelled frequently, her first journey being to Kent in company with Isaac Stephenson.

In 1823 she became the wife of John Backhouse, of Darlington, and remained a member of that meeting until her death. She had no children of her own, but was a true mother to her stepchildren. From her early years the care of the poor occupied a large part of her time and this continued after her husband's death in 1847.

For many years she was Clerk of the Women's Yearly Meeting, a position for which she was well qualified by her cheerfulness, tact, sound judgment and controlling power.

'Her communications in the ministry were usually brief, but lively, pointed, and made additionally powerful by the loving spirit in which they were uttered.

Her absolute acceptance of God's will as the rule of her life was very striking. Amid a life of many changes and some keen trials, she received both joys and sorrows as messages from her Father in heaven, and, even when bowed with grief, delighted to number her mercies. When she believed that the Lord was calling her to action, her prompt obedience was equally remarkable. However contrary to her natural inclination the service might be, she seemed to have but one motto: "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it."!

Katharine Backhouse died on 16 March 1882, aged eighty-nine years.

Testimony of Durham QM in YM Proc. 1883, p.iv

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WBE:

Additional information:

BACKHOUSE, Katharine (Capper), 1792-1882.

Mother was Ann (or Anne) (Fry) Capper.

1809, she studied Greek, to be able to read to  
Joseph Gurney Bevan.

Vaccinated upwards of 1000 children.

1811, first spoke in meeting at Gracechurch St.

1831-1840, travelled much in the ministry.

Wrote: A memoir of Mary Capper, 1847.

An address to the Society of Friends, 1856.

'Tis said that more than 300 persons called her  
"Aunt," and that she knew something of each one of them.

Friends Hist. Lib., Swarthmore, Pa., BX 7616.

Qu. Col. Hav. (portrait).

The Friend (London), 22(1882): 99.

An. Mon., 41(1883): 3.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1: 157.

BACKHOUSE, Katharine (Aldam) (1815-1868) born Aldam

Katharine Aldam, the daughter of William and Sarah Aldam of Leeds, was born there on 12 October 1815(1). In 1843 she became the second wife of William Backhouse (1807-1869 qv) and there were five children(2).

They lived in Darlington and she enjoyed good health, but having planned with pleasure to have her family round her for a few days, she died quietly in her sleep on 27 December 1868, at the age of fifty three(3).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1870, pp 14-15

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire Q/B Births Digest: her father is described as a merchant
- 2 For marriage and children see BACKHOUSE, William (1807-1869)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as of St John's, Stanhope, the wife of William

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

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BACKHOUSE, Katharine (1831-1906) born Mounsey  
*(1793-1850 qv) (born Copper, 1795-1870 qv)*

Katharine Mounsey, the daughter of Thomas and Mary Mounsey of Bishopwearmouth in the county of Durham, was born there on 10 May 1831(1). As a child she was much troubled by a sense of sin, until at the age of seven a good Methodist woman who was putting her to bed showed her how to trust in the love of Jesus Christ and this love and certainty never again deserted her. She was educated at Clifton and her school days were very happy.

She was married in 1856 to Edward Backhouse (1808-1879 qv), a coal owner and banker of Sunderland, but the marriage was apparently childless(2). She was a great support and help to her husband in all his charitable work and for many years took a great interest in the Rescue Home which they maintained for young women in distress. She was a much valued president of the Sunderland Young Women's Christian Association since it opened in 1875, she worked among the Jews and the children's branch of the Sunderland Missionary Helpers' Union, started by her in 1886, held its meetings at her home during the winter months.

The work at the Pottery Buildings set up by her husband in 1866 for workmen and sailors frequenting the port of Sunderland was, however, her principal life's work and after her husband's death she regarded it as a sacred trust to be carried on to the utmost of her power. She devoted twenty seven years of her widowhood to it and her voice was often heard in prayer and testimony. She was recorded a minister by Newcastle Monthly Meeting in August 1877(3); her love and reverence for the Bible were very marked and its study was an unfailing delight to her. Although naturally of a retiring disposition she made great efforts at whatever cost to be a faithful witness to the Lord. She was never so absorbed in her own concerns that her loving interest and sympathy for others could not be counted on.

The dominant note of her last illness was her absolute peace and rest in the mercy of God. Katharine Backhouse of Sunderland died at Hexham on 5 June 1906, at the age of seventy four(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend vol 46 (1906) p 417

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: her father is described as a furrier John Foster, The Descendants of John Backhouse, yeoman, 1894, p 31 and The Friend give her name as Katharine
- 2 For marriage see BACKHOUSE, Edward (1808-1879)
- 3 Recorded 8 August 1877 (Friends House Library Index of recorded ministers)
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Edward; her name is spelt Katharine

BACKHOUSE, Katherine (1831-1906) born Mounsey

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SEE ALSO:-

The Friend vol 46 (1906) p 408: 2 line entry for death  
Annual Monitor 1907, p 2: 3 line entry for death  
Incidental reference in J Friends Hist Soc vol 4, p 144

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Her Christian name is spelt Katherine in Digest of Births and Digest of Marriages; also in the entry for her death in Annual monitor 1907 p 2. It is spelt Katharine, however, in Digest of Deaths; in The Friend entry for her death and obituary notice (The Friend ns vol 46 (1906) pp 408, 413); in the Newcastle MM printed list of members 1874 and in all subsequent Durham MM printed lists of members; in the obituary notice of her husband (Annual monitor 1880 p 21); in John Foster, The descendants of John Backhouse, yeoman, 1894, p 31 (though the index, p 86, uses Katherine); and in references to a bequest in J Friends hist soc vol 4, p 144. It appears, therefore, that Katharine is the preferred spelling of her name and it has been used here.

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WBE:

BACKHOUSE, Katharine, 1831-1906.

b. 1831, Sunderland, Eng., dau. Thomas  
and Mary Mounsey.

School at Clifton.

1856, m. Edward Backhouse, of Sunderland (d. ca. 1879).

Interested in Rescue Home.

1875, President of Y. W. C. A.

Took interest in the Jews.

Devoted herself to work at the Pottery Buildings.

ca. 1876, recorded as a minister.

d. 5 June, 1906, Hexham, age 74.

The Friend (London), 46(1906): 408, 417 (portrait).

An. Mon. (N. S.), 65(1907): 2.

BACKHOUSE, Lucy Backhouse (1882-1965) born Mounsey

Lucy B. Mounsey was born at Darlington on 10 March 1882, one of five children of Edward B. (1840-1911, qv) and Rachel Ann (born Fryer) Mounsey. She was educated mainly at home, except for a year in Dresden studying music and perfecting her German. In 1902 at the age of twenty she married her second cousin Edward Backhouse (1876-1922, qv) (1). Her husband held a high position in a banking firm in the north of England. However, with the coming of the war of 1914-18 he relinquished this position to take up work with the Cooperative Society in London, establishing a home at 50 Higher Drive in Purley.

Lucy lost her husband in 1922 as the result of a climbing accident in Switzerland. They had had no children, but she was devoted to her many nieces and nephews and to her many friends, to whom the house in Purley became a second home.

Lucy contributed much to Purley Meeting with her vocal ministry, her music and the warmth of her personality. She was devoted to Yearly Meeting and a regular attender of Meeting for Sufferings. She was deeply concerned with the work of the Friends' Service Council. She was an ardent supporter of the Friends' Fellowship of Healing, and a generous benefactor of Claridge House, the "Rest Home" run by that Fellowship at Lingfield. She served as hostess and housemother at the Home of Rest at Bad Pyrmont where her German, her music and her loving spirit were a healing influence.

Lucy died at her home of many years in Purley on 19 May 1965.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE:

Testimony of Kingston MM in YM Proc. 1966 p.75

NOTES & REFERENCES:

- 1 The wedding was at Darlington on 8 April 1902. He is described as Edward Backhouse, ~~a~~ bachelow, bank clerk, of Hurworth Grange, Hurworth-on-Tees, the son of James Edward Backhouse, banker; she is described as Lucy Backhouse Mounsey, spinster, of Blackwell Hill, Darlington, the daughter of Edward Backhouse Mounsey, coal owner. (Digest of Marriage Registers)

Margaret Backhouse was born at Darlington on May 4, 1887, the ninth  
of the ten children of James Edward (1845-1897qv) and Elizabeth  
Barclay (b Fowler, 1849-1911) Backhouse. Her father was a partner in  
Backhouse's Bank. (founded in 1774).

She was educated at The Mount and at Westhill, Birmingham, where she was among the inaugural students in 1907. In 1912 she went to Australia to spread Westhill 'ideas' and in 1915 she was appointed to the staff at Westhill, where she remained as lecturer and warden for twenty years, and where her approachability, her wise and tactful way of handling awkward situations and her serenity were greatly valued. She founded in 1919 the British Camp Fire Girls; an association of which she was president until 1934, she was an active firm participant in all the activities which the girls undertook.

In 1935, at the age of 48, she was forced, on doctor's orders, to resign her Westhill appointments, she spent part of the next year in visiting India and China, including Friends Service Council centres, and in 1938 she became a co-opted member of the Friends Service Council, when another lifetimes' work was before her. In 1942 she relinquished her brief clerkship of Warwickshire Monthly Meeting and with her friend Norah Ackerley, who was also on the staff of Westhill, she moved to London, to start work in the F.S.C. office, dealing with any work which had to be done. In 1943 she became chairman of F.S.C. and for the next eight years 'undertook a more strenuous programme than any of her predecessors, attending the office almost daily and making herself familiar with every aspect of the Council's work.'(1) She also during this period became vice-chairman of the Friends Relief Service, and in 1947 with others visited all the F.R.S. teams in Germany, to assess the work and pave the way for the closing down of the Friends Relief Service in May, 1948. She was able to do much in guiding the transfer of the remaining F.R.S. work to the Friends Service Council.

In 1947, Friends Service Council and the American Friends Service Committee were jointly awarded the Nobel Peace Prize and she and Henry J. Cadbury travelled to Oslo to receive it. In the following year she responded with Christopher Taylor to an urgent call to Madagascar, and then was needed with Paul Sturge in Philadelphia for consultations with A.F.S.C. The close of her eight years' service as chairman at the end of 1950 did not mean the end of her travels, in July 1951 she was one of the seven Friends who formed the (then almost unbelievable) Quaker delegation to the Soviet Union, and this was followed by a strenuous series of talks in this country and in Scandinavia and by service on the recently formed East-West Relations committee. In the meantime also, she rejoined the F.S.C. office as head of the Europe Dept. until the end of 1950, and her last service in this capacity (she was now 68) was an extended visit with Norah Ackerley to most centres of work on the continent - including Geneva, Lausanne, Montreux, Salonica, Vienna and Paris.

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BACKHOUSE, Margaret / ( 1887 - 1977 ) continued. 4.

Perhaps one of her favourite projects was the Girls' Domestic School at Salonica, which always had a special appeal for her and in 1960 she visited it again to open new buildings.

In 1958, she and Norah had moved from London to Sevenoaks, where they spent the remainder of their lives. Increasing deafness meant for Margaret that the London activities had to be given up but there was gardening, which she loved and also she was an amateur painter of some competence. She was a greatly loved member of her meetings whether at Bournville, Muswell Hill or at Sevenoaks, she never obtruded herself, but was always there to turn to. She was not emotional and distrusted displays of it in others and she kept part of herself quietly but intensely private. She served the Society on many committees.(2)

She died, suddenly, on March 23, 1977, while sowing seeds in her garden, only six weeks before her 90th birthday.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend Vol 135 (1977) pp. 356, 423/4

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. A quotation from a speech made at her retirement, taken from the obituary cited above, p. 423.
2. Typescript Committee Index - Friends House Library. This records her service as follows:-  
 Meeting for Sufferings ( in various capacities) 1938 - 1950, 1958 - 1959.  
 Agenda Committee 1939 - 1941, 1951 - 1952.  
 Australia & New Zealand Cttee. 1938 - 1941  
 Committee on Clerks 1939 - 1942  
 Friends Education Council 1937 - 1943  
 Friends Relief Service Cttee. 1943 - 1948, and as member of continuing  
     cttee for financial and legal purposes until 1960.  
 Friends Service Council ( in various capacities ) 1938 - 1967.  
 World Committee Affairs Committee 1945 - 1953.

BACKHOUSE, Mary Agnes (1844-1893)

Mary A. Backhouse was born at Sunderland on 4 February 1844, the second child and eldest daughter of Thomas James and Margaret (Richardson) Backhouse (1). She was recorded a minister by Newcastle Monthly Meeting in 1874. In 1877 she was granted a minute by her Monthly Meeting to visit some of our schools and to hold meetings with younger members in various parts of the country.

In 1885 she started a branch of 'Children and Young People's Scripture Union' and continued to take great interest in it.

Mary A. Backhouse established a training home for destitute or neglected girls, which she carried on for twenty years.

'Her ministry bore evidence of the baptising power of the Holy Spirit, and was especially helpful because of its definiteness and practical bearing on everyday life. The message was always clothed in such clear and simple language that it could not fail to bring one face to face with the truth she was enforcing. She had a special gift for speaking to the young, and not unfrequently joined with others in holding meetings for them.'

Mary Agnes Backhouse died 29 May 1893.

Testimony of Durham QM in YM Proc. 1894, p.149

References and notes

1 J. Foster, The descendants of John Backhouse, 1894, p.33

BACKHOUSE, Mary (1764-1838) born Dearman

Mary Dearman, the daughter of Nathan Dearman (1741-1811 qv) and his first wife Mary (born Huitson, 1739-1792 qv) of Thorne and Barnsley in Yorkshire, was born at Thorne on 25 October 1764(1).

She was married in 1787 to James Backhouse (1757-1804 qv), a flax dresser and later a banker of Darlington in county Durham and there were ten children(2).

After her husband's death she moved in 1817 with her large family to York(3), where she died on 24 May 1838 at the age of seventy four(4), a widow for about thirty four years.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and children see BACKHOUSE, James (1757-1804)
- 3 Annual Monitor 1878, p 9
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of James

SEE ALSO:-

Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 16, pp 114, 122

BACKHOUSE, Mary (1783-1874) born Dixon

Mary Dixon, the daughter of John Dixon (1762-1816 qv) and his wife Elizabeth, born Graham, of Cockfield in the county of Durham, was born there on 14 November 1783(1).

She was married in 1806 to William Backhouse (1779-1844 qv), a linen draper and banker of Darlington in county Durham and there were eight children(2).

Mary Backhouse of Chapel Town near Leeds died on 22 March 1874 at the age of ninety(3), a widow for about thirty years.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given  
She is recorded at birth as NM, suggesting that her mother was not  
at her marriage a member of the Society
- 2 For marriage and children see BACKHOUSE, William (1779-1844)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of William

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

**BACKHOUSE, Mary (1789-1860) born Robson**

Mary Robson, the daughter of Edward Robson (1763-1813 qv) and his wife Elizabeth (born Dearman, 1770-1843 qv) of Darlington in the county of Durham, was born there on 14 July 1789(1).

She was married in 1807 to Edward Backhouse (1781-1860 qv), a banker of Darlington and there were five children(2).

Mary Backhouse of Ashburne, Bishopwearmouth, died on 23 July 1860 at the age of seventy one(3), a few weeks after her husband.

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: her father is described as a draper  
Her mother was the daughter of Nathan Dearman (1741-1811 qv)  
of Wakefield in Yorkshire
- 2 For marriage and children see BACKHOUSE, Edward (1781-1860)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Edward

**SEE ALSO:-**

Annual Monitor 1861; p 2: 3 line entry for death

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

BACKHOUSE, Mary Ann (1791-1874) born Holmes

Mary Ann Holmes, the daughter of John and Mary Holmes of Tivetshall in Norfolk, was born there on 25 October 1791(1).

She was married in 1825 to Joseph Backhouse (1798-1881 qv), a tanner of York and there were three children(2).

Mary Ann Backhouse of Gainford in county Durham died on 28 March 1874, at the age of eighty two(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Norfolk & Norwich QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and children see BACKHOUSE, Joseph (1798-1881)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Joseph

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1875, p 2: 2 line entry for death, where she is described as the widow of Joseph

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

BACKHOUSE, Mary (1796-1824) after 1822 Janson

(Mary Backhouse, daughter of James Backhouse (1757-1804 qv)  
and his wife Mary (born Dearman, 1764-1838 qv) of Darlington,  
was married in 1822 to Richard Janson (1799-1830 qv).

See JANSON, Mary (1796-1824) born Backhouse )

BACKHOUSE, Mary (1834-1897) born Robson

*Robson* Mary Backhouse, the daughter of Isaac (1800-1885 qv) and Sarah *Robson* (1799-1855 qv), was born in Liverpool on 6 July 1834. (1) Four years later the family moved to Huddersfield where she spent a bright and happy childhood. She spent several years at the Q M's school in Castlegate, York.

In 1855 she married James Backhouse of York (1825-1890) (2), and there were four children (3). Her marriage introduced her to varied scientific and intellectual interests; the Backhouse home was genial welcoming and cultured. Despite the sorrow of losing two of their much loved children, Mary Backhouse entered lovingly into the joys and sorrows of others and visited those who were ill or lonely. The strain of nursing her husband and children caused a deterioration in her own health, however, and she was unable to take up some of the active duties she would gladly have undertaken, but the happy welcome to her own home continued until 1897 when a severe seizure of paralysis laid her low. She spoke thankfully of the mercies she had received and looked upon her death as a going home.

She served as an Elder for her Monthly Meeting. On October 21 1897 Mary Backhouse died at the age of 63.

#### PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual monitor 1899 p 2

#### REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Her father is described as a provision merchant. Lancashire QM  
' Births Digest.
- 2 The wedding was at Paddock on 7 June 1855. He is described as  
bachelor, nurseryman of Micklegate York, son of James Backhouse  
nurseryman.  
She is described as spinster of Dalton, daughter of Isaac Robson  
dyer.  
Digest of Marriage Registers.
- 3 Listed in Digest of Birth and Burial Notes as follows  

Mary Louisa	born 2 Sept 1857
James	born 14 April 1861
William Edward	born 5 Feb 1865 died 18 Sept 1883
Helen Robson	born 25 <del>March</del> Mar 1870. died 22 Aug 1870

WBE:

BACKHOUSE, Sarah, ca. 1626-1706.

b. ca. 1626, Lancashire, Eng.

1653, convinced by George Fox.

Minister. Travelled in England.

d. 30 V (July), 1706, Yealand-Redman or Redmayne,  
Lancashire, in her 80th year,  
a minister ca. 50 years.

[No references given.]

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BACKHOUSE, Sarah (1803-1877)

Sarah Backhouse, the daughter of James Backhouse (1757-1804 qv) and his wife Mary (born Dearman, 1764-1838 qv) of Darlington in the county of Durham, was born there on 30 March 1803(1). She was a very delicate child and at times it seemed doubtful that she would ever reach maturity. Her father died before she was two years old and in 1817 her widowed mother moved with her large family to York. Sarah was given a careful religious education by her mother, for which in later years she was very grateful.

Her health improved when she left school, the energy of her character developed and her religious experience deepened. When she was about twenty four she first spoke in meeting for worship and was acknowledged a minister in 1833, when she was about thirty. At intervals, as her health permitted, she visited meetings and families in various parts of England; she was a sensitive minister and was often able to give help and encouragement.

In 1827 the wife of her brother Thomas (1792-1845 qv) died and she went to look after him and his only child until his second marriage in 1837(2). During this time she was very ill and there seemed little hope of her recovery, but she gradually rallied and with her customary energy and cheerfulness resumed her social and religious duties. In 1845 her brother (who had been left a widower for a second time) died and she resumed the charge of his children.

For ten years, in conjunction with her friend Samuel Tuke (1784-1857 qv) she edited the Annual Monitor, which she felt a great responsibility. She was frequently ill, but she maintained a lively interest in her friends and in all who were carrying forward the Lord's work. She was often prevented from attending meeting, but she used these periods for quiet meditation and solitary communion with God. She also had much enjoyment in her house; she had always had a great love of natural beauty and her garden was a source of much pleasure to her. She was fortunate in possessing many friends and welcomed their visits.

She seemed a little better in the winter of 1876-7 and was able to be downstairs and about the house and even on warm spring days to go out into her garden. But the improvement did not last, her health deteriorated and Sarah Backhouse of Holdgate, York died on 1 July 1877, at the age of seventy four(3).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1878, pp 9-15

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BACKHOUSE, Sarah (1803-1877)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: her father is described as a banker
- 2 Annual Monitor 1878, p 10 erroneously gives the year of Thomas's second marriage as 1838: it was ~~1838~~ December 1837
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as a spinster

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SEE ALSO:-

- The Friend, vol 17 (1877) p 239: 2 line entry for death  
Family Portraiture, Memoirs of Samuel Tuke, 1860  
Incidental reference in J Friends Hist Soc vol 16, p 122

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WBE:

BACKHOUSE, Sarah, 1803-1877.

b. 30 March 1803, Darlington, Eng., dau. James and  
Mary Backhouse. Very frail in infancy. ca. 1805,  
her father died.

1817, moved to York.

1827, first spoke in meeting.

1833, acknowledged a minister.

Visited meetings and families in various parts of  
England.

1845, Took care of her brother Thomas's children.

For ten years in conjunction with her friend, Samuel  
Tuke, she edited the Annual Monitor.

Had repeated illnesses.

d. 1 July, 1877, Holgate House, York, age 74.

Qu. Col. Hav. (portrait).

An. Mon. (N. S.), 36: 9.

The Friend (London), 17(1877): 239.

BACKHOUSE, Sarah Jane (1838-1913) after 1866 Burtt

[Sarah Jane Backhouse, daughter of Thomas Backhouse (1792-1845 qv) and his second wife Abigail (born Dent, 1814-1841 qv) of York, was married in 1866 to Thomas Burtt (1823-1892 qv) of Wakefield in Yorkshire.

See BURTT, Sarah Jane (1838-1913) born Backhouse ]

BACKHOUSE, Sarah Aldam (1851-1931) aftw. Bowly.

[ Sarah Aldam Backhouse, daughter of  
Backhouse and his wife (nee  
                        ) was married in  
to Christopher Bowly.

see BOWLY, Sarah Aldam (1851-1931) born Backhouse ]

**BACKHOUSE, Thomas (1792-1845)**

Thomas Backhouse, the son of James and Mary Backhouse of Darlington in the county of Durham, was born there on 15 June 1792(1). He became a nurseryman at York(2) and in 1826 was married to Hannah Stickney(3); there was one child(4). Hannah Backhouse died in 1827(5), about six weeks after the birth of her daughter and in 1837 Thomas took as his second wife Abigail Dent (1814-1841 qv) of Doncaster(6); there were two children of this second marriage(7).

Abigail Backhouse died in 1841 when only twenty seven years old, leaving two young children. Her husband survived her by only a few years, dying at York on 21 March 1845(8), in his fifty third year.

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: his father is described as a linen manufacturer
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entries, notes 3 and 6
- 3 The wedding was at Owstwick in Yorkshire on 27 April 1826: he is described as a nurseryman of York, the son of James Backhouse (deceased) and Mary; she is described as the daughter of William, a yeoman, and Esther Stickney (Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Yorkshire QM Births Digest and the Digest of Marriages as follows:-  
Mary b 7 Nov 1827 who m 1851 William Farrer Moroyd
- 5 Yorkshire QM Burials Digest: she died on 23 December 1827
- 6 The wedding was at Doncaster on 13 December 1837: he is described as a widower, a nurseryman of York, the son of James Backhouse, a banker; she is described as a spinster of Doncaster, the daughter of William Dent, a farmer (Digest of Marriages)
- 7 Listed in the Digest of Births as follows:-  
Sarah Jane b 3 Nov 1838  
Thomas b 13 Aug 1840
- 8 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a nurseryman of York

**SEE ALSO:-**

Annual Monitor 1846 p 2: 1 line entry for his death  
Incidental reference in J Friends Hist Soc vol 16, p 122

BACKHOUSE, Thomas William (1842-1920)

T.W.Backhouse was born 14 August 1842 in Sunderland.

He was an enthusiastic lover of nature and a master in the sciences of astronomy and meteorology and this love was reflected in his ministry which was simple and direct. He was a recorded minister with an unusual gift of prayer which he usually exercised just after the meeting had gathered drawing all into fellowship. He had a special concern toward the children of the meeting.

He was a regular and punctual attender at meetings and for some years was clerk of Newcastle MM. The Adult School claimed his warm interest, as did the ~~Band~~<sup>Music</sup> Band of Hope and children's meetings. He was also a member of the local education committee.

Having a complete disregard of what was thought of him, he was not afraid to air unpopular views but, in spite of this and other peculiarities, he was well-respected. He was the friend of the helpless and was able to write letters in braille to the blind and to finger-speak to the deaf.

He died 13 March 1920.

Testimony of Newcastle MM in YM Proc. 1921, p. 268

WBE:

Additional information:

BACKHOUSE, Thomas William, 1842-1920.

s. Thomas James and Margaret Backhouse.

Bootham School. 2 years at London Univ.

Never married.

Equipped a  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in. telescope on the top of his house.

Compiled catalogue of near 10,000 stars visible to the naked eye. Kept meteorological records for 60 years.

Went once to India and three times to Spain to witness solar eclipses.

Fellow of Royal Astronomical Society.

Suffered disease in his foot. Naturally diffident.

d. Sunderland.

The Friend (London), 60(1920): 176.

BACKHOUSE, William (1694/5 or 1695/6-1761) 3

William Backhouse, the son of James Backhouse (1668-1697 qv) and his wife Jennet (born Godslove, ) of Yealand Conyers in Lancashire, was born at Yealnd on 13.i.1695 [i.e. possibly March 1694/5 but probably March 1695/6] (1). In 1697 his father died in Lancaster Castle, where he was imprisoned for non-payment of tithes and William was brought up by his mother(2).

He was married in 1720 to Agnes Atkinson (1697/8-1773 qv) of Low Wray near Hawkshead in Lancashire(3) and there were thirteen children(4). At the time of his marriage he was a yeoman(5), but he appears subsequently to have become a dealer in yarn(6). About April 1727 he moved from Yealand to Over Kellet in Lancashire(7).

Shortly after his marriage he received a gift in the ministry.. He travelled in the ministry into most parts of England and also to Scotland and Ireland. He went on a religious visit to America in 1734/5 and remained there until the autumn of 1736(8). In his ministry he was deliberate in expression and frequently scriptural in his openings. He diligently attended meetings for worship and discipline and was "serviceable" in the latter. In character he was cheerful, courteous and charitable.

William Backhouse of Over Kellet died on 21 May 1761, at the age of sixty six(9) and was buried in Friends' burying ground at Yealand.

#### PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Lancaster MM in TCMD vol 2, p 157

#### REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Lancashire QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given; the spelling Yelland is used \*
- 2 Joseph Foster, The descendants of John Backhouse, yeoman, London 1894, p 10 His mother Jennet Backhouse married again, in 1701, John Robinson of Yealand
- 3 The wedding was at Colthouse on 21.iv.[June] 1720: he is described as a yeoman of Yealand Conyers, Lancashire, the son of James Backhouse (deceased) late of Yealand Conyers; she is described as a spinster of Lowreay, near Hawkshead, Lancashire, the daughter of William Atkinson (deceased) of Conistone near Hawkshead (Lancashire QM Marriages Digest)  
This information is consistent with that given in Joseph Foster, op cit, p 15
- 4 Listed in Lancashire QM Births, Marriages and Burials Digests and in Joseph Foster, op cit pp 10, 15-17 as follows:-

James qv	b 22 i [March] 1720/1	m 1746 Jane Hedley (1718-1805 qv)
William	b 24 iii [May] 1724	m Elizabeth Thornton
Sarah	b 31 vi [Aug] 1726	d 1 Nov 1766
Jane	b 1 vii [Sept] 1728	d 1742
Agnes	b 14 viii [Oct] 1730	m 1764 John Harrison
John	b 30 i [March] 1733	m 1757 Jane Dodgson
Thomas	b 21 iii [May] 1736	d unmarried 1 Sept 1792
James		died young
John		died young
Dorothy	b 9 or 10 x [Dec] 1740	d unmarried 27 Nov 1829
Mary		died young
Margaret		died young
Ruth		died young

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\* WB's elder sister Sarah was born 6 v [July] 1694 which makes 1695/6 an almost certain year of birth for WB himself

REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

- 5 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 6 Joseph Foster, op cit, p 17
- 7 The Diary of James Backhouse, 1747: 1752, in J Friends Hist Soc vol 15 (1918) p 21
- 8 Ibid He was accompanied by John Burton
- 9 Lancashire QM Burials Digest: he is described as "A minister over 40 years"

SEE ALSO:-

- Piety Promoted (1854 ed.) vol 2, p 377
- Joseph Backhouse, Select family memoirs (York 1831) pp 19-26
- L.S. Hinchman, Early settlers of Nantucket their associates and Descendants (2nd ed, Philadelphia, 1901) p 320
- The Friend (Phila.) vol 5 (1831-2) p 306
- John Smith's MS, p 100
- Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vols 2, p 112; vol 10, pp 119  
127n, 226, 248; vol 12, p 181; vol 15, p 21; vol 25, p 85;  
vol 36, p 15
- James Bowden, History of Friends in America, vol 2 p 241

addition to note 4

Information on James, John, Mary, Margaret and Ruth from Foster, op cit,  
but not in ~~largest~~ Lancashire QM Births Digest. Foster gives the date  
of birth of Thomas as 1 vi [August] 1736

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BACKHOUSE, William (1695/6-1761)

William Backhouse was born at Yealand, Lancs, on 13.i.1695 [i.e., March 1695/6], the son of James and Jennet Backhouse of Yealand Conyers (1). In 1697 his father died in Lancaster Castle, where he was imprisoned for non-payment of tithes, and William was brought up by his mother (2).

He married on 21.iv[June] 1720, at Colthouse, Agnes Atkinson of Low Wray near Hawkshead, Lancs, daughter of William and Sarah Atkinson of Coniston, Lancs (3). He became a dealer in yarn (4). He removed from Yealand to the house formerly inhabited by Thos and Robert Withers at Over Kellet, Lancs, about 19.ii[April] 1727 (5)

Shortly after his marriage he became a minister. He travelled in the ministry into most parts of England, and also to Scotland and Ireland. He went on a religious visit to America in xii.1734 [i.e., Feb.1734/5] and remained there until Autumn 1736 (6). In his ministry he was deliberate in expression and frequently scriptural in his openings. He diligently attended meetings for worship and discipline, and was 'serviceable' in the latter. In character he was cheerful, courteous and charitable.

He died on 21 May 1761, and was buried in Friends Burial Ground, Yealand, on 24 May /7) (1/

#### PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Testimony of Lancaster MM in TCMD vol.2 p.157

#### NOTES AND REFERENCES :

1. Lancs QM Births Digest
2. His mother, Jennet Backhouse, married again, in 1701, John Robinson of Yealand.  
- J.Foster: The descendants of John Backhouse, yeoman (London, pr.pr.1894) p.10
3. Lancs QM Marriages Digest

He is described as 'yeoman'. Note: TCMD says he married in his 26th year, which would be 1722  
Agnes Atkinson was born at Townend in Coniston, 4.xii.1697[Feb.1697/8]  
She died on 28 Nov.1773

- Lancs QM Births Digest
- Lancs QM Burials Digest

#### Children:

James (q.v.)	born 22.i[March] 1720/1	d.1April 1798
William	born 24.iii[May] 1724	
Sarah	born 31.vi[Aug] 1726	d. 1 Nov.1766

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WBE:

Additional information:

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BACKHOUSE, William, 1695-1761.

Mother was Jennet (Godsalve) Backhouse.

1721, minister. Accompanied on visit to America  
by John Burton.

John Smith's ms. p. 100.

J. F. H. S., 10: 127.

Bowden, 2:241.

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BACKHOUSE, William (1779-1844)

William Backhouse, the son of Jonathan Backhouse (1747-1826 qv) and his wife Ann (born Pease, 1746-1826 qv) of Darlington in the county of Durham, was born there on 17 November 1779(1). His father was a partner in the banking firm of Jonathan Backhouse & Co of Darlington and after being in business for some time as a linen manufacturer(2) William began to take an active part in the banking business about 1825(3) and continued to do so until his death.

He was married in 1806 to Mary Dixon (1783-1874 qv) of Cockfield in Durham(4) and there were eight children(5). For many years he served the Society as an overseer and an elder, until he felt himself called to the ministry and he was recorded a minister in 1842. He was characterised by his simplicity and integrity and in him the poor and suffering found a faithful and sympathising friend. With his brother-in-law James Janson he wrote a book called The True Peace, extracted from the works of Fenelon and others. Among his leisure pursuits were botany, horticulture and natural history.

In 1843 he felt he should visit Friends in Norway. He obtained the concurrence of his meeting and made all his preparations and at his farewell meeting at Darlington on 9 June 1844 to take leave of his friends, he rose to speak, apparently in his usual health; but he suddenly collapsed and died(6). The ship in which he was to have sailed was subsequently lost with all on board. He was buried at Darlington, "an acceptable minister many years." (Testimony)

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Annual Monitor 1845, pp 20-23

Testimony of Darlington MM in Testimonies 1845, p 5

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 He is so described in the birth entries of all his children, except his youngest son James
- 3 P.W. Matthews and Anthony W. Tuke, History of Barclay's Bank Ltd., London 1926, p 202
- 4 The wedding was at Staindrop on 27 March 1806: he is described as of Darlington in Durham, the son of Jonathan and Ann Backhouse of Darlington; she is described as the daughter of John and Elizabeth Dixon of Cockfield in Durham (Durham QM Marriages Digest)

REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

5 Listed in Durham QM Births and Burials Digests and the Digest of Marriages as follows:-

William qv b 12 Jan 1807

m (1) 1833 Amelia Fryer (1809-  
1837 qv)  
(Yorkshire QM Marriages)  
(2) 1843 Katherine Aldam Aldam  
(1815-1868 qv)

Frederick b 29 April 1808

m 1833 Eliza Fossick  
(London & Mddx QM)

Jonathan b 26 Dec 1809

d 12 Sept 1834

Elizabeth b 30 April 1811

m 1838 Henry Broadhead

Maria b 20 Oct 1814

m 1843 Isaac Bigland

Jane b 10 Oct 1816

m 1843 Hodgson Bigland

Charles John b 1 Aug 1819

d 28 Nov 1820

James b 11 March 1822

d 27 Oct 1826

N.B. The information about these children is confirmed in Joseph Foster, The descendants of John Backhouse, yeoman, 1894, pp 27-30

6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a banker; the Testimony gives his age at death as 64

See also:-

The Friend vol 2 (1844) p 167: 8 line account of his proposed visit to Norway and his sudden death

Joseph Smith's Catalogue, vol 1, p 157

Qu. C. l. Nav. (portrait)

J Friends Hist Soc vol 26, p 72: account of his death

Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 26, p 31: vol 24,

pp 28, 29  
Wilson Armistead, Select Miscellanies vol.4 p 66;  
account of sudden death

Memoirs of John Sharp, p 128

BACKHOUSE, William (1779-1844)

William Backhouse was the third son of Jonathan and Ann Backhouse of Darlington, where he was born, Nov. 17th 1779.

With his brother-in-law, James Janson, he wrote a book called "The True Peace", extracted from the works of Fenelon and others. He was fond of botany, horticulture, and natural history.

He intended to visit Friends in the South of Norway in 1844, but the day before he embarked he suddenly died, as he rose to speak in the evening meeting on June 13th 1844. He was buried at Darlington, aged 64, "an acceptable minister many years".

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Darlington M.M. in Testimonies 1845, p. 5

WBE:

Additional information:

BACKHOUSE, William, 1779-1844.

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m. (1st)

m. (2nd)

Elder and overseer.

1813, with James Janson, published A Guide to True  
Peace, etc., since republished some 6 times, also in Danish.

1842, minister.

Was to have been accompanied to Norway by his nephew Edward Backhouse. The vessel in which they had engaged passage was lost, with all on board.

Interested in botany, horticulture and natural history.

The Friend (London), 2(1844): 167.

An. Mon. (N. S.), 3: 20.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1: 157.

Qu. Col. Hav. (portrait).

**BACKHOUSE, William (1807-1869)**

William Backhouse, the son of William Backhouse (1779-1844 qv) and his wife Mary, born Dixon, of Darlington, was born there on 12 January 1807(1). He became a banker at Newcastle-on-Tyne(2) and in 1833 he was married to Amelia Fryer (1809-1837 qv) of Toothill in Yorkshire(3); there were twin children of the marriage who died in infancy(4).

Amelia Backhouse died in 1837(5) and in 1843 William took as his second wife Katharine Aldam (1815-1868 qv) of Warmworth near Doncaster(6); there were five children(7).

Sincerity and humility were striking features of his character and these, with his natural kindness of nature and cultivated tastes won him the love and respect of many friends. He was a useful member of his quarterly meeting and had a strong and decided attachment to the principles of the Society.

He spent the last month of his life with his sister, near Leeds, and died at the home of his brother-in-law, Henry Broadhead, at Chapel Allerton, Leeds(8) on 3 April 1869 at the age of sixty two(9).

**PRINCIPAL SOURCE**

Annual Monitor 1870, pp 15-16

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 Durham QM Births Digest: his father is described as a linen manufacturer
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was near Brighouse on 13 March 1833: he is described as a banker of Newcastle on Tyne, the son of William and Mary Backhouse; she is described as the daughter of Joseph, a merchant, and his wife Ann of Toothill in Yorkshire (Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Given in Backhouse, Descendants, 1894, p 27. There is no trace of their birth or death in Durham QM Births and Burials Digests
- 5 Durham QM Burials Digest: she died on 27 Jan 1837, aged 27
- 6 The wedding was at Doncaster on 18 October 1843: he is described as a widower, a banker of Darlington, the son of William Backhouse, a banker; she is described as a spinster of Warmworth near Doncaster, the daughter of William Aldam, a gentleman (Digest of Marriages)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

7 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages as follows:-

*William Aldam	b 27 April 1846	
Charles James	b 4 Jan 1848	who m 1874 Lucy Read (Backhouse)
Henry qv	b 29 June 1849	who m (1) Georgina Mary Stanton (Backhouse) (2) 1893 Mary Lucas
Sarah Aldam	b 14 Nov 1851	who m 1874 Christopher Bowly (1837-1922 qv)
Robert Ormston qv	b 10 March 1854	who m 1884 Sarah Elizabeth Dodgeon

\*No marriage traced to 1903

8 The Friend, 1869, p 151

9 Digest of Deaths: he is described as of St John's, near Wolsingham,  
a gentleman

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-45

WBE:

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BACON, Ann Eliza ( ), ca. 1815-1904.

b. ca. 1815, Greenwich (?), N. J.

Minister.

m. Wilmon Bacon. Children.

A record of her ministry appears at various times in *The Friend* (Phila.): Testimony of Encouragement spoken at Greenwich, N. J. (80:251); Prayer uttered in meeting at Salem, N. J. (81:157); 1865, Sermon at Westtown School (81:333).

d. 22 Nov. 1904, Salem (?), N. J., in her 90th year.

The Friend (Phila.), 78:208.

WBE:

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BACON, Christopher, ca. 1623-1678.

b. ca. 1623, Venice-Sutton on Pollen-Hill (or  
Polling-hill), Somerset.

A cavalier soldier, somewhat wild.

ca. 1656, came to a meeting to scoff and deride, but  
was convinced.

m.

Children.

Minister. Active in Somerset. Travelled to London,  
and into Ireland and Wales, also other parts. Imprisoned  
at Ivelchester for several years. 1678, cruel imprison-  
ment in Bridgewater.

Wrote: A trumpet sounding an alarm, etc., 1662.

Having been called a rebel by the bishop of Wells,  
C. replied, "Dost thou call me a rebel? I would have  
thee know that I have ventured my life for the King in  
the field, when such as thou lay behind hedges." This  
stopped the mouth of the bishop, who soon discharged him.

A valiant man for Truth, and freely given up to suffer  
for it, and to spend and be spent for the gathering of  
people into it.

d. 29 X (Dec.) 1678, Falmouth, Cornwall, Eng., aged  
ca. 55.

Hirst, The Quakers in Peace and War, p. 56.

Penney, First Publishers, pp. 223, 228.

Braithwaite, Second period of Qu., p. 358.

Besse, 1:154, 158.

WBE:

BACON, Christopher, ca. 1623-1678. (Page 2)

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Piety Promoted, 1:79.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:157.

Whiting, Persecution exposed, p. 13.

WBE:

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BACON, David, 1729-1809.

Hatter.

b. 14 I (Mar.) 1729/30, Bacon's Neck (?), N. J.,  
s. of John II and Elizabeth (Sayre) Bacon.

Little formal education. Uses his own spelling in  
letters.

Came to Phila., Pa., and lived on So. 2nd St. at the  
corner of Trotter's Alley, between Market and Chestnut Sts.

1751, m. Mary Trotter (d. 1793). 5 sons and 5  
daughters.

Elder.

1794, to Canandaigua, N. Y., to be present at Indian  
Treaty. 1795, accompanied Nicholas Waln to England and  
Ireland, where they had to do with a spirit of rationalism.  
1805, was one of 6 Friends appointed by the three Monthly  
Mtgs. of Phila., to draft an epistle of warning against  
practices which lead to bank ruptcies.

His house on So. 2nd St., Phila., was a place of  
hospitality. He smoked a long pipe.

d. 6 June 1809, Phila.(?), Penna., aged 80.

Bacon, Bacon's Adventure, p. 87.

Comly, Friends Misc, 5:140.

Haines, Clovercroft Chronicles, p. 197.

Qu. Col. Hav., ms. Journal, 1794.

Bacon, To the members of the three monthly mtgs. in the  
city of Phila.

Frieda Jennings was born on February 24, 1897.(1) She married Cecil Bacon in the mid-twenties and a son, Theodore Sidney was born in 1927.(2) In about the year 1933, as a working mother she joined the Society of Friends at Newcastle meeting (3) and throughout the rest of the thirties she served on the meeting's peace committee, she was a supporter of the League of Nations, and she started self-help schemes with unemployed miners and shipyard workers. She pressed for slum clearance and better housing and was active in work for refugees from the Spanish Civil war. She was a woman of tremendous and persistent energy, tireless in the causes which she supported. She also served on the Industrial and Social Order Council.(4) The second world war caught her up in welfare work for the forces which took her to war damaged Naples in 1946 and the following year to Austria where she also became interested working for refugee families. During that year, 1947, she and her husband, after a three year formal separation, were divorced, her son Theodore was then aged 20. She took up the refugee question in Austria and spent the following fifteen years on it, during that time moving to Witney MM. In 1961 she returned to London and joined Golders Green Meeting. She was interested in the Commonwealth of World Citizens being made president of the movement from 1963/1964. She was among those who pressed for a Quaker Housing Trust to be set up but her health was failing and in 1968 at the age of 71 she entered Avenue House, Bristol - A Quaker Home for the elderly.

There, the supporting background of Avenue House gave her, as it were, a new lease of life and she embarked on a new range of activity. A member of Bristol & Frenchay MM Peace Committee she did everything possible in the cause of peace, writing letters, distributing pamphlets, taking part in vigils and talking to whom she would. She suffered from increasing deafness but she was a good listener as well as a talker and her warm-heartedness encouraged others to do things which they felt they were not able to do. But she also cared for the garden at Avenue House. Her last contribution to The Friend was a description of the Peace Walk from Bristol to Cawdron on October 31, 1982 in which she took part, and she spoke with characteristic lucidity and vigour in Monthly Meeting the day before her death.

She died on April 11, 1983 aged 86.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend Vol. 141 (1983) p. 590

death notice for date and age p. 468

REFERENCES & NOTES

2. 2. Information from Theodore Bacon.

3. The printed lists of members for Durham QM record the family as attenders at Newcastle in 1932. The list for 1934 records Frieda as a member.

4. Typescript Committee Index - Friends Hq. Library  
Industrial & Social Order 1936 - 1948.

BACON, Grace Scattergood, 1891-1964.

See      LOWRY, Grace Scattergood, nee Bacon, 1891-1964.

John Deacon

1778 - 1859

See off Members from

Soc. Elected 12/1802

Barnsdale, Mass., s. William

(d. 1699). 9 children.

Came to Woodbridge in East Jersey. 1682, came to Cohansey River, N. J., and developed the land which he called Bacon's Adventure at Bacon's Neck, near Greenwich, N. J.

d. XI (Jan.) 1695/96, Bacon's Neck (?), N. J., aged ca. 69.

Bacon, Bacon's adventure, pp. 5, 84.

WBE:

BADDELEY, John

Of Cheshire, Eng.

Tried various religious professions, to no satisfaction. As a seeker went to Briggost, Yorkshire, where he heard Christopher Taylor and William Dewsbury and was convinced.

Minister.

Imprisoned in Chester Jail for about 6 months.

Penney, The First Publishers, p. 16.

Ernest Bader was born in Switzerland in 1890, the last of thirteen children, his father was initially a farmer who branched out into bigger things. His mother was a devotedly religious woman and there was a strict family discipline. While young he travelled widely and developed a deep concern for the poverty of poorer nations and the need for their betterment. In 1912 he came to London and stayed with the Scott family earning eighteen shillings a week. He was very much impressed by the piety of Dora Scott, a daughter who was a Baptist and he began to attend the Baptist Church. They found another joint enthusiasm in vegetarianism and the friendship ripened into marriage which lasted until Dora died in her nineties. She brought up the five children ( three of them adopted ) quietly and provided a stable home background for Ernest's vivid life. They were pacifists also and after years of connection with Friends though this they joined the Society at Wellingborough in 1945.

By 1920 the firm of Scott Bader Limited was established in London and it eventually grew into a successful chemical and synthetic resin manufactory. Ernest was an irresistible salesman and publicist from the beginning and he remained this to the last, taking full page advertisements in The Times for his schemes for world betterment. The firm moved to Wollaston Hall near Wellingborough in 1940 and the eighteenth century manor house, then in disrepair, with its forty four acres of grounds was gradually turned into an elegant base for the factory as well as living accommodation for the Baders. In 1945 largely influenced by his friends Reg. Sorensen and Wilfrid Wellock he tried to share his company with his employees and to run his firm on Christian principles. But he was never able to allow people to learn from their mistakes and the attempt failed, much more educative work having to be done. However in 1950 he tried again and in 1951 he signed the document renouncing ninety per cent of the shares in the firm to his employees. In fact the real democracy in the firm was eventually established under his son Godric who became chairman of the Scott Bader Commonwealth.

Ernest Bader was always initiating new schemes and giving backing to such organisations as C.M.D., the journal "Resurgence" and he hoped that the 'Industrial Common Ownership Movement' might form the basis for a Quaker plan in line with the 1918 document "Eight Foundations of a True Social Order" but it failed to happen. Wollaston Hall was open to interested visitors and by means of the organisation STRIVE quite a number of people from emergent countries received training to modernise their ancient crafts.

He served as an elder at Wellingborough for a time and also served on Meeting for Sufferings.(1)

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend Vol. 140 ( 1982 ) pp 233/4

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1. Typescript Committee Index - Friends Ho. Library.  
Meeting for Sufferings - 1953 - 1957.

SGJ.APR.'82.

WBE:

BADGER, Daniel

Minister.

ca. 1742, was helpful to Joseph Oxley at Fakenham  
Mtg., Norfolk, Eng.

Friends Library, 2:424.

BAGWELL, Mary (1783?-1828) after 1810 Parsons

[Mary Bagwell, daughter of John and Hester Bagwell  
of London, was married in 1810 to Isaac Parsons  
(1767?-1830 qv) of Crenton in Somerset.

See PARSONS, Mary (1783?-1828) born Bagwell ]

BAILEY, Caroline (1824-1905)

Caroline Bailey spent the 81 years of her life in Uxbridge, where she was born in 1824. The sweetness and humility of her character endeared her to all in the neighbourhood. She used her wealth 'as God's steward' and her kindly advice or candid criticism was given in a spirit no one could resent. So generous were she and her sister to the poor in responding to innumerable appeals for clothing and blankets, coal and food, that one Christmas ~~XXXX~~ they were so busy that they forgot to cook their own dinner, and sat down to cold mutton. Students at New College valued her hospitality, the calm restfulness and quiet cheerful influence of her home.

Caroline Bailey was very regular in attendance at Uxbridge meeting house, twice on Sundays, and at mid-week meetings, which she specially valued. Her humility led her to refuse to accept the office of Elder which was urged upon her, but few have done more for the cause of Quakerism in her locality.

She died on 20 March 1905.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual monitor 1906 p.1.

WBE:

BAILEY, Charles M., ca. 1820-1917.

b. ca. 1820.

Of Maine.

Began his manufacturing career in an abandoned barn.

At his death his plant for manufacturing oilcloth covered  
34 acres of floor space at Winthrop.

Made numerous benefactions, to Moody Schools, to  
Oak Grove Seminary, Maintained Bailey's praying band,  
a group of evangelists who toured the state annually.

d. 1917, Winthrop (?), Me., age 97.

For additional information, see Bailey, Moses,  
1817-1882.7

The Friend (Phila.), 91: 127.

WBE:

BAILEY, George

1657, went to France. Imprisoned and died.

Evans, Friends in the 17th Cent., p.150.

WBE:a

BAILEY, Gerald, 1903-1972.

b. 1903, Manchester, England.

ed. Ackworth and Bootham Schools and Clare College, Cambridge.

M.A. University of Cambridge, England.

m. c. 1945 Brenda Friedrich; two sons.

1929 and 1935, Parliamentary candidate for Hampshire constituencies.

1930-1949, Director of the British National Peace Council.

1950, acting chairman of the International Liaison Committee of Peace Organizations.

1950-1962, Quaker observer at seven General Assemblies of the United Nations.

1961-1972, chairman of the General Purposes Committee of Great Britain-U.S.S.R. Association.

Member of Quaker delegations to the USSR (1951), Communist China (1955), Poland (1958). Member of Great Britain-USSR Associations delegation to the Soviet Union (1960).

Participant in the Anglo-Soviet Conference at Wiston House, England (1961), the Konigswinter (Anglo-German Fellowship) Conference (1961), the Selsden Park Conference of American, British, Russian and Polish Journalists (1962) and at numerous conferences for diplomats held at Clarens, Switzerland (1951-61). He was the editor of "World Issues" for Friends Peace and International Relations Committee and of "Britain-USSR" and the "Great Britain-USSR Handbook".

WBE:a

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BAILEY, Gerald, page 2.

He was a member of Friends House Meeting and later served as an elder of Guildford Meeting. For some years, he was the Assistant Clerk and, for two years, Clerk of Sussex, Surrey and Hampshire Quarterly Meeting.

Author:

1940, Towards a new international order, league and federation  
(Peace aims pamphlet no. 1)

1940, League and Federation

1945, Germany? We must make up our minds!

1950, Peace with Russia

1957, Quaker Mission to Poland--a re-assessment

1963, The Politics of Peace

1970, Problems of Peace

d. 11 May, 1972; age 69.

Bailey, Gerald, The Politics of Peace

Bailey, Gerald, Peace with Russia

The London Friend, 130:569, 629, 788

WBE:a

BAILEY, Hannah Clark, nee Johnston, 1839-1923.

Reformer and peace advocate.

b. 5 July 1839, Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, N.Y., dau. of David and Letitia (Clark) Johnston; oldest of 11 children; her father was a minister for the Society of Friends.

1853, family moved to Plattekill, N.Y.

ed. in public schools and a New York Friends' boarding school; beginning in 1858, taught school near Plattekill for nearly ten years.

1867, accompanied a Quaker woman minister on a religious mission to Maine; met Moses Bailey, a recent widower, at Winthrop Center.

m. 13 Oct. 1868, in Plattekill, Moses Bailey (see biog.); one son, Moses Melvin, born 1869.

1883, joined Woman's Christian Temperance Union; 1887, became superintendent of newly-instituted Department of Peace and Arbitration of National W.C.T.U.; later held similar post in World's W.C.T.U.; spread pacifist gospel to local units; published two monthly periodicals: Pacific Banner, for adults, and Acorn, for children; main target of her campaign was war.

Author: 1884, Reminiscences of a Christian Life, a laudatory biography of her husband, which she had printed and distributed at her own expense as inspiration to others.

WBE:a

BAILEY, James E., 1810-1880.

b. 1810, Virginia.

As a child was taken to Ohio.

1855, acknowledged a minister by New Garden Q.M., Ohio.

1860, moved to Iowa.

1880, April, he settled near Hesper, Kansas.

He visited all the Y.M.'s on this continent and some  
of them repeatedly. He could quote most of every chapter  
in the Bible.

d. 1 Nov. 1880, Douglas Co., Kansas, 70 years old.

Frd's'. Review, 1880, 34:233.

WBE:

BAILEY, John, 1776-1861.

Of Uxbridge Common, Middlesex, Eng.

1835, published The Christian Religion in small compass.

d. 1 Aug. 1861, Hillingdon End, Uxbridge, aged 84.

Friends Hist. Lib., Swarthmore, Pa., BX 7616.

An. Mon. (N. S.), 20:12.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1: 213.

The Friend (London) (N. S.), 1(1861): 241.

WBE:a

BAILEY, Jonathan, ca. 1818-1904.

b. ca. 1818, Virginia.

Moved to Ohio in the 1820's.

m. Rebecca T. (children)

1885, worked in Los Angeles real estate office.

President of the Pickering Land and Water Co.

1887, held the first Friends meeting in Whittier in his house, (the ranch house). Overseer of the first Church.

Built a house and Observatory for tourists at the top of Turnbull Canyon.

Instrumental in securing \$25,000 for Wilmington College.

A leader in the development of Whittier College, and a generous donor.

Jonathan Bailey Public School named for him, as he was one of the trustees of the first public school.

d. 24 Sept. 1904, Whittier, Calif., in his 86th year.

Cooper, Charles W., Whittier, Independent Coll., (1967), 5-8, 14, 29.  
American Frd., 11(1904):814.

Elliott, EtT., Q. on the Am. Fronteir, pp. 185, 179, 223.

Coffin, T. Eugene, Living Waters Flow West, p. 36.

WBE:

BAILEY, Moses, 1817-1882.

Oilcloth manufacturer.

b. 18 Dec. 1817, Winthrop Centre, Me., s. Ezekiel  
and Hannah Robbins Bailey.

1834 attended Friends School, Providence, R. I.

m. ca. 1840, Betsie Jones, of Winthrop, Me.

m. (2nd), 1868, Hannah C. Johnson of Plattekill, N. Y.

One son. see BAILEY, Hannah J., ca. 1843-1923

With his brother Charles expanded his father's oil-cloth industry. Started a factory of his own. It burned in 1870. 1871, partner in a carpet store, rebuilt oil-cloth factory.

Elder, 1867. Clerk of monthly mtg. 22 years and of quart. mtg. 13 years. Correspondent of New England Y. Mtg. 1855, with Samuel Taylor, Jr., visited in Ohio, Ind. and Md. 1868, one of the com. for Friends School, Providence.

ca. 1840, had an attack of typhod, ca. 1867, pneumonia. Great suffering. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking.

d. 6 June 1882, Winthrop, Me., age 64.

Friends Review 35(1882):746.

Bailey, H. J., Reminiscences of a Christian life (portrait).

WBE:

BAILEY, Sarah, 1773-1837.

b. 9 Apr. 1773, Chester Co., Pa., dau. Daniel and  
Mary Williams. Removed to Georgia.

m. Robert Millhouse (d. 1810).

1804, removed to Ohio.

m. (2nd), 1823, Jesse Bailey.

Elder of Stillwater Mtg., Ohio.

1837, with her husband attended Ohio Y. Mtg., held at  
Mount Pleasant. Taken ill while there.

d. 25 Sept. 1837, at home of Benjamin Bundy, in her  
65th year.

Piety Promoted, 12th part, p. 158.

WBE:

BAILEY, Sarah, ca. 1813-1884.

Teacher.

b. ca. 1813, Pennsbury, Pa.

1832, scholar at Westtown School.

1834-69. Teacher at Westtown School, Pa. Leading teacher of the girls. Taught mathematics, botany, chemistry, grammar, geography, history, literature, rhetoric. Her room was "No. 26." She advocated boys and girls eating together, which was not realized until 1873.

Became a member of Kennett Mo. Mtg.

Erect as an arrow, and of average height. Long in declining health.

d. 21 Dec. 1884, Parkersville, Chester Co., Pa., in her 71st year.

Westtown School, Catalog of Westtown through the years,

Cat. 87, p. 353.

Hole, Westtown through the years, pp. 163-65, 193, 228, 243, 292, 356, 357, 358, 361, 365.

The Friend (Phila.), 58 (1885):192.

Bailey  
Thomas  
Balfour  
M  
Sherwin  
Kelway

s. of Vernon and Emilie Bailey.

and Clare College, Cambridge;

Hampshire constituencies.

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Peace Council.

1950, National Liaison Comm. of Peace Organizations.

1950-1951, seven General Assemblies of United Nations.

1951-1962, and later vice-chairman of Friends East-West Relations Committee (London).

1961-1972, chairman of the General Purposes Committee of Great Britain-U.S.S.R. Association.

Member of Quaker delegations to the USSR (1951), Communist China (1955), Poland (1958). Member of Great Britain-USSR Associations delegation to Soviet Union (1960). Participant in the Anglo-Soviet Conference at Winston House, England (1961), the Konigswinter (Anglo-German Fellowship) Conference (1961), the Selsden Park Conference of American, British, Russian and Polish Journalists (1962) and at numerous conferences for diplomats held at Clarens, Switzerland (1951-61).

Member of Friends House, later served as an elder of Guildford Meeting. For some years, he was the assistant clerk; for two years clerk of Sussex, Surrey and Hampshire Quarterly Meeting.

WDB:

BAILEY, William, -1675.

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Shipmaster.

of Poole in Dorsetshire, after in London, Eng.

At the age of 15 became a soldier as well as a swearer  
and drinker.

m.

m. (2nd), 1662, Mary Fisher.

1655, a Baptist teacher, mighty in the Scriptures.

1655 or 56, convinced at Poole by George Fox. 1656,  
imprisoned at Exeter. Cruel sufferings. Fined over 30.  
"Bold and zealous in his preaching, . . . and valiant in  
suffering for his testimony. . ."

Author: A short relation or testimony of the working  
of the light of Christ in me, from my childhood, . . . , 1659.

Writings published, 1676. Many titles, on  
about six pp. in Smith's Catalog.

d. 1 June 1675, in great peace, at sea, lat. 46° 36' N.  
on board the "Samuel," returning from Barbadoes.

Piety Promoted, 1:72.

Journal of G. F., bi-cent. ed., 1:261.

Evans, Friends in the 17th cent., p. 504.

Cough, Hist. of the people called Qu., 2:407.

Friends Hist. Lib., Swarthmore, Pa., BX7614, BX7795.

Urrall, Qu. in Peace and War, p. 132.

John Smith's ms., 1:112.

WBE:

BAILEY, William, -1675. (Page 2)

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Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:214.

Jour. of Geo. Fox (Penney), 1:435.

Besse 1:149, 167, 229, 244, 388, 412, 428.