CRICK, Joseph (1662/3-1744)

Joseph Crick, the son of Edmund and Ann Crick, was born at Woodbridge Hasketon in the county of Suffolk on 18.i.(March)1662/3.(1) Although his parents professed with Friends and he received a religious education, "he did thro' the Subtil workings of the Enemy, and his rebellion against the Witness of Truth in himself, about the Eighteenth Year of his Age, Run out from amongst Friends, into many hurtful things, and became a Hearer of the Hireling Priest; But the Lord in the Riches of his Love, by His divine Power met with him therein, and was gracious Pleased to favour him with a Sight and Sense of the great Danger he was in; And through the Lord's thus mercifully Dealing with him, at about three years End, after his absenting from Friends, he broke off from the evil of his Ways, and his Sins became Odious in his own Eyes, and by this Means, he was Restored, & Returned both unto the Lord, & friends." He became a useful member of the Society and when he was about twenty eight he received a gift in the Ministry, in which he laboured zealously for many years. He travelled extensively in England, Scotland and Wales, visiting Friends and "often boldly & zealously Bearing his Testimony against Pride, Covetousness, Envy & any Appearance of Evil."

He died apparently unmarried(2) after an illness of several months on 1.iv.(June)1744.(3)

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Ipswich MM 3.x.(December)1744 in TCMD vol.1 p.221

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 His birth is not traced in Suffolk QM Births Digest
2 There is no record of a marriage in Suffolk QM, Norfolk & Norwich QM, Essex QM, Cambs.& Hunts QM, or London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digests, but there is a reference in Suffolk QM Marriages Digest to the marriage of Jonathan Crick, the son of Edmund, who was probably his brother.
3 Suffolk QM Burials Digest: he died on 1.iv.(June)1744; he is described as "a public friend"

WBE:

CRIPPS, John, fl. 1682.

Burlington, N. J.

Published: A true account of the dying words of Ockanickon, an Indian King, spoken to Jahkursoe, his brother's son, &c., 1682.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:465.

CRIPPS, Nathaniel

Nathaniel Cripps (Crisp) lived at Tetbury. He was 'an aged Man', when imprisoned in 1662 (Suff. i.211, 215). He appears to have associated himself with the Separatists in the Wilkinson and Story Controversy (Rogers, Christian Quaker, 1680, pt. i. p.31, pt. v. pp.53-55; Whitehead, Accuser, 1681, pp.163, 167). Another Friend of the same name, living at Cirencester, emigrated to America (The Friend (Philadelphia), 1857, p.229). See also Jnl. F.H.S. XVI.135.

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Note by N. Penney in Fox's Journal, Camb. ed. 1911 vol.1 p.444

CRISP, Gertrud (1629?-1687) formerly van Losevelt, born Deriks
~~NIESON, Gertrude Diricks~~

Gertrude Diricks Nieson (so named in Ell. Text) was one of three sisters, living in a good position in Amsterdam. The eldest sister, Niesy, died about 1662; the youngest, Annekin, married William Caton (1635?-1665) in 1662. Gertrude, the middle sister, married a wealthy Dutchman, Adrian Van Losevelt, who was said to be 'inconsistent & fickle, little as yet seasoned with truth'. He died, presumably, prior to Fox's visit, leaving two children, Cornelis, who married Abigail Furly, daughter of John Furly, the younger in 1686, and another. Gertrude Diricks and her two children crossed to Harwich with the returning party. The voyage was a stormy one and Gertrude succumbed to sea-sickness (letter from Fox to Friends in Holland, original in Friends House, printed Bulletin FHA, 1924). She and her children went to the home of Stephen Crisp, whence, 29.ix.1677, she wrote An Epistle to Friends. Another visit to England followed, and she was probably in Colchester at the time of the death of S. Crisp's wife Dorothy in 1684. On the first of October, 1685, as 'Gertrude Diricks Nieson' she married Stephen Crisp, and two years later died, after a short illness.

Stephen Crisp, 1694
Penn's, Travails, 1694
Steven Crisp and his Correspondents, 1892
Tanqueray: The Royal Quaker, 1904 (fiction)
Bulletin FHS Phila. vol.iv (1912) pp.83-97
Brailsford: Quaker Women, 1915, chap.xi

Note by N. Penney in G. Fox, Short Journal, 1925, p.364

WBE:
Additional information:
CRISP, Gertrud (Deriks) van Losevelt, 1649?-1687.

1680, 1682, published two epistles in Dutch.

/For husband see Crisp, Steven (Stephen), 1628-1692./

d. Colchester? Eng.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:536.

CRISP, Jane Palmer (1812?-1894) 2+

Jane Palmer Crisp was born in or about 1812 (1). She became a member of Lynn MM, Norfolk, in 1839 (2) and was recorded a minister by Lynn MM in 1873 (3).

She was a Friend of conservative views. Some reflections by her, printed in The British Friend in 1875, attacked 'those in our Society, who are pleading for the departure from our religious testimony', and led John G. Sargent (1813-1883 qv) to write approvingly to her from Fritchley (4). In 1877 she issued The past and present of the Society of Friends, briefly exhibited in letters addressed to the editor of the 'Daily news' (5). In 1881 she joined Fritchley General Meeting. Fritchley MM meetings of ministers and elders were often held at the house to which she had moved at Belper, Derbyshire (6).

She died on 16 December 1894 (7).

REFERENCES & NOTES

1 See note 7.
2 Lynn MM register of members 1837-c1880 (LSF photocopy of original (SF 464) in Norfolk Record Office, Norwich) which records that Jane Palmer Crisp became a member by convincement on 5 Sept 1839; her residence is given as Lynn.
3 The British Friend, vol 31, 5th month 1st, 1873 p 109, which gives the date of her acknowledgment as the 3rd of the previous month; it is also noted that she was liberated on the same date to 'hold meetings with the inhabitants of Hunstanton and Thornham, with a little further service as way may open for it.'
4 The British Friend vol 33, 5th month 1st 1875 pp 100-101; the reflections are signed 'J.P.C.. - Lynn'; Selections from the diary and correspondence of John G. Sargent (Newport, Mon., 1885) pp 213-218, where it appears that she was identified by Matilda Rickman (1799-1882 qv) of Fritchley.
5 This pamphlet, printed by William Irwin (1815?-1878 qv) the conservative Manchester Friend, included a letter by 'A member of the Society of Friends' entitled 'Quakerism - its social change', which had appeared in the Daily news of 5 April 1877, and further letters by Jane Palmer Crisp (writing under the name of 'An old member of the Society of Friends') and William Tallack (1831-1908 qv). The pamphlet is dated from Lynn, 7th month 2nd 1877.
6 Walter Lowndes, The Quakers of Fritchley 1863-1980 (Fritchley, Derby--shire, 1980) pp 41, 56, 144, 151, 172, 215.
7 Digest of Deaths, where she is described as a spinster aged 83, of 'Belper, formerly of Lynn' and it is noted 'unable to obtain official information' as to the date and place of burial, or where the death was publicly registered. The British Friend vol 4 ns, 2nd month 1895 p 48 carried an announcement of her death on 16 December 1894, at the age of 82 years and six months. Lowndes, op cit p 215, however, appears to give the date of death as 9 January 1895.

MJT 24.vii.1984

CRISP. Nathaniel

see CRIPPS, Nathaniel

WBE:

CRISP, Samuel, ca. 1670-1704.

Norfolk, later of London, Eng.

A clergyman of the Church of Eng. 1700, convinced by reading Barclay's Apology. Later met with George Whitehead. Later a schoolmaster at Wandsworth, Eng. Opened a school of his own at Stepney, near London.

1703, on the 26 XI, beginning about 10:00 p.m., a terrible storm of wind and lightning caused great damage in Eng., in Bristol and London especially. S. C. noted this as a judgment. (Friends Library, 13:162.)

Author: Two letters writ by Samuel Crisp . ... to some of his acquaintance, upon his change from a chaplain of the Church of Eng. to joyne with the people called Quakers, ca. 1702. Reprinted ca. 14 times.

d. of small-pox, 7 June 1704, Stepney, London, Eng., aged 34.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:466.

Chalk, Autobiographical narrations, p. 3.

Friends Library, 13:149.

Walton, Incidents illus. the doct. and hist. of the Soc. of Friends, p. 115.

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CRISP, Steven (1628-1692)

Steven Crisp of Colchester 'was a typical example of the middle class, well educated (for he could write in fair Latin) diligent in business, and owning a competency sufficient to free him for those continual travels for the spreading of his new principles, in which his after life was spent' (Smith, Steven Crisp and His Correspondents, 1657-1692, 1892). He was a bays or baize maker by trade. He married his first wife, Dorothy, in 1648 (d.1683). His parents, his wife, and he joined the Friends about the same time. His two children died of the plague, at Colchester, 1665-6, also his mother. From 1663, Crisp paid numerous visits to Holland and he also visited many parts of his native land in the service of Truth. He was actively engaged also in the business affairs of the Church. In 1685, Crisp married Gertrude Dericks Nieson (d.1687) widow of Adrian van Losevelt, and sister of Annekin, wife of William Caton (i.140. 3). 91

Crisp's numerous writings were collected and published by John Field in 1695-his Short History of a Long Travel from Babylon to Bethel, 1691 (his spiritual autobiography in the form of an allegory), has been many times reprinted, since first issued in 1711, also some of his sermons.

The prominent part which Crisp took in the controversy with those who had seceded from Friends on the question of the Discipline roused their enmity and it is to be hoped that the charges of immorality made by these seceders were founded on animosity rather than on fact (Bugg, Pilgrim's Progress, 1698, pp.130, 137; Saul's Errand, 1728, p.30).

Memoirs, by Samuel Tuke, 1824
Budge, Annals, 1877
DNB
Biog. Memoirs, ii.635
many MSS at Colchester and in Friends House

Note by N. Penney in Fox's Journal, Camb. ed. 1911 vol.2 p.485

WBE:
Additional information:

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CRISP, Steven (Stephen), 1628-1692.

b. 1628, Colchester, Essex, Eng., s. Stephen and Elizabeth Crisp.

Entangled by the doctrine of predestination. [The significance of this remark is not clear. From its position in the manuscript, it seems most likely to refer to some of his pre-convincement struggles, but I have not been able to check it readily. F. T.]

m. (2d), Geertruyde Niessen Dirrecks. [The name is given in various forms in different sources, but the last name is Dirrecks (or Dericks) rather than Niessen (or Nieson). cf. Smith, p. xliv. F. T.]

1655, convinced at Colchester through the ministry of James Parnell. S. C. was "hewn down like a tall cedar." 1659, minister. Imprisoned. Visited Scot. in winter, on foot. 1663, visited Netherlands, Freesland and some other parts of Europe, also Bristol, but principally Colchester and London. Imprisoned many times. Had influence with Kings and men of authority. 1689, with other Friends appealed successfully for suspension of laws which caused suffering for conscience' sake. Present at death of George Fox.

Learned to preach in Dutch. A faithful minister and valiant sufferer for his faith.

Beginning 1658, published many works, appearing in both English and Dutch, among which may be cited, A Plain

WBE:
Additional information:

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CRISP, Steven (Stephen), 1628-1692. Page 2.

Path-way opened to the simple-hearted, for the answering all doubts and objections, &c., and his A short history of a long travel, from Babylon to Bethel (written 1691), republished ca. 17 times.

Severe fever.

d. 28 Aug. 1692, Wandsworth, near London, Eng., aged ca. 64. Bur. Bunhill Fields.

Walton, Incidents illus. the doctrine and hist. of the Soc. of Friends, p. 115. [This reference is to Samuel Crisp. F. T.]

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:466, suppl.:94.

Evans, Friends in the 17th cen., pp. 298, 578.

Friends Library, 14:135.

Piety Promoted, 1:111.

Friends Quart. Exam., 6(1872):225, 27(1893):126.

The Friend (Phila.), 12:205.

Budge, Annals, p. 119.

Wright, John Bunyan and Stephen Crisp, 1939.

Whiting, Persecution exposed, p. 223.

WBE:

CROASDALE, Ann, afterwards Hampton, 1730/31-1796

see Ann HAMPTON, nee Croasdale

WBE:

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CROASDALE, Ezra, ca. 1655-1740.

b. ca. 1655, Yorkshire? Eng.

Early settler in Pa. Of Middletown, Bucks Co.

Minister. 1701-1728, often present at General Meetings of ministers and elders.

1708, 1709, representative to Assembly in Pa.

d. 18 June 1740, Pa., aged 85.

John Smith's ms, 1:508.

WBE:

2+

CROASDALE, Grace (Heaton), 1703-1769.

b. 6 Oct. 1703, Middletown Mtg., Bucks Co., Pa., dau. Robert and Grace Heaton.

m., 1720, Jeremiah Croasdale, of Middletown Mtg.

Children.

ca. 1745, minister. Visited Friends in her own and several neighboring provinces.

A peaceable and kind neighbor.

d. 23 Oct. 1769, Middletown, Bucks Co., Pa., aged 66.

The Friend (Phila.), 35:100.

Phila. Y. Mtg., Col. of memorials, 1787, p. 278.

WBE:

CROCKER, Anne, nee Dunscourt, later Tyre, afterwards
Holme, finally Morris, c.1612-

see
MORRIS, Anne, nee Dunscourt, etc.

CROGGON, John Rawson (1908? - 1970)

John Croggon was born in about the year 1908.(1)

He was a member of Truro Meeting (2) and actively served Friends in Cornwall. He served as an elder, on various local committees and on the Social and Economic Affairs Committee.(3)

Outside the Society he was involved in much public work, as a magistrate, local councillor and school governor.

He died on February 1, 1970 at the age of 62.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol. 128 (1970) p. 254

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. We have no date of birth, he was aged 62 at death.
2. Devon & Cornwall QM printed list of members for 1958 records him as a member at Truro. There is no mention of him in 1956.
3. Typescript Committee Index, Friends Ho. Library. This records his membership of the Social & Economic Affairs Cttee during 1960.

SGJ. July 1978

CROKER, Anne (1676/7-1699) born Peters

Anne Peters, the daughter of John Peters (-) and his wife Margery (born) of Minver Monthly Meeting, in Cornwall, was born on 22.i.[March] 1676/7(1).

She was married in 1696 to John Croker (1672/3-1727/8 qv) and there was one child(2).

Anne Croker died on 5.viii.[October] 1699(3), a few months after the birth of her only child.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Cornwall QM Births Digest: her place of birth and her father's occupation are not given. Her surname is spelt Petters
2 For marriage and issue see CROKER, John (1672/3-1727/8)
3 Cornwall QM Burials Digest: her age at death is not given and there is no description of her

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

MEG March 1982

CROKER, Elizabeth (1674-) after 1735 Reeves, born Gates

[Elizabeth Gates, daughter of Richard Gates (-)
and his wife Sarah (born)
was married firstly in 1702 to John Croker (1672/3-1727/8 qv).
She married secondly in 1735 Richard Reeves (fl 1735- qv).

See REEVES, Elizabeth (1674-) formerly Croker, born Gates]

MEG March 1982

CROKER, George (-1697)

George Croker, details of whose birth are not at present (1983) traced, was the son of Francis Croker of Yealmpton in Devonshire(1).

He lived at Lineham in Devonshire(2) and joined the Society of Friends by convincement about the year 1658(3).

He was married in 1661 to Anstace Tripe(4) and there were five children(5).

George Croker of Lineham died on 25.ii.[April] 1697(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 His parentage is given in his marriage entry, note 4: his age at death is not given

2 Joseph Foster, Pedigree of Francis Fox of St Germans, Cornwall, London 1872, p 6

3 The Friend vol 2 (1844) p 217

4 The wedding took place on 24.ix.[November] 1661: he is described as the son of Francis of Yealmpton; she is described as the daughter of Nicholas of Kingsbridge (Devon QM Marriages Digest)

5 Listed in Devon QM Births and Marriages Digests as follows:-

Mary	b 28 vi [Aug] 1662	died
Tabitha qv	b 22 iv [June] 1664	m 1686 Francis Fox (-1704 qv) (as second wife)
Mary	b 24 xi 1665 [i.e. Jan 1665/6]	
Francis	b 22 iv [June] 1667	
Sarah	b 24 xii 1669 [i.e. Feb 1669/70]	

Apart from Tabitha, no marriages are traced for these children in Devon QM Marriages Digest

In the birth entries, the name is given as Crooker

6 Devon QM Burials Digest: no description of him is given

N.B. There was possibly another son. J Friends Hist Soc vol 28, p 57 states as follows:- "John, son of George Croker and Ann, daughter of John Peters, did solemnise their marriage ye 14th day of ye month called July at ye Meeting House."

From Phillimore's Cornwall Parish Registers, vol IV, St Minver, pp 119-154

MEG Oct 1983

CROPPER, Jane (1743-) after 1790 Binns

[Jane Cropper, daughter of Thomas Cropper (-)
and his wife Ann (born)
of Bickerstaff in Lancashire, was married in 1790 to
Jonathan Binns (1718-1794 qv).

See BINNS, Jane (1743-) born Cropper]

MEG May 1981

CROKER, John (1672/3-1727/8)

John Croker was born in Plymouth on 8.xii.1672 [i.e.February 1672/3](1). In his youth John Crokerhad had 'divers remarkable occurrences' both by sea and land. At about the age of 22 he felt called upon to preach in which duty he was 'plain and honestly discharged himself'. He attended meetings diligently and urged others to do the same and to keep up the week day meetings. He was generally ready to speak to the condition of those who visited him 'to the tendering of several hearts".

He was a loving husband and father, but not over-indulgent with his children, or with those under his care.

He died 29.xi.1727 [i.e.January 1727/8] aged about 55 years, and was buried in the Friends Burial Ground at Horsham.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Sussex QM in TCMD, vol.2, pp.118-9

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Sussex & Surrey QM Births digest. Marriage not traced in Sussex & Surrey QM Marriages digest. But children recorded as follows:

John	born	5.iv.[June].1703
Samuel	born	10.x[December].1711

His widow, Elizabeth Croker, Married Richard Reeves of Maidenhead on 10.viii[October].1735. Sussex and Surrey QM Marriages digest.

SEE ALSO

E. Danielowski, Journale der frühen Quäker, p.72
W.& T. Evans, Friends Library, vol.14, p.1
F.W. Dymond, John Croker 1673-1727, FQE, vol.21, pp.225-249

WBE:

CROKER, John, 1673-1727.

b. 8 XII 1673, Plymouth, Devonshire, Eng., s. George and Anstice (Tripe) Croker.

1686, was sent to America, and settled with his master John Shilson, about 15 miles from Phila., for 1 year. 1687, his master, his wife, and their daughter all died of a distemper. Placed under George Keith at Phila., Pa. 1690, placed on board a vessel for Newcastle. Captured by a French privateer, and carried to an island near Newfoundland. Escaped, and reached Eng., having been absent 5 years.

m., 1695, Peters, of Minver (d. 1699).

Became a minister.

m. (2d), 1702, Elizabeth Gates. Four children.

1711, removed to Horsham, in Sussex.

One who looked to Providence in his trials, and always found help.

d. 29 XI 1727, Horsham, Sussex, in his 55th year.

Friends Library (Phila.), 14:1.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:482.

Friends Quart. Exam., 21(1887):225.

CROKER, John (1739-1807)

John Croker, the son of Richard Croker (-) and his wife Margaret (born) of Guildford in Surrey, was born there on 20.v.[July] 1739(1).

He became a cutler at Guildford(2) and was married in 1780 to Martha Tyler (1744?-1780 qv) (3); there was one child(4).

John Croker of Godalming in Surrey died on 15 April 1807, at the age of sixty seven(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Sussex & Surrey QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
3 The wedding was at Reading on 27 January 1780: he is described as a cutler of Guildford in Surrey, the son of Richard and Margaret Croker of Guildford; she is described as the daughter of Joseph and Ann Tyler, late of Reading in Berkshire (Berks & Oxon QM Marriages Digest)
4 Listed in Sussex & Surrey QM Births Digest as follows:-
Martha b 3 Nov 1780
No marriage traced for her in Sussex & Surrey QM Marriages Digest
5 Sussex & Surrey QM Burials Digest: no description of him is given

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

MEG March 1982

CROKER, Margaret (1712/3-1761) born Neatby

Margaret Neatby, the daughter of Anthony Neatby (-) and his wife Alice (born) of the parish of St Thomas in Southwark, was born there on 22.xi.1712 [i.e.January 1712/3] (1).

She was married in 1734 to Richard Croker (1706/7-1775 qv), a cutler of Guildford in Surrey and there were four or five children(2).

Margaret Croker of Guildford died on 30 January 1761(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
2 For marriage and children see CROKER, Richard (1706/7-1775)
3 Sussex & Surrey QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of Richard; her age at death is not given

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

MEG March 1982

CROKER, Martha (1744?-1780) born Tyler

Martha Tyler, the daughter of Joseph and Ann Tyler of Reading in Berkshire, was born about the year 1744(1).

She was married in 1780 to John Croker (1739-1807 qv), a cutler of Guildford in Surrey and there was one child(2).

Martha Croker of Guildford died on 11 November 1780, at the age of thirty six(3), a few days after the birth of her daughter.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 36 at death. Her birth is not traced in Berks & Oxon QM Births Digest

2 For marriage and issue see CROKER, John (1739-1807)

3 Sussex & Surrey QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of John, a cutler

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

MEG Feb 1982

CROKER, Richard (1706/7-1775)

Richard Croker, the son of John Croker (1672/3-1727/8 qv) and his second wife Elizabeth (after 1735 Reeves, born Gates, 1674- qv) of Liskeard in Cornwall and Horsham in Sussex, was born at Liskeard on 7.xi.1706 [i.e. 1706/7] (1).

He became a cutler at Guildford in Surrey(2) and was married in 1734 to Margaret Neatby (1712/3-1761 qv) of Southwark(3); there were four or five children(4).

Richard Croker died at Guildford on 1 March 1775(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Cornwall QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
3 The wedding was at Park in Southwark on 24.vii.[September] 1734: he is described as a cutler of Guildford in Surrey, the son of John and Elizabeth Croker, late of Horsham in Sussex; she is described as the daughter of Anthony and Alice Neatby of the parish of St Thomas, Southwark (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)
4 Listed in Sussex & Surrey QM Births Digest as follows:-

*Richard b 13 iv [June] 1737
John qv b 20 v [July] 1739 m 1780 Martha Tyler (1744?-1780 qv) (Berks & Oxon QM Marriages)
*Samuel b 21 ii [April] 1750
*Isaac b 1 Feb 1759

*No marriages traced in Sussex & Surrey QM Marriages Digest
Sussex & Surrey QM Burials Digest gives also Elizabeth, died 24 May 1752

5 Sussex & Surrey QM Burials Digest: his age at death is not given and there is no description of him

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

MEG March 1982

CROKER, Tabitha (1664-1729/30 or 1730/31) after 1686 Fox

[Tabitha Croker, daughter of George Croker (-1697 qv) and his wife Anstace (born Tripe,) of Lineham in Devonshire, was married in 1686 to Francis Fox (-1704 qv) of St Germans in Cornwall

<u>See</u> FOX, Tabitha (1664-1729/30 or 1730/31) born Croker]

MEG Oct 1983
replacement

WBE:

CROMWELL, Esther, afterwards Griffin, ca. 1759-1832

see Esther GRIFFIN

CROMWELL, Hannah (1763-1828) aftw. Field

[Hannah Cromwell, daughter of John Cromwell
of New York State, and his wife Anne
(nee) was married in
to William Field

see FIELD, Hannah (1763-1828) born Cromwell]

WBE:
Additional information:

CROOK, John, 1617 or 1618-1699.

b. 1617 or 1618, "North Country."

ca. 1627, went to London to schools. Apprenticed.

Justice of the Peace at Luton, Bedfordshire.

m., 1647, Margaret Mounsell. Six children.

1654, convinced through William Dewsbury. 1655, G. Fox came to J. C.'s house, then went to steeple-house some miles distant, J. C. accompanying. Many convinced and J. C. was discharged from being a justice. Imprisoned. 1656, minister. Met G. F. at Cambridge, where the scholars raged. Rough treatment at Warwick also.

Discovered at one time that he was speaking merely out of his own understanding. Upon realizing this, he gave over preaching for a time, till he again felt the divine call, power and motion to speak. In his communications, he was often eloquent, allegorical and mysterious.

Undismayed, he slept in a "haunted room," and was instrumental in reforming the serving man, who had acted "ghost."

Among his numerous writings may be mentioned, Truth's Principles . ... concerning the Man Christ, his sufferings, death, resurrection, faith in his blood, &c., 1663. Reprinted ca. 17 times.

Suffered much bodily pain before his death.

d. 26 Apr. 1699, in his 82d year, a minister 44 years.

WBE:
Additional information:

CROOK, John, 1617 or 1618-1699. Page 2.

Piety Promoted, 2d part, p. 169.

Evans, Friends in the 17th cent., p. 616.

Journal of G. F., bi-cent. ed., 1:227.

Friends Quart. Exam., 22(1872):400.

Friends Hist. Lib., Swarthmore, Pa., BX 7614.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:483.

Friends Library (Phila.), 13:202.

Penney, First publishers, p. 7.

Crook, A short history of the life, 3d ed.

Budge, Annals, p. 104.

Bedford Hist. Soc., Publications, v. XXV, p. 110-128.

CROOK, Mary Elizabeth (1887 ? - 1971) formerly Howe, b. Harris

Mary Harris was born in Plymouth in about the year 1887 (1) the daughter of George Chambré and Margaret Bertha Harris.

In 1911 she married at Plymouth FMH William Herbert Howe (2) and apparently in about 1920 they moved to London.(3) William Howe died and later, in 1941, she married again, her second husband being William Henry Crook, (1871? - 1951 qv.).(4)

She was a faithful member of the Society serving on several central committees.(5)

She died on September 29, 1971, aged 84.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol. 129 (1971) p.1198

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. We have no exact date of birth, she was aged 84 at death.
2. Marriage Digest. The marriage took place on June 3, 1911. He was the son of William and Mary Hill of Crouch Hill, London.
3. A certificate of transfer of membership from West Devon MM was received by Westminster & Longford MM in 1921.
4. This marriage was not according to Friends usage although both were members. It took place at St. Stephen's Church, Paddington on January 1, 1941.
5. Typescript Committee Index - Friends Ho. Library. This records her committee membership as follows:-

Meeting for Sufferings	1932 - 1954/5 and 1964/5 - 1967.
Finance Committee	1933 - 1947/8 and 1951 - 1965
Institute Committee	1940/1 - 1944/5
Premises Committee	1935 - 1947/8 and 1951 - 1964

SGJ Nov.1977

CROPPER, Mary (1735?-1810) after 1779 Ecroyd

[Mary Cropper, daughter of Thomas and Ann Cropper of Bickersteth near Ormskirk in Lancashire, was married in 1779 to John Ecroyd (1729-1814 qv).

See ECROYD, Mary (1735?-1810) born Cropper]

MEG Oct 1980

CROPPER, James (1773-1840)

James Cropper of The Dingle, near Liverpool, was well known throughout the Society, and beyond it, for his great benevolence and philanthropy.

Waterhouse, Memorials, 1864
Dictionary of National Biography
Conybeare, Dingle Bank 1925

Note by Norman Penney: Pen Pictures 1930, p.181

WBE:
Additional information:

CROPPER, James, 1773-1840 or 1841.

b. 1773, Winstanley, Lancashire, Eng., s. Thomas and Rebecca (Winstanley) Cropper.

Apprenticed to Rathbone Bros., merchants, at Liverpool. Early life spent in Liverpool.

Established firm of Cropper, Benson & Co.

m., ca. 1796, Mary Brinsden (d. ca. 1838). Two sons, one daughter.

1830, promoted Liverpool and Manchester Railway.

Worked against negro slavery. Established cotton mills in Ire. to give peasants employment. Built a school and orphan home at Fearnhead, near Warrington.

Modest and simple amid large possessions.

d. 26 Feb. 1840 or 1841, Fearnhead, aged ca. 67 or 68, bur. in Friends burying ground, Liverpool.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:492 (Smith says he died in 1840.).
An. Mon., 29(1841):17.

WBE:

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CROSBIE, Archibald, 1830-1912.

b. 4 Apr. 1830, Glasgow, Scot., s. David and Margaret (Miller) Crosbie. Ran away from home, but returned.

Advocate of Free Church, and became a minister.

Entered the employ of White and Co., and became foreman.

m, 1850, Elizabeth Pettigrew (d. 1890). Ten children.

Taught in Night School.

Met Barclay's Apology, and was convinced. Minister.

1881, came to Am., West Branch, Iowa. 1884, removed to Paullina, Iowa.

Travelled extensively. 1895, visited Eng. and Scot., also Ire. and Norway.

m. (2d), 1898, Elizabeth F. Coffee (d. 1911).

1901, moved to Brewster, Minn.

Interested in Single Tax. Optimistic--"Progress is sure."

d. 24 Aug. 1912, Paullina, Iowa, aged 82.

Wick, Sketch of the life of Archibald Crosbie, 1933?

Quaker Biog., Series 2, 3:93 (portrait).

The Friend (Phila.), 86:96.

CROSBY, Rachel (1738-1819) after 1758 Hooper

[Rachel Crosby, daughter of Richard Crosby (-)
and his wife Elizabeth (born
of Southwark in Surrey, was married in 1758 to Joseph
Hooper (1732-1789 qv).

See HOOPER, Rachel (1738-1819) born Crosby]

MEG March 1982

CROSBYE, Mary (1671-1741) after 1693/4 or 1694/5 Gandy

[Mary Crosbye, daughter of John Crosbye ( )
and his wife Christian (born)
of Over Whitley in Cheshire, was married in 1693/4 or
1694/5 to Edward Gandy (1670?-1744 qv) of Over Whitley.

See GANDY, Mary (1671-1741) born Crosbye]

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CROSFIELD, Albert Joseph (1852-1931) 3

Albert Joseph Crosfield was born on 14th April 1852, the youngest child of Elizabeth (nee Backhouse) and Joseph Crosfield. His mother died soon after his birth and the family moved from Liverpool to Reigate.

In 1880 he married Gulielma Wallis of Brighton and in 1905 they settled in Cambridge. Together they undertook religious visits in England, Norway and United States of America.

Albert Crosfield was free from an early age to devote his energies to the Society, particularly in the Foreigh Mission field, being associated with the Friends Foreign Mission Association for 50 years. He visited the workers in India in 1886 and 1909 and in China in 1903. In consequence of his concern new stations were opened there and the West China Christian University established. From 1911 to 1920 he was Chairman of the F.F.M.A. Board and later served the Friends Service Council in many ways. Those working overseas greatly appreciated his interested understanding and prayer for them.

Albert Crosfield was Clerk of Sussex, Surrey & Hants Quarterly Meeting and then of Norfolk, Cambridge and Hunts Q.M. For many years he was Clerk of Meeting for Sufferings.

At Cambridge he is remembered for his friendship in the changing life of the University town and for his strong and helpful ministry. To an unusual degree prayer was the strength of his life and the habitual atmosphere of his spirit.

He died on the 8th August 1931.

Testimony of Cambridge, Huntingdon & Lynn M.M. in
Y.M. Proc. 1932, p. 226

WBE:
Additional information: 3

CROSFIELD, Albert Joseph, 1852-1931.

b. Edge Lane, Liverpool. Father m. (2d) Sarah S. Lowe, and removed to Reigate, his home for more than half his life.

Ed. Bootham School.

Visited Norway, 1892. 1900, 18 months in the U. S. 1903, with William Wilson and Marshall N. Fox, visited Friends in West China. 1913, attended Five Years Mtg., Richmond, Ind. 1914, became a "Quaker chaplain." Active member of the British and Foreign Bible Society for 50 years.

Member of Reigate Town Council.

1904, removed to Cambridge, their home for 30 years.

Had a strong interest in nature, as in Adult schools, and temperance. Was a fearless horseman. Rather delicate health.

d. 6 Aug. 1931, Cambridge, in his 80th year.

[For wife see Crosfield, Gulielma (Wallis), 1851-1945.]

Crosfield, Albert Joseph Crosfield, 1935 (numerous portraits).
The Friend (London), 43(1903):677 (early portrait), 55(1915): 25(portrait), 71:764, 770 (portrait), 924.

CROSFIELD, Bertram Fothergill (1882-1951)

Bertram F. Crosfield was born 14 February 1882, the son of Albert and Guilielma Crosfield, and was educated at Leighton Park and Trinity College, Cambridge, where he took his degree in Engineering. He was for forty three years associated with the management and production of one of the National Daily Newspapers.

In 1910 Bertram Crosfield married Eleanor Cadbury and during the first world war they made their home near Jordans. After Jordans became a separate Monthly Meeting, in 1925, Bertram Crosfield gave considerable service over a long period as a member of its Finance and Property Committee. He served in turn as Preparative Meeting and as Monthly Meeting Clerk. He was also a Director of Friends Trusts Ltd. For many years Bertram and Eleanor Crosfield gave an annual Garden Party to all members and attenders of Jordans Monthly Meeting.

'His unfailing courtesy and human kindness, his integrity of purpose and quiet modesty endeared him to many; not only his family circle and immediate friends, but those who were in daily association with him in business. He brought his Quaker principles into the whole of his life. In particular those who worked with him and under him looked upon him as a friend to whom they could always turn in times of trouble and difficulty.'

He died 23 August 1951

Testimony of Jordans MM in YM Proc. 1953, p.134

CROSFIELD, Edwood (1824 - 1878)

Edwood Crosfield, fifth and youngest child of George (1785-1847) and Margaret (Chorley) Crosfield, was born at Liverpool on 26 March 1824 (1). He was a wholesale grocer (2). He married, in 1854, Ellen Dymond (3): they had eight children (4), and lived in Edge Lane, West Derby (5). He later became a sugar refiner (6). He died at Torquay on 7 January 1878, aged 54 years (7).

References and Notes:

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest

2 The Birth Note entries for his first seven children (down to 1865) thus describe him: the marriage extract (1854) describes him as merchant

3 The wedding was at Exeter on 9 March 1854; she was the daughter of John Dymond, banker: (Digest of Marriage Extracts)

4 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows :-

John Dymond	born 23 March 1855
Jessie	born 18 June 1856
Henry Chorley	born 13 April 1858
Mary Sophia	born 14 November 1859
Sarah Emily	born 20 June 1861
Georgiana	born 21 Dec. 1862
Juliet	born 30 Sept. 1865
Alexander Chorley	born 24 November 1867

5 Residence given in entries for births of children

6 Thus described in north note entry for ACC, 1867

7 Digest of Burial Notes: no description given

CROSFIELD, Elizabeth (1708-1751) aftw. Fletcher

[Elizabeth Crosfield, daughter of Simon Crosfield
and his wife Ann, nee ,was married in
to Joseph Fletcher of Wessington

see FLETCHER, Elizabeth (1708-1751) born Crosfield]

CROSFIELD, Elizabeth (1823-1852) born Backhouse

born Lowe

Elizabeth Backhouse, the daughter of James Backhouse (1794-1869 qv) and his wife Deborah (1793-1827 qv) of York, was born there on 4 August 1823.(1) Her mother died when she was only four years old and her father was frequently absent on ministerial journeys abroad, so that her upbringing was left largely to relations. She was educated at first in York, where she was at school for six years and where, according to her own account, she was rebellious and in almost continual trouble. When she left York at the age of about fifteen she went to school at Stoke Newington and it was during this period that, although she had been sensitive from childhood to the promptings of the Holy Spirit, her father's religious training began to have some effect. She was essentially serious and introspective and kept a journal in which she examined with scrupulous care any falling off from the standard of religious life she sought to attain and condemned the youthful folly into which she was sometimes led.

In 1847 she married Joseph Crosfield (1821-1879 qv)(2); the marriage was a very happy one and four children were born to them(3), but she died at West Derby on 22 April 1852(4), following the birth of her fourth child.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1853 pp.71-99

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a nurseryman

2 and 3 For details of marriage and children see CROSFIELD, Joseph (1821-1879 qv)

4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Joseph

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CROSFIELD, George (1754-1820)

George Crosfield, the fourth child of George (1706-1784) and Jane (Rowlandson) Crosfield, was born at Low Park on 22 March 1754 (1). In 1784 he married Ann Key (2): they had thirteen children (3). Between 1799 and 1801 they moved from Warrington to Lancaster, where he became a sugar refiner (4). He died at Lancaster on 10 October 1820, aged 66 years (5).

References and notes

1 The description 'of Low Park' is given in Descent of George Crosfield...1651-1820, reprinted from British archivist, Dec. 1913. Westmorland QM Births Digest gives under 'parents abode' 'of Priston (meeting)' [i.e. Preston Patrick]

2 The wedding was at Penketh on 20 May 1784. She was the daughter of John and Elizabeth Key of Warrington, her father being dead. GC is described as a grocer (Lancashire QM Marriages Digest)

3 Their children were:- George (b.26.v.1785, qv); James (b.5.vi.1787, qv; see note below); Jane (b.20.iii.1789, d.1790); John (b.5.x.1790, qv); Joseph (b.5.x.1792, qv); Elizabeth (b.20.ix.1794, d.1806); Jane (b.19.ii.1797, m.1816 William Satthrthwaite); Mary Ann (b.27.v.1799, m. 1821 Samuel Satterthwaite); Margaret (b.19.v.1801, qv); Simon (b.15.iv.1803 but of note below, qv); William (b.26.v.1805, qv); Elizabeth (b.6.ix.1807, m.1843 Richard Batt); Hannah (b.3.ii.1810, m.1835 James Ryley). In Descent of George Crosfield the date of birth of James is given as 5.v.1787, and that of Simon as 14.v.1803.

4 The children up to and including Mary Ann were born at Warrington; Margaret and later children were born at Lancaster. No occupation is given in Lancashire Births Digest recording the birth of Margaret but 'sugar refiner' appears for that of Simon and subsequent entries.

5 Lancashire QM Burials Digest

CROSFIELD, George (1785-1847)

George Crosfield, the eldest child of George (1754-1820) and Ann (Key) Crosfield, was born at Warrington on 26 May 1785 (1). The family moved to Lancaster between 1799 and 1801, and George Crosfield entered his father's sugar refining business (2). In 1815 he married Margaret Chorley (3): they had five children (4). Between 1817 and 1819 he moved to Liverpool where he became a grocer (5). He was closely associated with John Wilbur, and upheld his cause during his visit to Europe: he was a prominent Friend and an elder (6). He died at Liverpool on 15 December 1847, aged 62 years, and was buried at Penketh (7).

Principal sources
DNB

References and notes
1 Lancashire QM Births Digest
2 He is described as 'Sugar refiner, of Lancaster' in the Marriage Digest, and in the records of birth of his first two children in 1815 and 1817
3 The wedding was at Standish on 11 April 1815. She was the daughter of Alexander and Betty Chorley, AC being described as a lock and hinge manufacturer
4 Listed in Lancashire QM Births Digest as follows:-

Elizabeth	born 30 December 1815
George	born 4 February 1817, died 26 January 1827 aged 10 years
Henry	born 23 July 1819
Joseph	born 13 April 1821
~~Edward~~ Edwood	born 26 March 1824

5 The records of births of the last three children describe him thus
6 Norman Penney, Pen pictures, 1930, p.205 cf also Journal of the life of John Wilbur, 1859
7 Digest of Burial Notes: he is described as wholesale grocer

cf also Warrington worthies L 092.1

WBE:
Additional information:

CROSFIELD, George, 1785-1847.

During the last few years of his life, he gave less attention to business, his time being taken up with concerns of the Society. Correspondent of John Wilbur.

1810, Secretary of the Botanical Society.

Published: A calendar of flora, 1810.

Memoirs of the life and gospel labours of Samuel Fothergill, &c., 1843.

d. Edge Lane, near Liverpool.

The Friend (London), 6:16.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 1:494.

An. Mon. (N. S.), 7(1849):33.

CROSFIELD, George (1785-1847)

George Crosfield, the son of George and Ann Crosfield of Warrington, was born there on 26 May 1785(1). When he was only about fourteen his parents moved from Warrington, leaving him in business there; in his lonely situation, devoid of restraint or supervision, he was only preserved from harm by the kindly interest of the Friends of the meeting of which he was a member.

His natural integrity of character, the example of those who cared for him and the influence of the Holy Spirit in his heart enabled him to withstand the temptations of the world and hisconduct so commended him to Friends that in his thirtieth year he was appointed an elder. His character was stern and inflexible and the courage with which, through good and evil, he contended for what he thought to be right was very striking, but the memory of the way in which he had been helped in his own early life softened the edge of his austerity and made him more willing to concede to the opinions of others when he could do so without violating his principles.

He had an interest in natural history and in 1810 was secretary of the Botanical Society.(2)In 1815 he married Margaret Chorley(3) and they had five children(4). Between 1817 and 1819 he moved to Liverpool, where he became a grocer(5).

He was greatly concerned for the promotion of the cause of Truth and had a clear understanding of the discipline, but he was chary of speaking about his own religious experiences, feeling that such experiences were of too intimate and personal a nature and too bound up with the awe inspiring majesty of God to be the subject of conversation. On the rare occasions when he opened his mind and his heart to his friends it was always in terms of humility and self abasement, acknowledging that he had nothing of his own to trust to. His charity was generous, but often unknown even to members of his own family. He was always deeply concerned for the welfare of the young members of the meeting, being well aware from his own experience of the moral dangers to which they were exposed. He was closely associated with John Wilbur and upheld his cause during his visit to Europe.(6) During the last few years of his life he paid little attention to his business and occupied himself with the concerns of the Society and the many calls upon his time from those who were in need of advice or assistance.

He died at Liverpool on 15 December 1847(7), aged sixty two.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1849 pp 33-38: Dictionary of National Biography

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest
2 Jos.Smith's Catalogue, vol 1 p 494
3 The wedding was at Standish on 11 April 1815: he is described as a sugar refiner of Lancaster; she is described as the daughter of Alexander Chorley, a lock and hinge manufacturer, and his wife Betty (Lancashire QM Marriages Digest)
4 Listed in Lancashire QM Births Digest as follows:-

Elizabeth	b 30 Dec 1815	
George	b 4 Feb 1817	d 26 Jan 1827
Henry qv	b 23 July 1819	
Joseph qv	b 13 April 1821	
Edwood qv	b 26 March 1824	

5 The birth records of the three youngest children describe him thus
6 Norman Penney, Pen pictures, 1930, p 205: cf also Journal of the Life of John Wilbur, 1859
7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a wholesale grocer

PUBLISHED WORKS

A calendar of flora, 1810
Memoirs of the life and gospel labours of Samuel Fothergill, &c., 1843
Letters of William Thompson

Jos.Smith's ~~xxxxxxxx~~ Catalogue vol.1 p 494

SEE ALSO:-

The Friend (london) vol 6 p 16
J Friends Hist Soc vol 19 (1922) pp38,39: Incidental references in vol 2 p 123: vol 3 p 115: vol 4 pp 55,56: vol 13 pp 49, 50,53-55, 93, 137: vol 14 pp 16,65,66: vol 16 p 131: vol 17 p 137: vol 20 p 94: Supp 17 pp 204,205.
A silhouette of GC, with brief biographical notes appears in James Kendrick, Profiles of Warrington worthies, 1853

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CROSFIELD, George (1820-1887)

George Crosfield, eldest child of Joseph (1792-1844) and Elizabeth (Goad) Crosfield, was born 10 May 1820 (1). He entered his father's business as a soap manufacturer (2). In 1851 he married Isabella Ashworth (3): they had two children (4). They were living at Fir Grove, Cheshire in 1852, and Lymm, Cheshire, in 1857 (5). He subsequently removed to London (6). He died on 7 June 1887 aged 67 years, and was buried at Isleworth (7).

References and Notes:-

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest

2 He is described as 'soap manufacturer' in the Marriage Register Digest and as 'soap manufacturer' or 'soap maker' in the records of his children's births.

3 The wedding was on 11 September 1851 at Bolton, Lancs. She was the daughter of Henry Ashworth, cotton manufacturer (Digest of Marriage Extracts)

4 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows :- 1/

Isabella Ashworth	born 23 Oct. 1852, who died 25 Jan.1855 aged 2 years, 3 months	
Amy Letitia	born 25 Dec. 1857	

5 Birth Note entries

6 Removed into Westminster & Longford MM, not yet (Oct.1962) traced

7 Digest of Burial Notes. Residence given as 109 Lancaster Gate. No description given. Publicly registered at Coroner's office, Paddington B/

WBE:
Additional information:

CROSFIELD, George, 1820-1887.

Developed the soap business (Lever Bros.) which in 1927 employed 3000 operatives.

d. Westminster, London.

An. Mon. (N. S.), 46(1888):44.

Jour. Friends Hist. Soc., 25:80.

CROSFIELD, George Bertram (1911 - 1982)

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George Crosfield was born on November 21 1911 at Hampstead, the son of Bertram Fothergill and Eleanor (b. Cadbury) Crosfield.(1) He was educated at Leighton Park School and at Kings College, Cambridge. He followed the family tradition by entering the newspaper industry, seeing the press as a potentially powerful instrument for enlightened social policies. After training in newspaper management with the Westminster Press in Bradford, Darlington and in Birmingham he joined the Daily News Ltd in 1938 which had been newly formed by the merger of the Daily News and Daily Chronicle.(1a) In 1939 he married Mary Sturge Rowntree (2) and they settled in Golders Green (3) where for about thirty years until 1967 they built up a most hospitable home and where his growing family of one son and four daughters were a continuing delight to him.

During the war he registered as a conscientionsobjector but combined increasing duties with the News Chronicle with duties in the Fire Service. During this period the family moved briefly to Beaconsfield. After the war as manager of the News Chronicle and The Star he was involved in all the efforts to keep these newspapers running in the face of increasing competition. This became impossible and in 1960 the papers were sold to Allied Newspapers Ltd. in conditions of some controversy. The closure and its aftermath were a painful time for all concerned and his main aim was to safeguard as far as possible the firm's pensioners and staff. After the sale of the newspapers he continued to manage the affairs of the Daily News Ltd. which then involved an unusual mixture of publications including television journals, the English versions of the Michelin Green Guides and I Spy and other children's books. In 1967 George and his wife moved to Bugley House near Gillingham in Dorset near to where their son was farming and it gave him great pleasure to share in that project. There they joined Wincanton meeting and then in 1977 moved north to Lockton on the edge of the North Yorkshire moors and they joined the meeting at Kirkbymoorside. To all of these meetings including Jordans Meeting in his youth he gave much appreciated service, whether as elder, treasurer or as children's class teacher. He was always ready to help when needed, his financial advice was always greatly valued. He served on various central committees of the Society(4) and was, as might be expected, was for over twenty years chairman of the Friends Book Centre. For a similar period he also served as chairman of Friends Trusts Ltd, and of the trustees of The Friend. He was also for many years a trustee of the Penn Club. He was sometimes out of sympathy with current trends of thought and had a suspicion of unthinking sentimental benevolence, but he lived out his Quaker beliefs in using his talents for the service of his fellows.

He died in hospital at Scarborough on February 23, 1982. aged 70.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol. 140 (1982) pp 333/4

REFERENCES & NOTES continued

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REFERENCES & NOTES

1. Birth Digest. His father was described as a newspaper director.

1a. This is misleading, It should read ' he joined the Daily News Ltd in 1938 where the News Chronicle had recently been formed by the merger of the Daily News and the Daily Chronicle '.

2. Marriage Digest. The marriage took place on April 4, 1939 at York MFH. He was described as bachelor, newspaper executive. The obituary cited above states that the marriage was in 1938. It gives her parents as Arnold S and Mary K Rowntree of York.

3. London & Middlesex QM printed lists of members record him at Golders Green in 1938.

4. Typescript Committee Index - Friends Ho. Library.

Book Centre Committee	1944 - 1973
Friends Trusts Ltd.	1951/2 - 1970
Office Arrangements Cttee	1960 - 1965
Home Service Committee	

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CROSFIELD, George Theodore (1849-1927)

George Theodore Crosfield, the son of Joseph (1821-1879, qv) and Elizabeth (born Backhouse) Crosfield of Edge Hill, West Derby, Liverpool, was born there on 3 August 1849 (1). He was educated at Bootham school for six years from 1860 to 1866 and then entered business as a wholesale tea merchant (2). In 1876 he married Mary Green (3): there were two children (4).

He worked for the Croydon Adult school for nearly 50 years and was a great influence in the town and his own meeting. He was always ready to give counsel and sympathy. He had served as editor of the Friends Christian Union Circular from its commencement until 1882 (5).

His vocal ministry in meetins for worship was sincere and deep, the expression of his life and character.

He died 6 June 1927. He left £33, 650 (6)

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Kingston MM in YM Proc. 1928 p. 260

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Birth Notes: his father is described as wholesale tea dealer.
2 Bootham school registar, 1935, p. 125
3 The wedding was at Hastings on 30 March 1876: he is described as bachelor, tea merchant, of The Dingle, Reigate, son of Joseph Crosfield, tea merchant; she is described as spinster, of 74 Wimpole St. Marylebone, daughter of Thomas Day Green, gentleman.
(Digest of Marriage Registers)
4 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows:-
Alice Mary born 27 May 1877
Hugh Theodore, qv born 1 June 1883
5 Information noted by Friends House Library
6 Press-cutting formerly in Friends House Library.

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WBE:

CROSFIELD, George Theodore, 1849-1927.

b. 1849, Liverpool, Eng., s. Joseph and Elizabeth (Backhouse) Crosfield. Family moved to Reigate.

Attended Bootham School.

Joined the firm of Harrisons and Crosfield. 1872, partner in that business.

m., 1876, Mary Green, of Saffron Walden. Began married life at Wansted. Moved to Croydon.

Keen attender at Meeting for Sufferings. Member of Board of British and Foreign Bible Society. Croydon Adult School, which he started, was his dominant interest.

1910, retired from business.

Gentle, with quiet humour.

d. 6 June 1927, Croydon, in his 78th year.

The Friend (London), 67(1927):580, 585 (portrait).

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WBE:

CROSFIELD, Gulielma (Wallis), 1851-1945.

b. 29 Apr. 1851, Brighton, Eng., dau. Marriage and Hannah (Thistlethwaite) Wallis.

Day-scholar at Brighton Boarding School at Southport.

m., 1880, Albert Joseph Crosfield (see Crosfield, Albert Joseph, 1852-1931). Lived at Reigate. 1904, moved to Cambridge, their home for 26 years.

Minister.

1937, removed to Jordans, Buckinghamshire.

She possessed gaiety and piety.

Author: The golden clew . . . , 1893.

A man in shining armour . . . William Wilson.

Two sunny winters in California, 1904.

Albert Joseph Crosfield, 1935. (Portraits of A. J. C. and G. C., op. pp. 28, 29.)

d. 7 Mar. 1945, Farnham Common, Buckinghamshire, aged 93.

Friends Quart. Exam., 79:179.

The Friend (London), 103:167.

CROSFIELD, Helen Grace (1882-1944) born Harvey

Helen G. Harvey, the daughter of William (1848-1928) and Anna Maria (born Whiting, 1851-1934,qv) Harvey of Leeds, was born on 12 November 1882. She was educated at the Mount School and at Newnham College, Cambridge. In 1911 she married Hugh T. Crosfield (1883-1944,qv).

She wrote Margaret Fox of Swarthmore Hall, which was published in 1913.

As her four children grew older she took an increasingly active part in the life of the Meeting at Croydon and the town. She was for a time chairman of the Mothers' and Infants' Welfare Association and served on the Statutory Committee for Maternity and Child Welfare. She and her husband gave the first public nursery school in Croydon. During the second war she took an active part in the evacuation of small children from Croydon to the country. She was chairman of the Croydon Association for Moral Welfare. Since 1934 she was a magistrate.

She was responsible for the opening of the meeting house, during the depression, as a centre for unemployed men, and later as a gathering place for refugees from central Europe.

Hugh and Helen Crosfield died together on 15 November 1944, when a bomb destroyed their house at Croydon.

'They have left to their children and their friends a precious legacy of memories - of steadfastness in danger, of generous sharing of the good things of life, of the beauty of a home made joyous by unselfish love'.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Croydon & Southwark MM in YM Proc. 1945, p.187

SEE ALSO:

The Friend vol 102 (1944) pp.760-1

Croydon Times 17 and 18.xi.1944 (Friends House, NEWS 1944 092.3)

CROSFIELD, Henry (1819 - 1882)

Henry Crosfield, the third child of George (1785-1847) and Margaret (Chorley) Crosfield, was born at Liverpool on 23 July 1819 (1). He became a wholesale grocer (2). In 1841 he married Elizabeth Wilson (3); they had five children (4). He was in the station of elder (5). He died at Aigburth, Liverpool (6), on 28 January 1882, aged 62 years, and was buried at Penketh (7).

References and Notes

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest

2 Described thus in marriage extract and in birth notes for his children

3 The wedding was at Liverpool on 5 August 1841. She was the daughter of Edward Wilson of Kensington, West Derby, gentleman (Digest of Marriage Extracts)

4 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows :-

Ellen	born 15 June 1842
Edward Wilson	born 14 Sept 1845
George	born 1 April 1848
Edith Elizabeth	born 3 Dec. 1849, who m.1876 Thomas Wakefield Binyon
Henrietta Margaret	born 19 Aug. 1852

5 Annual Monitor 1883, p.36

6 They were living at Deane St. West Derby in 1842-1845, and Edge Lane, West Derby, in 1848-1852 (birth note entries)

7 Digest of Burial Notes. He is described as grocer. There was a Coroner's Order

WBE:

CROSFIELD, Herbert, 1856-1938.

b. 26 Sept. 1856, Reigate, Eng., s. Joseph and Sarah Crosfield.

1867 to 1873, attended Bootham School, York.

Marine underwriter at Lloyds for near 63 years.

m., 1904, Mabel Firth (d. 1917). One son.

m. (2d), 1921, Mary (Emmott) King, of Liverpool.

Elder. A faithful Adult School worker. Worked for temperance.

Member of Reigate Town Council. Twice Mayor. Alderman and Justice of the Peace.

Travelled in North Am., Algeria, Scot., and on the continent of Europe.

Sense of humour often helped in difficult situations.

d. 12 July 1938, Falmouth, aged 81.

The Friend (London), 96(1938):634, 641 (portrait).

CROSFIELD, Hugh Theodore (1883-1944)

Hugh T. Crosfield, son of G.Theodore (1849-1927,qv) and Mary (born Green, 1851-1940,qv) Crosfield of Croydon, was born on 1 June 1883. He was educated at Leighton Park and Kings College, Cambridge. In 1911 he married Helen Grace Harvey (1882-1944,qv) (1): there were four children (2).

He was engaged in the tea trade. He received unconditional exemption during the 1914-18 war, and during the second war served as chairman of the Tea Distribution Committee of the Ministry of Food. He was also deputy chairman of the Friends Provident & Century Life Office (3).

He was deeply concerned for education. He was a governor of Leighton Park School, and clerk to the Saffron Walden School Committee. He was chairman of the Friends Schools Co-ordination Committee and a member of the Friends Education Council Appointments Board.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Croydon & Southwark MM in YM Proc.1945 p.187

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 The wedding was at Leeds on 7 September 1911: he is described as bachelor, tea merchant, of Walden, Stanhope Road, Croydon, son of George Theodore Crosfield, gentleman; she is described as spinster, of The Grove, Roundhay, Leeds, daughter of William Harvey, gentleman (Digest of Marriage Registers)

2 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows :-

Derek Harvey	b 25 October 1915	
Anna Chorley	b 20 March 1919	who m 1946 Michael H. Rowntree
Priscilla	b 28 Jan 1921	
Mary	b 23 Oct 1923	who m T.Peter Rowlands

3 see The Friend ns vol 61 (1921) p.698

SEE ALSO :

The Friend vol 102 (1944) pp.760-1
Croydon times 17 and 18.xi.1944 (Friends House, NEWS 1944 092.3)
Letter about Charles Heath Clark in Croydon advertiser 22.xi.1919 (Friends House, vol YT/90)

CROSFIELD, James (1787-1852)

James Crosfield, the second son of George (1754-1820) and Ann (Key) Crosfield, was born at Warrington on 5 June 1787 (1). He appears to have entered his father's sugar refining business in Lancaster (2). In 1814 he married Hannah Goad (3): they had ~~six~~ seven children (4). He died at Chatham Place, West Derby, Liverpool, on 9 February 1852, aged 64 years (5).

References and notes

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest. cf Descent of George Crosfield...1651-1820, reprinted from British archivist, Dec. 1913, where his birth is given as 5.v.1787

2 The family moved to Lancaster between 1799 and 1801. JC is described in 1814 as sugar refiner of Lancaster (Westmorland QM Marriages Digest) and similarly in the birth entries for all his children.

3 The wedding was at Height-in-Cartmel on 26 July 1814: she was the daughter of Thomas abd Sarah Goad (Westmorland QM Marriages Digest)

4 viz.:-

Sarah	b. 8.vi.1815	
Ann	b. 5.xi.1816	
James	b. 28.xi.1818	
Mary	b. 27.i.1821	
Thomas	b. 19.iii.1825	
Jane	b. 7.viii.1827	
Margaret	b. 4.x.1829	(Lancs QM Births Digest)

5 Digest of Burial Notes. He is described as gentleman

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CROSFIELD, Jane (1713-1784) born Rowlandson

Jane Rowlandson was born in 1713 (1), the daughter of James and Mary Rowlandson of Frith Hall, Cartmel, Lancs (2).

She married 4.xii.1746 [i.e. Feb.1746/7] at Height, George Crosfield of Low Park, Preston Richard, Westmorland (3). In 1761 she wrote to her husband, 'among the many great ones that I have seen none, as I think, lives so happy as thou and I'. (4)

She received a gift in the ministry about her 20th year, and travelled widely visiting many parts of England and Scotland (5). She visited Ireland in 1743 with Alice Alderson (1678?-1766 qv), in 1757 with Lucy Bradley, and in 1770 (6). She visited America in 1760-61 (7).

She was 'an Exemplary Pattern of Self-denial, Moderation and Christian Simplicity, and much distinguished for her Hospitality and Openness of Heart... A loving Wife, a tender & affectionate Parent, a kind Friend and a helpful Neighbour'. She was a diligent attender of meetings for worship and discipline, had considerable service in the families of Friends, and was much concerned for the younger members.

She died 1 February 1784, aged about 71, a minister 44 years. She was buried at Preston Patrick 5 February (8).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Kendal meeting in TCMD vol.3 p.262

NOTES AND REFERENCES

1 Not in Lancs QM Births digest. A.M.Gummere in her note on JC in The Journal of John Woolman, p 543 gives the year of birth as 1712

2 Lancs QM Marriages digest

3 ibid.

George Crosfield's birth is not in Westmorland QM Births digest. He died 23 June 1784, aged about 79

- Westmorland QM Burials digest

Children:

Simon	born 11.ii.[April]1748
Mary	born 16.iv.[June]1750
James	born 10 May 1752
George	born 22 March 1754
Joseph	born 21 March 1756

- Westmorland QM Births digest

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CROSFIELD, Jane (1713-1784) born Rowlandson contd.

4 quoted J.D. Crosfield, 'Jane Crosfield 1712 to 1784' in Friends Quart.Exam. vol.37 (1903) p.245

5 A list of the certificates granted to her by Kendal MM is in J.D. Crosfield, op.cit. pp.244-5

6 'Record of Friends travelling in Ireland, 1656:1765' in J.Friends hist.soc. vol.10 (1913) p.260; 'Record of Friends travelling in Ireland 1756:1861' in J.Friends hist.soc. vol.15 (1918) p.18

7 An account of this visit is given in J.D. Crosfield, op.cit. pp.245-9. Meeting for Sufferings paid £63 for the passage and accommodation of George Mason, Susannah Hatton and Jane Crosfield on the outward voyage

8 Westmorland QM Burials digest. TCMD gives date of death as 2 Feb.

SEE ALSO

Memoirs of the life, religious experience, and labours in the gospel, of Jane Gough &c (3rd ed. Liverpool 1830) p.69

'An account of ministering Friends from Europe who visited America, 1656 to 1793' in J.Friends hist.soc. vol.10 (1913) pp.120, 130

see also next page

CROSFIELD, Jane (17~~12~~13-1784) born Rowlandson

Daughter of James Rowlandson, of Frith Hall, Lancashire. The ancient dwelling is now a ruin. It was situated on the river Leven, not far from Swarthmoor. She appeared in the ministry in 1740, and made her first tour with a certificate in 1748, after which she was for twenty four years almost constantly engaged abroad in 'Truth's Service.' She married, in '2mo. (April) 1746', George Crosfield, of 'Low Park', Preston Patrick, near Kendal, Westmorland, who died 1784. Her husband's sister, Isabel Crosfield, married Thomas Gawthrop, q.v.
In company with George Mason and Susannah (Hudson) Hatton, (afterwards Lightfoot), she came to America on the 'Philadelphia Packet', Captain Richard Budden, sailing 7mo. 23 1760, in a fleet of thirty six sail under convoy, and arriving at Philadelphia 9mo. 11. Sixty three pounds were paid by the London Meeting for Sufferings for the passage of the party. A full account exists of her American visit not, unfortunately, in her own hand. A very interesting list of the 'sea-stores' which she took on board the 'Catharine and Mary', Captain Condy, the vessel on which she made the return voyage home from Philadelphia, 10mo. 22 1761, exists, in the handwriting of James Pemberton. (Jour. Frds' Hist. Soc. London, Vol. II, p. 139. 1905). One is struck with the amazing amount of liquors of all kinds which she took on board, as was customary in those days, even with the knowledge that much of it was to be shared with the passengers and crew.
She must have become quite well acquainted with John Woolman during her visit in America; they had many friends in common. Her death occurred 2mo. 2 1784. Her husband survived her but four months, dying in 6mo. ('Friends' Quarterly Examiner', 1903. p.244.)

Note in 'The Journal of John Woolman', 1922, p.543

see also previous page

WBE:
Additional information:

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CROSFIELD, Jane (Rowlandson), 1712 [London says 1713]-1784.

Upon marriage, became member of Preston Patrick Mtg.

While in Am. in 1760-61, travelled on horseback.

Hannah White (21) accompanied her to New Eng. in winter.

1772, J. Woolman at the Crosfields' wrote his account of his attack of pleurisy in 1770.

d. End Moor, near Preston Patrick, Westmoreland.

Friends Library (Phila.), 9:233.

Jour. Friends Hist. Soc., 21:64.

Friends Quart. Exam., 37(1903):237.

CROSFIELD, Jane (1795-1855) after 1818 Drape, after 1823 Oddie

For references to Jane, daughter of Jospeh and Ann Crosfield of Hartshill, Warwickshire, who married David Drape in 1818, and John Oddie in 1823

see ODDIE, Jane (1795-1855) formerly Drape, born Crosfield

CROSFIELD, John (1790-1871)

John Crosfield, the fourth child of George (1754-1820) and Ann (Key) Crosfield, was born at Warrington on 5 October 1790 (1). Between 1799 and 1801 the family settled at Lancaster: John Crosfield subsequently moved to Liverpool and became a grocer (2). In 1821 he married Ann Head (3): they had no children (4). He died at Ambleside on 23 February 1871, aged 81 years (5). He was in the station of elder (6).

References and notes

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest
2 He is so described in 1821 (Cumberland QM Marriages Digest)
3 The wedding was at Scotby, Cumb., on 28 November 1821: she was the daughter of Joseph Monkhouse and Elizabeth Head (Cumberland QM ~~Birthx Digest~~ Marriages Digest)
4 Descent of George Crosfield...1651-1820, reprinted from British archives, December 1913
5 Digest of Burial Notes: he is described as gentleman
6 Annual monitor 1872, p.55

CROSFIELD, John (1832-1901)

John Crosfield, the eighth child of Joseph (1792-1844) and Elizabeth (Goad) Crosfield, was born at Warrington on 11 February 1832 (1). He was at Lawrence Street School, York from 1841 to 1845 and at Bootham in 1846. In 1864 he married, not according to Quaker usages (2), Eliza Dickson: they had five children(3). She died in 1881, and in 1888 he married Gertrude Jane Dickson: they had three children (4). He had entered his father's business as a soap manufacturer in Warrington. He was a town councillor, a J.P., and mayor in 1883. He was active in local life and activity (5) and threw his gardens open to the public three or four times a year. His ~~habits~~ hobbies were travel, music, billiards, bowls, and collecting pictures. He died in 1901 (6).

<u>Principal sources</u>
<u>Bootham school register</u>, 1935, p.126

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest
2 His marriage does not appear in the Marriage Registers Digest
3 Given in <u>Bootham Register</u> as follows:-

Arthur Henry	born 1865	
Joseph John		
Constance Eleanor		
Aileen Harriet		
Horace Goad		died

4 Given in <u>Bootham Register</u> as follows:-

George Rowlandson		
Gertrude Hudson		
Hilda Elisabeth		died

5 Activities and interests listed in <u>Bootham register</u> thus:- Chairman of Brunner, Mond & Co.; Chairman, Crosfield & Co., Ltd; Founded, with others, the cricket ground, Warrington; Also the School of Art; Voyage round the world, 1895; Founded and built Working Men's Mission and Threwle's Street Schools, Bank Quay, Warrington; Helped the local Press of Warrington by writing articles for the papers; Strong Liberal all his life, and contested for Warrington once, but unsuccessful.
6 Death not recorded in Digest of Burial Notes. Name does not appear in printed List of Members of Hardshaw East MM, 1900. He is therefore assumed to have resigned from the Society of Friends.

CROSFIELD, Joseph (1756-1830)

Joseph Crosfield was born on 21 March 1756, the son of George (1706-1784) and Jane Crosfield (1712-1784, born Rowlandson qv) of Preston Patrick meeting, Westmorland. (1) He may have been educated at Kendal school: his son, Joseph Crosfield (1802-1851 qv) wrote that his father 'studied botany, latin &c with blind John Gough of Kendal ... In two years, my father when a young man, collected a good herbarium in that neighbourhood.' (2) It is likely that he was reading master at Ackworth School from 1786 to 1787. (3) He afterwards moved to Stourbridge, Worcestershire, and on 9 June 1794, at Atherstone, Warwickshire, he married Ann Adkins. She was the daughter of Richard Adkins (1720-1782 qv) who had been master of the school at Hartshill near Atherstone and of Hannah Adkins (1727-1785, born Worme), who with her son John Adkins (1763-1846 qv) had carried the school on after 1782. Soon after his marriage Joseph Crosfield became master of Hartshill school. He maintained its high reputation. (4) He also served as overseer of the poor of the parish in 1802-1803 and in 1815. (5)

Eight children of the marriage of Joseph and Ann Crosfield are recorded, including Jane Oddie (1795-1855, formerly Drape, born Crosfield qv) and Joseph Crosfield (1802-1851 qv)(6) Joseph Crosfield died at Hartshill on 25 July 1830; Ann Crosfield had died on 31 January 1825; both were buried at Hartshill Friends burial ground. (7)

NOTES & REFERENCES

1 Westmorland QM Births Digest: his parents are described as of Preston meeting.
2 Letter of Joseph Crosfield to Sarah Tomlinson, 16.viii.1842 (LSF Port. 41/116)
3 Joseph Spence Hodgson: Superintendents, teachers and principal officers of Ackworth School, Ackworth, 1895, p 7. He would appear to be one of the two masters who left the school in 1787 following a committee of inspection (Henry Thompson: A history of Ackworth School, Ackworth, 1879, pp 67-70).
4 Warwick Leicester & Rutland QM Marriages Digest, where Joseph Crosfield is described as a schoolmaster of Stourbridge, Worcestershire, the son of George and Jane Crosfield, late of Lowpark, Westmorland, and Ann Adkins as the daughter of Richard and Hannah Adkins, late of Hartshill. Warwick Leicester & Rutland QM Births Digest records her birth on 20 December 1760. William White, in Friends in Warwickshire, 2nd ed., 1886, pp 115 and 179 refers to the school's reputation under him. Mary Howitt, in Mary Howitt: an autobiography, edited by Margaret Howitt, London, 1889, vol 1 p 5, refers to her father, Samuel Botham's (1758-1823) having been educated at the 'best reputed Friends' school of that time, kept by Joseph Crosfield at Hartshill', but at that time it must still have been conducted by Richard Adkins. The younger Joseph Crosfield, in a letter to Charles Tomlinson, 2.xii.1841 (LSF Port 41/108) speaks of his father, 'his brother in law, & father in law, [having] had the same school for three fourths of a century: for many years there were from 20 to 40 boarders; but during the whole period no boarder died at the school or contracted any fatal disorder.'
5 Information of Joan Allen of Hartshill, 6 Dec 1976 (Library correspondence).

CROSFIELD, Joseph (1756-1830) cont

6 The children are listed as follows in Warwick Leicester & Rutland QM Births, Marriages and Burials Digests, and in the Digest of Deaths:

Jane	b 16 June 1795	m David Drape 24 July 1818
Richard	b 26 Aug 1796	d 19 Aug 1873
Hannah	b 28 Oct 1797	
George	b 27 July 1799	d 8 Feb 1817
Adkins	b 25 Nov 1800	d 30 April 1818
Joseph	b 21 Jan 1802	d 13 June 1851
Mary Ann	b 8 May 1803	
Caroline	b 23 Aug 1804	d 14 July 1871

Hannah married on 25 March 1823 at Warrington, Lancashire, John Harrison (1796-1852 qv) (Lancashire QM Marriages Digest). At their deaths, George and Adkins Crosfield were described respectively as a watchmaker of Chesterfield, Derbyshire, and a linen-draper of Leeds, Yorkshire.

7 Warwick Leicester & Rutland QM Burials Digest, where Joseph Crosfield is described as a schoolmaster of Hartshill, parish of Lancetter, aged about 74, and Ann Crosfield as wife of Joseph, aged about 64. Joseph Crosfield's death was also noted in the Annual monitor, 1831, p 12, where he is described as an elder.

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CROSFIELD, Joseph (1792-1844)

Joseph Crosfield, the fifth child of George (1754-1820) and Ann (Key) Crosfield was born at Warrington on 5 October 1792 (1). In 1819 he married Elizabeth Goad (2) and they had ten children (3). He was a soap manufacturer in Warrington (4). He died at Warrington on 16 February 1844, aged 52 years (5).

References and notes

1 Lancashire QM Births digest

2 The wedding was at Height-in-Cartmel on 28 April 1819. She was the daughter of Thomas and Sarah Goad of Baycliff, Lancs. (Westmorland QM Marriages Digest)

3 Listed in Lancashire QM Births Digest and (after July 1837) in Digest of Birth Notes as follows :-

George	born 10 May 1820, qv
Thomas Goad	born 15 March 1822, died 3 Nov.1822, aged 8 months
Ann	born 7 October 1823
Sarah	born 7 May 1825
Morland	born 17 March 1827, qv
Maria	born 30.Jan.1829, died 19 April 1844, aged 15 years
Joseph	born 12 Jan.1831, died 12 April 1844, aged 13 years
John	born 11 February 1832, qv
Jane	born 22 Nov. 1835
Harriet	born 11 June 1841

4 He is described as 'soapboiler' in 1819 (Westmorland QM Marriages Digest) and as 'soap manufacturer' or 'soap maker' in the entries recording his children's births (Lancashire QM Births Digest)

5 Digest of Burial Notes. He is described as 'soap manufacturer'

WBE:
Additional information:

CROSFIELD, Joseph, 1792-1844.

Carried on soap-making, still conducted (1927) as Lever Brothers.

Friend of Penketh School.

Strong powers of mind and good judgment.

Short illness.

The Friend (London), 2(1844):71.

Jour. Friends Hist. Soc., 25:79.

An. Mon. (N. S.), 1845, p. 39.

CROSFIELD, Joseph (1821-1879)

Joseph Crosfield, the fourth child of George (1785-1847) and Margaret (Chorley) Crosfield, was born at Liverpool on 13 April 1821 (1). He became a wholesale tea dealer (2). In 1847 he married Elizabeth Backhouse (3): they had four children (4). In 1854 he married Sarah Swabridge Lowe (5): they had three children (6). They remained in Liverpool until 1855 or 1856, when they removed to Reigate (7). He died at Reigate on 15 December 1879, aged 58 years (8).

References and Notes :-

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest

2 Thus described in records of marriages and births of children, except for second marriage (1854) and birth of youngest child (1859) where the description is tea merchant.

3 The wedding was at York on 18 August 1847; she was the daughter of James Backhouse, nurseryman

4 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows :-

James Backhouse	born 25 May 1848
George Theodore	born 3 Aug. 1849
Josephine	born 20 Jan. 1851, who m. 1881 Joseph Gundry Alexander
Albert Joseph	born 14 April 1852

5 The wedding was at Liverpool on 3 August 1854: she was the daughter of Thomas Lowe, glover

6 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows :-

Sarah Elizabeth	born 20 June 1855, who m.1878 Henry Marriage Wallis
Herbert	born 26 Sept. 1856
Margaret Chorley	born 7 Sept. 1859

7 The first two children's births are recorded as Edge Hill, and the next three as Edge Lane. The youngest two children were born at Reigate

8 Digest of Burial Notes: he is described as Tea Merchant

CROSFIELD, Josephine (1851-1940) after Alexander

Josephine Crosfield, daughter of Joseph Crosfield, was married to Joseph Gundry Alexander in .

see ALEXANDER, Josephine (1851-1940) born Crosfield

CROSFIELD, Margaret (1786-1855) born Chorley

Margaret Crosfield was the wife of George Crosfield, an Elder, of Liverpool Meeting

Jnl.Friends Hist:Soc: 20

Note by Norman Penney: Pen Pictures 1930, p.182

CROSFIELD, Mary (1851-1940) born Green

Mary Green, twin daughter of Thomas Day and Harriet Green of Saffron Walden, Essex, was born there on 26 November 1851 (1). She married in 1876 George Theodore Crosfield (1849-1927,qv) (2), and for most of her married life she lived in Croydon. She was actice in the town in Women's Suffrage affairs, the Temperance movement, and work for mothers' and infants' welfare. 'She was behind her husband, Theodore Crosfield, in the devoted service he gave to Class A of the Adult School in Croydon, and after his death in 1927 she retained her keen interest in the Class and the individual members. Her work for the Home Service Committee was one of her chief interests outside her home. For very many years she was a member of the Committee, and she attended its meetings until the outbreak of war' (3).

She died on 7 April 1940, aged 89 years.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend, vol 98 (1940) p.230

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Birth Notes; her father is described as grocer

2 For details of her marriage and two children see CROSFIELD, George Theodore (1849-1927)

3 The Friend vol 98 (1940) p.230

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CROSFIELD, Mary King (1882-1951) born Emmott

Mary K. Crosfield was born 22 October 1882, the eldest child of George Henry and Elizabeth Braithwaite Emmott, at Wilmslow, Cheshire. When she was five her parents moved to Baltimore, Md. and Mary Emmott was educated at Bryn Mawr School, U.S.A. When the family returned to Birkenhead, she entered Liverpool University where she took her M.A. and gained diplomas in Education and English Literature. She taught for several years, including three years as Headmistress of Sidcot School.

During the 1914-18 war years, Mary Emmott travelled on behalf of the Emergency Committee (later the Friends War Victims Relief Committee) and worked in the London Office of the first British Ambulance Unit for Italy. At this time she studied the causes of war and became the first Publicity Secretary of the original War and Social Order Committee. In 1919 she visited the U.S.A. to arouse interest there.

Mary Emmott became a member of Reigate Meeting in 1920, and in 1921 married Herbert Crosfield, then Mayor of the Borough. She took a deep interest in the public life of the borough, being specially concerned for the elderly and feeble. She was a member of Reigate Town Council, and served on the Education Committee.

She undertook much work for the Society of Friends; she was Assistant Clerk to Meeting for Sufferings and attended committees at Friends House regularly. She was Monthly Meeting Clerk for nine years and also Preparative Meeting Clerk for ten years, as well as being an Elder and Overseer.

'When the Grace of God is allowed to work through human lives it shows itself in many ways. With Mary K. Crosfield one of these was greathumility. She possessed that wonderful gift of the true teacher, the ability to help others to find the gift of leadership'.

She died 7 February 1951

Testimony of Dorking Horsham & Guildford MM in YM Proc. 1952, p.165

CROSFIELD, Morland (1827-1875)

Morland Crosfield, the fifth child of Joseph (1792-1844) and Elizabeth (Goad) Crosfield, was born at Warrington on 17 March 1827 (1). He was at Lawrence Street School, York 1841-1842. In 1854 he married, not according to Quaker usages (2) Margaret Davis: they had two children (3). His hobbies were shooting, fishing, figure skating and billiards. He died in 1875 (4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Bootham school register, 1935, p.126

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest

2 His marriage does not appear in the Marriage Registers Digest: before 1859 it was usual Quaker practice to disown those marrying before a priest or registrar

3 Given in Bootham Register as follows:-

Ernest Morland	born 1856
Sydney Morland	born 1861, died 1908

4 Death not recorded in Digest of Burial Notes

CROSFIELD, Simon (1803-1864)

Simon Crosfield, the tenth child of George (1754-1820) and Ann (Kay) Crosfield, was born at Lancaster on 15 April 1803 (1). He moved to Liverpool where he became a tobacco manufacturer and subsequently a manufacturing chemist (2). In 1834 he married Eliza Binns (3): there were five children (4). He died at Edge Lane, West Derby, on 24 November 1864, aged 61 years (5).

References and notes

1 Lancashire QM Births Register. cf Descent of George Crosfield... 1651-1820, reprinted from British archivist, Dec. 1913, where his birth is given as 14.v.1803.

2 He is described as tobacco manufacturer in 1834 and 1836 (Westmorland QM Marriages Digest; Lancashire QM Births Digest) and as manufacturing chemist from 1837 to 1840 (~~Lancashire QM Births~~ Digest OF Birth Notes/). No occupation appears in the entry for his youngest child in 1842, but he is again described as manufacturing chemist in 1864 (Digest of Burial Notes)

3 The wedding was at Hardshaw on 24 September 1834: she was the daughter of George and Sarah Binns, her father being described as merchant deceased (Lancashire QM Marriages Digest)

4 Listed in Lancashire QM Births Digest and (after July 1837) Digest of Birth Notes as follows:-

Alfred	born 9.ix.1836
Lucy	b. 26.x.1837
Emily	b. 30.i.1839
Isabella	b. 25.iv.1840
Sarah Anne	b. 22.iv.1842

5 Digest of Burial Notes. The residence on the birth note entries had been Liverpool except 1839 (West Derby) and 1840 (West Derby Street, Walton)

CROSFIELD, Theodore (1849-1927)

see CROSFIELD, George Theodore (1849-1927)

CROSFIELD, William (1805-1881)

William Crosfield, the eleventh child of George (1754-1820) and Ann (Key) Crosfield, was born at Lancaster on 26 May 1805 (1). He moved to Liverpool where he was a wholesale grocer (2). In 1835 he married Eliza Ryley (3): only one child is recorded as a member, and he ~~xx~~ appears to have left the Society of Friends (4). He died on 20 February 1881x (5).

References and notes

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest

2 He is so described in 1835 (Lancashire QM Marriages Digest)

3 The wedding was at Hardshaw on 4 August 1835: she was the daughter of James and Margaret Ryley of Liverpool, JR being described as a sail-maker

4 The one child recorded in Lancashire QM Births ~~Register~~ Digest is:-

Margaret Ryley b. 8.viii.1836

No entry has been traced in Digest of Birth Notes. WC's death in 1881 does not appear in Digest of Burial Notes, nor is it recorded in the Annual monitor: it is therefore to be assumed that he resigned some time between 1836 and 1881

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CROSLAND, Ann (1827?-1916) born Milner

Ann Milner, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of Abraham Milner of Leeds and was born about the year 1827(1).

She was married in 1853 to William Crosland (1825-1912 qv), a grocer of Otley in Yorkshire and there were four children born between the years 1854 and 1862(2). Her husband subsequently built up an engineering business in Manchester and Bredbury near Stockport in Cheshire(3).

Ann Crosland of Romiley in Cheshire died on 10 January 1916, at the age of eighty nine(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 89 at death: her birth is not traced in Yorkshire QM Births Digest
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, William (1825-1912)
3 See entry for CROSLAND, William (1825-1912)
4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of William
Romiley is 4 miles E of Stockport

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Annie (1856?-1930) born Hall

Annie Hall, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of John Hall and his wife Ann (born Binns) of East Witton in Wensleydale in Yorkshire and was born about the year 1856(1). She was educated at Ackworth School from 1867 to 1870(2). Most of her early life was spent at Maldon in Essex and later in Sheffield.

She was married in 1882 to Leo Crosland (1854-1930 qv), an engineer of Manchester and there were four children, born apparently between 1884 and 1890(3).

For thirteen years the Croslands lived in Manchester, later moving to Bredbury near Stockport in Cheshire, where her husband's father had an engineering business of which his sons became directors(4). When Annie Crosland first went there the meeting at Stockport was very small, but she threw herself into the life of the community, becoming an overseer and an elder and taking a very useful part in the activities of the meeting.

She was a member of many charitable committees, doing especially useful work for the NSPCC and the Sick Nursing Association. During the first world war she was a very capable member of the committee for the relief of Belgian refugees, as she spoke both French and Flemish. For many years she was president of the Women's Liberal Association and was also a familiar figure at Ackworth Old Scholars' gatherings and the General Meeting.

During her last three years she had much anxiety owing to the failure of her husband's health and his eventual death. She did her best to carry on an active life, but Annie Crosland of The Hawthorns, Bredbury, died on 11 December 1930, at the age of seventy four(5), about seven months after her husband.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 50 (1931) p 79

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 74 at death: her birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 188, entry 8462: from Sheffield
3 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Leo (1854-1930)
4 See entry for CROSLAND, William (1825-1912)
5 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Leo

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Annie (1866?-1947) born Hudson

Annie Hudson, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of Samuel Hudson of Leicester and was born about the year 1866(1).

She was married in 1886 to Milner Crosland (1856-1921 qv), an engineer's clerk of Manchester and Bredbury near Stockport in Cheshire and there were two children(2).

She was not at the time of her marriage a member of the Society of Friends, but was received into membership about the year 1894(3).

Annie Crosland of Branksome, Kings Road, Colwyn, north Wales, died on 31 October 1947, at the ageof eighty one(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 81 at death
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Milner (1856-1921)
3 Hardshaw East printed lists of members: she is shown as a member of Manchester Meeting in 1895, but not in 1893
4 Digest of Deaths: sheis described as the widow of Milner

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Charles (1862-1929)

Charles Crosland, the youngest son of William Crosland (1825-1912 qv) and his wife Ann (born Milner, 1827?-1916 qv), was born in the year 1862(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1871 to 1876(2).

On leaving Ackworth he was apprenticed to his father's engineering business in Manchester, but when he was twenty one he went to Austrailia with the idea of settling there. He spent two years in Sydney and Ballarat, but decided to return home and join his brothers in developing the family business. The need for extending the works became imperative and the firm moved to Bredbury, near Stockport in Cheshire.

Charles Crosland was twice married. He married firstly in 1889 Jane Hudson (1867?-1913 qv) of Leicester, who was not a member of the Society of Friends(3), but the marriage was apparently childless(4). He married secondly in 1915 Elizabeth Youde (1883?-1960 qv) of Reddish in Lancashire(5), but this marriage was also childless(6).

He was a keen cyclist in the early days of cycling, when a Young Friends' Cycling Club was organised, of which Joseph Spence Hodgson (1838-1922 qv)* and John William Graham (1859-1932 qv) were active members. Later his interests centred on golf and motoring.

Charles Crosland of Lonedale, Beech Lane, Romiley in Cheshire, died on 8 December 1929, at the age of sixty seven(7).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 49 (1930) pp 76-77

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Bootham School Register 1935, pp 127-128: his birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 196, entry 8796: from Manchester
3 The wedding was at Manchester on 23 October 1889: he is described as a bachelor, an engineer of Manchester, the son of William Crosland, a machinist; she is described as not in membership, a spinster, a teacher of Leicester, the daughter of Samuel Hudson, a boot and shoe manufacturer (Digest of Marriages)
4 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
5 The wedding was at Stockport on 31 August 1915: he is described as a widower, an engineer of Romiley, the son of William Crosland, an engineer; she is described as a spinster of Reddish, the daughter of Thomas Youde, a builder (Digest of Marriages)
6 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as the director of a limited company

*AOSA Reports 49 (1930) p 77 erroneously gives his name as Joseph Spencer Hodgson

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Constance Mary [Robson] (1873-1963) born Robson

Constance Mary Robson, the daughter of Joshua Wheeler Robson (1831-1917 qv) and his wife Elizabeth (born Rowntree, 1839-1914 qv) of Dalton near Huddersfield, was born there on 4 April 1873(1). Her education, begun at home by governesses, was continued at The Mount, York, from 1887 to 1891(2), where she made several lasting friendships.

On leaving school she began to train as a nurse, but an illness brought this to a stop and for some time she lived at home, taking lessons in painting and music and becoming a member of the Huddersfield Choral Society.

She became interested in adult school work and a girls' club and when her uncle Joshua Rowntree suggested that Yorkshire Adult School members might run a holiday weekend on co-operative lines, she entered enthusiastically into the scheme. On this weekend she met James Herbert Crosland (1874-1949 qv) of Oldfieldnook near Cleckheaton in Yorkshire, who was also interested in adult school work. They were married in 1903, by which time Herbert Crosland had become a steel manufacturer at Sheffield and there was one child, born in 1907(3). They both attended the first Quaker summer school at Scarborough and became interested in extension work, especially after the death of John Wilhelm Rowntree (1868-1903 qv); they felt that the work he had begun should go on.

They were both very hospitable and their home, whether in Sheffield or after 1913 in Manchester, was always open, especially to young and lonely Friends. Constance Crosland had many interests, including the Women's International League. She represented Lancashire & Cheshire Quarterly Meeting on the Meeting for Sufferings from 1921 to 1935 and on various committees(4).

After her husband's retirement from business they were appointed joint secretaries of the Lancashire & Cheshire Quarterly Meeting extension committee. In 1926 they visited European Friends in several countries where Quakerism was taking root. In 1932-3 they went with their daughter to Australia and were deeply impressed by the difficulties experienced by small meetings. So in 1935 they decided to pull up their roots and to settle in Western Australia, where they eventually shared a house at Gosnells with their daughter and son-in-law.

Herbert Crosland proved a tower of strength to the small Australian meetings and Constance joined him in the work, until a slight paralytic attack, combined with rheumatism, made travelling impossible. After this she maintained contact with Australian Friends by letter writing.

Constance Mary Robson Crosland died in Australia on 17 December 1963, at the age of ninety(5).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend vol 122 (1964) p 39

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a dyer
2 Register of Mount Old Scholars 1931, p 32, entry 1108
3 For marriage and issue see CROSLAND, James Herbert (1874-1949)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

4 Typescript Committee Lists, Friends House Library: she served on the following committees:-

Agenda	-	1921-1922, 1931-1935
Australia & New Zealand	-	1933-1936
Council for International Service	-	from 1926
Home Mission & Extension	-	from 1926
Marriage & Parenthood	-	1932-1935
Office Arrangements	-	1927-1930
South African	-	1921-1923

She was second assistant clerk to Yearly Meeting in 1932 and 1933 and first assistant clerk in 1934 and 1935

5 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of J.Herbert

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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replacement

CROSLAND, Dorothy (1890?-1972) after 1913 Darricote, after 1940 Mussell

[Dorothy Crosland, daughter of Leo Crosland (1854-1930 qv) and his wife Annie (born Hall, 1856?-1930 qv) of Bredbury near Stockport in Cheshire, was married firstly in 1913 to Gilbert Hayley Darricote (1888?-1918 qv). She married secondly in 1940 James Francis Henry Sherrell Mussell (1889-1974 qv) of Ackworth and Sidcot in Somerset.

See MUSSELL, Dorothy (1890?-1972) formerly Darricote, born Crosland]

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CROSLAND, Edgar (-1974)

Edgar Crosland, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the son of Frank Crosland (1856-1911 qv) and his wife Mary Hannah (born Crossfield, 1859?-1918 qv)(1). He was educated at Penketh School from 1902 to 1904(2).

He became an engineer at Lancaster(3) and was married in 1919 to Elizabeth Waites (1889?-1968 qv) of Lancaster(4); there were apparently three children(5).

He was not at the time of his marriage a member of the Society of Friends, but was admitted into membership some time between 1934 and 1937(6).

Edgar Crosland of 5 Russell Drive, Morecambe in Lancashire, died at Stonebower on 11 May 1974(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 His birth is not traced in the Digest of Births nor given in Lancashire & Cheshire QM printed lists of members
2 J.Spence Hodgson, History of Penketh School, 1834-1907, p 258
3 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 4
4 The wedding was at Lancaster on 30 August 1919: he is described as not in membership, a bachelor, an engineer of St Paul's Road, Lancaster, the son of Frank Crosland, a chemist; she is described as a spinster, a teacher of 23 St Oswald Street, Lancaster, the daughter of Simeon Waites, a builder (Digest of Marriages)
5 Given in Lancashire & Cheshire QM printed lists of members, Lancaster Meeting, 1941: the births are not traced in the Digest of Births:-
   Frank
   Stanley W.
   Edgar B.
6 Lancashire & Cheshire QM printed lists of members: his name does not appear in the Lancaster list in 1924-1930: he is shown as an attender in 1934 and as a member, with his wife and children, in 1937
7 The Friend vol 132 (1974) p 610: he is described as the husband of the late Elizabeth Crosland and father of Frank, Stanley and Ben; his age at death is not given

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Edward (1822-1911)

Edward Crosland, the son of Robert Crosland (1773-1845 qv) and his second wife Esther (born Wood, 1786-1831 qv) of Great Bolton in the parish of Bolton le Moors in Lancashire, was born there on 3 March 1822(1).

He was educated at Ackworth School from 1834 to 1836(2).

He became a card maker at Oldfieldnook near Cleckheaton in Yorkshire(3) and later was for some time manager of Martindale's Blacking Works(4).

He was married in 1845 to Martha Blakey (1824?-1904 qv) of Thornton Rust in north Yorkshire(5) and there were seven children(6).

Edward Crosland of Egremont in Cheshire died on 29 April 1911, at the age of eighty nine(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest: his father is described as a card maker. *
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 127, entry 5735: from Bolton
3 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 5
4 Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 30 (1911) p 80: brief obituary
5 The wedding was at Aysgarth on 8 May 1845: he is described as a bachelor, a card maker of Oldfield Nook, Cleckheaton, the son of Robert, a card maker; she is described as a spinster of Thornton Rust, the daughter of Joshua Robinson Blakey, a gentleman (Digest of Marriages)
6 Listed in the Digests of Births, Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

*Edward Henry	b 17 July 1846	
Frederick qv	b 24 Nov 1849	m 1875 Mary Jane Ball NM (1853?-1920 qv)
Martha Louisa	b 12 Aug 1851	m 1873 Isaac Cooke
Frank qv	b 12 June 1856	m 1883 Mary Hannah Crossfield NM (1859?1918 qv)
*John Arthur	b 2 Aug 1860	
Joshua Robert qv	b 30 April 1865	m 1919 Sarah Letitia Woods (1868?-1945 qv)
*William	b 23 Feb 1867	

*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1920

7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as the manager of a blacking works, retired

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

* Ackworth old scholars assoc rep 30 (1911) p 80 states in error that he "was born...in 1821"

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CROSLAND, Edward Milner (1890-1969)

Edward Milner Crosland, the son of Milner Crosland (1856-1921 qv) and his wife Annie (born Hudson, 1866?-1941 qv), was born in the year 1890(1).

He was educated at Ackworth School from 1900 to 1904(2).

After leaving school he joined an engineering firm at Bredbury near Stockport in Cheshire and at the time of his death was its chairman. He was also in his later years a very active member of Colwyn Bay Meeting.

He was married to Sidonia and there was one son(3).

Edward Milner Crosland of Colwyn Bay died peacefully at his home on 3 April 1969, at the age of seventy eight(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 88 (1969) pp 72-73

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 His birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1879-1930, p 45, entry 11343: from Romiley
3 The marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1941: AOSA Reports, op cit, p 73, gives her name as Sandie
She does not appear in Lancashire & Cheshire QM printed lists of members to 1928 and no children are shown
4 The Friend vol 127 (1969) p 484: he is described as the husband of Sidonie Crosland

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Eleanor (1884?-1960)

Eleanor Crosland, the eldest daughter of Leo Crosland (1854-1930 qv) and his wife Annie (born Hall, 1856?-1930 qv), was born about the year 1884(1). She was educated at Ackworth School from 1893 to 1898(2). Her parents and two of her grandparents had been scholars at Ackworth and this gave her an hereditary love for the school and all those connected with it, which filled an enormous part of her life.

After leaving Ackworth she went for a few years as secretary to the family engineering business and then trained as a gymnastics and games mistress. Her first teaching post was at the Friends' School, Mountmellick in Ireland, after which she moved to Surrey. There she taught at the Hall School, the Royal Masonic School and the Weybridge High School, in addition to having a considerable private practice in massage and remedial work. She found her vocation among young people and remained in the district, doing part time work, until she was nearly seventy, when she received high praise for her work by the H.M. Inspector of Schools.

It was a great happiness to her when she was asked to serve on the Ackworth School Committee, which she did for nearly eight years; she became president of the Ackworth Old Scholars Association in 1950 to 1951. She never lost the ideal of what Ackworth could and must be and was always confident in its future.

For many years, while living near London, she acted as honorary secretary of the Penn Club and several times her faith as a life-long Friend in the need for the Club's existence saved it from disaster. Many members of the Club, especially the younger ones. enjoyed her parties on the river. When the lease of the original Penn Club in Tavistock Square expired Eleanor Crosland was the leader of the small group who took responsibility for ensuring its continued existence.

She was nursed during her final illness by her two surviving sisters Mary Green and Dorothy Mussell and by her niece Alison Watson. Eleanor Crosland of Kalama, West Byfleet, Surrey, died at Dorothy's house, after a short but severe illness which she bore with great fortitude, on 14 February 1960(3), at the age of seventy six.

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 79 (1960) p 68
The Friend vol 118 (1960) p 370

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 76 at death: her birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1879-1930, p 30, entry 10700: from Newton Heath
3 Digest of Deaths: there is no description of her and her age at death is not given

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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replacement

CROSLAND, Elizabeth (1883?-1960) born Youde

Elizabeth Youde, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of Thomas Youde, a builder of Reddish in Lancashire and was born about the year 1883(1).

She became in 1915 the second wife of Charles Crosland (1862-1929 qv), an engineer of Romiley near Stockport in Chehsire, but the marriage was childless(2).

Elizabeth Crosland of Oldfield Nook, Gregory Avenue, Romiley, died on 28 January 1960, at the age of seventy seven(3), a widow for over thirty years.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 77 at death: her birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
2 For marriage see CROSLAND, Charles (1862-1929)
3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Charles; her name is given as Elizabeth Ford
(Her sister is given as Mary Ford in her birth entry, 8 Nov 1891)

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

MEG Jan 1985

CROSLAND, Elizabeth (1889?-1968) born Waites

Elizabeth Waites, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of Simeon Waites of Lancaster and was born about the year 1889(1).

She was married in 1919 to Edgar Crosland (-1974 qv), an engineer of Lancaster and there were apparently three children(2).

Elizabeth Crosland of 5 Russell Drive, Torrisholme, Morecambe in Lancashire, died in Lancaster Moor Hospital, after a long illness, on 25 February 1968, at the age of seventy nine(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 79 at death: her birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Edgar (-1974)
3 The Friend vol 126 (1968) p 292: she is described as the wife of Edgar Crosland

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

MEG Feb 1985

CROSLAND, Esther (1786-1831) born Wood

Esther Wood, the daughter of John Wood (1747-1804 qv) and his second wife Margaret (born King, 1751?-1828 qv) of Bolton in Lancashire, was born there on 13 October 1786(1).

She became in 1817 the second wife of Robert Crosland (1773-1845 qv), a card maker of Bolton le Moors and there were six children, born between the years 1818 and 1830(2).

Esther Crosland of Great Bolton in the parish of Bolton le Moors died on 9 June 1831, at the age of forty five(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a clogger
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Robert (1773-1845)
3 Lancashire QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of Robert, a card maker

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1832, p 10: 2 line entry for death, the wife of Robert Crosland

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

MEG Jan 1985

CROSLAND, Esther (1818-1905) after 1845 Blakey

[Esther Crosland, daughter of Robert Crosland (1773-1845 qv) and his second wife Esther (born Wood, 1786-1831 qv) of Bolton in Lancashire and Oldfieldnook in Yorkshire, was married in 1845 to Joshua Blakey (1806-1871 qv) of Halifax in Yorkshire.

See BLAKEY, Esther (1818-1905) born Crosland]

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CROSLAND, Esther (1884-1958) after 1914 Watson

[Esther Crosland, daughter of Leo Crosland (1854-1930 qv) and his wife Annie (born Hall, 1856?-1930 qv), was married in 1914 to George Alston Watson (1879?-1955 qv) of Wigton in Cumberland, Lancaster and Wherwell in Hampshire.

See WATSON, Esther (1884-1958) born Crosland]

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CROSLAND, Frank (1856-1911)

Frank Crosland, the son of Edward Crosland (1821-1911 qv) and his wife Martha (born Blakey, 1824?-1904 qv) of London, was born there on 12 June 1856(1).

He became a chemist's assistant at Liverpool(2) and was married in 1883 to Mary Hannah Crossfield (1859?-1918 qv) of Arnside in Westmorland, who was not a member of the Society of Friends(3); there was apparently one child(4).

Frank Crosland of 1 Hanover Place, Bowerham, Lancaster, died on 22 January 1911, at the ageof fifty four(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father's occupation is not given
2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
3 The wedding was at Yealand Conyers on 11 December 1883: he is described as a bachelor, a chemist's assistant of Toxteth Place, Liverpool, the son of Edward Crosland. a manager; she is described as not in membership, a spinster of Arnside, the daughter of Francis John Crossfield, a joiner (Digest of Marriages)
4 Lancashire & Cheshire QM Printed lists of members, Lancaster Meeting, 1910: the birth is not traced in the Digest of Births:-
Gertrude
5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a photographer

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

MEG Jan 1985

CROSLAND, Frederick (1849-1939)

Frederick Crosland, the son of Edward Crosland (1821-1911 qv) and his wife Martha (born Blakey, 1824?-1904 qv) of Cleckheaton in Yorkshire, was born there on 24 November 1849(1).

He became a lime merchant at Silverdale in Lancashire(2) and was married in 1875 to Mary Jane Ball (1853?-1920 qv) of Warton in Lancashire, who was not a member of the Society of Friends(3); there were apparently two children(4).

Frederick Crosland of 3 Somerville Grove, Leasowe in Lancashire, died on 9 November 1939, at the ageof ninety(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a land surveyor
2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
3 The wedding was at Yealand Conyers on 22 April 1875: he is described as a bachelor, a lime merchant of Silverdale, the son of Edward Crosland, a public accountant; she is described as not in membership, a spinster of Warton, the daughter of John Ball, a yeoman (Digest of Marriages)
4 Lancashire & Cheshire QM printed lists of members, Liscard Meeting, 1912: the births are not traced in the Digest of Births:-
   Mary Elizabeth
   Walter
5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a lime merchant, retired

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

Silverdale is 3½ miles NW of Carnforth: Leasowe is in the district of Wallasey

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CROSLAND, George (1860-1932)

George Crosland, the son of William Crosland (1825-1912 qv) and his wife Ann (born Milner, 1827?-1916 qv) of Cheetham, Manchester, was born there on 21 August 1860(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1870 to 1874(2).

At the age of fourteen he was apprenticed to his father's engineering firm in Manchester and during the ensuing years he studied every branch of the business.

He was married in 1884 to Margaret Williams (1863?-1918 qv) of Higher Ardwick near Manchester(3) and there was one child(4).

By 1894 the business had grown so much that new premises had to be found and the firm moved out to Bredbury, near Stockport in Cheshire.

After the death of his wife his health began to fail, so he gave up taking an active part in the business and moved to Bispham near Blackpool in Lancashire, remaining, however, on the board of directors. He was very fond of travel and with his daughter he visited eighteen countries. During his last few years he made hundreds of trips between Fleetwood and the Isle of Man, his cheerful personality making him oneof the best known among the contract holders.

George Crosland of Bispham died on 25 June 1932, at the age of seventy two(5).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 52 (1953) p 84

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a machine maker
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 194, entry 8723: from Manchester
3 The wedding was at Manchester on 4 September 1884: he is described as a bachelor, an engineer of Newton Heath, the son of William Crosland, an engineer; she is described as a spinster of Higher Ardwick, the daughter of Robert Williams, a dyer (Digest of Marriages)
4 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages as follows:-
Dora b 13 Feb 1889 m 1915 Harry Sheldon NM
5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a company director

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Grace (1696?-1764) born Pollard

Grace Pollard, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of John Pollard of Lower park house in the parish of Bradford and was born about the year 1696(1).

She was married in 1726 to Robert Crosland (1696?-1784 qv), a card maker of Oldfieldnook in the parish of Birstal in Yorkshire and there were two children(2).

She was the first member of the family to have her spiritual gifts recognised by being recorded a minister of the Society(3).

Grace Crosland of Oldfieldnook near Scholes in Yorkshire died on 6 March 1764(4) and was buried in the Friends' burial ground at Highton meeting house(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 David Blamires, A History of Quakerism in Liversedge and Scholes, p 20, gives her age at death as 68
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Robert (1696?-1784)
3 Balmires, loc cit
4 Yorkshire QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of Robert; her age at death is not given
5 Blamires, loc cit

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Hannah Maria (1821-1893) born Woodhead 2+

Hannah Maria Woodhead, the daughter of Samuel Woodhead (1777-1829 qv) and his wife Jane (born Firth, 1783-1831 qv) of Foulstone in the parish of Kirkburton in Yorkshire, was born there on 13 June 1821(1). In 1825 the family moved to Brighouse, but in 1829 Samuel Woodhead died and his widow took the family to Bradford. Hannah Maria was educated at Ackworth School from 1831 to 1836(2), but in 1833 she had to return home owing to an outbreak of typhus. She fell ill, but recovered, although her mother and the doctor both caught the fever from her and died(3). She returned to Ackworth, of which all her life she cherished happy memories. She took a deep interest in the school and often served on its committee.

She was married in 1846 to James Crosland (1806-1882 qv), a card maker of Oldfieldnook near Cleckheaton in Yorkshire and there was one child(4). At Cleckheaton she became the centre and inspiration of much useful social and religious work in the village. In 1854 she opened a sewing school for girls in the cottages belonging to Oldfieldnook and this was followed by a Sunday School in 1859 and a boys' class on a week night; these were later transferred to the Victoria Hall, which served as a kind of village hall and place of worship for about fifty years(5).

Hannah Maria Crosland first spoke in a meeting for worship in 1867 and was recorded a minister by Brighouse Monthly Meeting in 1871, her visits to some of the small meetings in the quarterly meeting being much appreciated.

In 1873, when their son was married, the Croslands moved to Harrogate, where fresh fields of work opened out. Hannah Maria joined with others in work on behalf of young women and in gospel, temperance and other kindred subjects. "Our dear friend was naturally of a bright, hopeful spirit, and, when God touched her heart, and she felt that her life must be devoted to Him, she seemed more fully than many to enter into the Joy of service."(Testimony)

About the time of her removal to Harrogate she began to suffer from an eye affection which nearly blinded her. It was a great trial to her active and independent spirit, but she bore it with cheerfulness and courage. Before long the house at Harrogate became, like that at Oldfieldnook, the centre of many interests. But on her husband's death in 1882 she returned to Oldfieldnook.

After eighteen months of happy work and vivid life Hannah Maria Crosland of Scholes near Cleckheaton died on 3 March 1893(6).

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 13 (1894) pp 54-55

4/ Annual Monitor 1893, pp 49-57

Testimony of Yorkshire QM in Yearly Meeting Proceedings 1894, p 145

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a clothier
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 121, entry 5464: from Bradford
3 There appears to be some error in this date, as her mother is clearly stated to have died in 1831
4 For marriage and issue see CROSLAND, James (1806-1882)
5 David Blamires, A History of Quakerism in Liversedge and Scholes, p 31
6 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of James; her age at death is not given

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Hannah Maria (1821-1893) born Woodhead

Hannah Maria Woodhead was born in 1821, the daughter of Samuel and Jane Woodhead. In 1846 she married James Crosland, of Oldfieldnook. She took a lively interest in the villagers, holding Firstday evening classes, mothers' meetings, sewing school etc. and from these and other efforts the Friends' meeting at Scholes was principally raised up.

She was recorded a Minister by Brighouse Monthly Meeting in 1871, her visits to some of the small meetings in the Quarterly Meeting being much appreciated. In 1873 she removed with her husband to Harrogate, where fresh fields of work opened out. She joined with others in work on behalf of young women and in Gospel, Temperance and other kindred subjects.

'Our dear friend was naturally of a bright, hopeful spirit, and, when God touched her heart, and she felt that her life must be devoted to Him, she seemed more fully than many to enter into the Joy of service.'

Hannah Maria Crosland died in 1893.

Testimony of Yorkshire QM in YM Proc. 1894, p.145

CROSLAND, Hannah Maria (1880-1963)

Hannah Maria (Minnie) Crosland, the younger daughter of Robert Firth Crosland (1847-1921 qv) and his wife Lucy Maria (born Doncaster, 1843-1934 qv) of Oldfieldnook near Cleckheaton in Yorkshire, was born there on 1 December 1880(1).

She was educated at The Mount, York, from 1896 to 1898 and on leaving school went at first to the training college at Hereford, going on to Westfield College, London. She became science mistress at Barnsley and King Edward Grammar School and at Camp Hill, Birmingham. She went on to become a lecturer in biology at Manchester and City Training College and at the training college at Hereford.

Hannah Maria Crosland died at her home, Elphield, Hutton le Hole in Yorkshire on 14 October 1963, at the age of eighty two(2).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Register of Mount Old Scholars 1931, p 54, entry 1387

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a card manufacturer
2 The Friend vol 121 (1963) p 1252: no description of her is given

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Helen Grace (1878-1964)

Helen Grace Crosland, the daughter of Robert Firth Crosland (1847-1921 qv) and his wife Lucy Maria (born Doncaster, 1843-1934 qv) of Oldfieldnook, Cleckheaton in Yorkshire, was born there on 15 March 1878(1). She was educated at The Mount, York, from 1893 to 1895(2).

After leaving The Mount she went to Nimes to study French and took the Diploma d'Etudes Francaises (Franco-English Guild, Paris) of the Ecole Normale. In 1902 she returned to The Mount to teach French and German. In 1907 she was allowed a sabbatical term to go to Woodbrooke. In 1910 she left The Mount to take up a post as senior mistress in a day school near her home. Some years later she moved to Manchester, where she made fresh contacts with the larger Friends' meetings.

After her mother's death in 1934 she went to Scarborough to be a companion to an aged aunt and uncle with whom she had lived as a girl. While at Scarborough she played a notable part in meetings for worship and business.

In 1940 she made a final move to Elphield, Hutton-le-Hole in Yorkshire, where, growing and drying herbs to help the funds of the Friends Service Council, she shared with her sister the work of a garden that was one of the gayest in a village noted for its gardens.

Helen Grace Crosland died in hospital, after a fall in the village, on 22 February 1964, at the age of eighty three(3).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend vol 122 (1964) p 662

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a card manufacturer
2 Register of Mount Old Scholars 1931, p 47, entry 1295
3 The Friend vol 122 (1964) p 260: no description of her is given

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Herbert (1874-1949)

See CROSLAND, James Herbert (1874-1949)

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CROSLAND, James Herbert (1874-1949)

J.Herbert Crosland, the eldest of the four children of Robert Firth Crosland (1847-1921 qv) and his wife Lucy Maria (born Doncaster, 1843-1934 qv) of Oldfieldnook near Cleckheaton in Yorkshire, was born there on 17 February 1874(1). He was educated at Bootham School, York, from 1886 to 1891.

On leaving school he entered the family card manufacturing business, but in 1898 he went into the steel trade in Sheffield. He was married in 1903 to Constance Mary Robson (1873-1963 qv) of Huddersfield(2) and there was one child, born in 1907(3).

He became interested in the adult school movement and while at Oldfieldnook he was an enthusiastic supporter of the Yorkshire Adult School Guest House. In 1913 the family moved to Manchester, but wherever they went their home was a centre of hospitality. Shortly after the move to Manchester Herbert Crosland gave up his business in order to devote his time to the work of the Society of Friends, as quarterly meeting extension secretary and in other ways. He did much work for peace and for conscientious objectors during the first world war, being Quaker chaplain to the many conscientious objectors in Liverpool prison. After the war he and his wife were responsible for raising large sums for relief work and took part in the packing of hundreds of bales of clothing for Europe.

He became a member of the Manchester Corporation Agricultural Committee in 1931.

From 1915 until they left for Australia in 1935 Herbert Crosland was an elder of Hardshaw East Monthly Meeting and from 1924 onwards was clerk to the quarterly meeting elders. He was also for eighteen years a member of the Dalton Hall Committee, treasurer of the Manchester Friends Institute from 1920 to 1928, toured Quaker centres in Europe in 1925 and was a member of the Yearly Meeting deputation to the centenary of Australian Quakerism at Hobart in 1932-1933. In 1931 he helped to make arrangements for Gandhi's visit to the cotton mill at Darwen.

In 1935 the Croslands decided to make their home in Australia, at Gosnells, near Perth, where the weekly meeting for worship was Herbert Crosland's especial care. To the small, inexperienced meetings to which he came, often consisting almost entirely of convinced Friends with no Quaker background, he was a tower of strength. He interpreted the organisation of the Society, showing the ways in which desired ends could be reached without friction, but not avoiding straight speech when it was necessary. His patience and loving kindness, seasoned with humour, achieved much, for he knew how to wait for the right moment.

He made it his business to meet as many members in all districts as he possibly could, wherever he happened to be. This often meant long and tiring journeys, but such 'shepherding' was his pleasure and it meant much to Friends in isolated territories. He had more knowledge of Friends in their homes than any other member and this added weight to his advice on oversight and eldership.

"He loved the Society of Friends and all it stood for and was well content to be spent in its service. But his devotion was not that of a mere zealot for a cause. He loved the men and women and children around him with a warm humanity and his service was at once an expression of his love for the

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brother he had seen and the God he had not seen." (Testimony)

J.Herbert Crosland died in Australia on 28 February 1949.

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Testimony of Hardshaw East MM: Perth MM in Yearly Meeting Proceedings 1949, p 257

Bootham School Register 1935, p 126

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a card manufacturer

2 The wedding was at Huddersfield on 7 July 1903: he is described as a bachelor, a steel manufacturer of Abbeyfeild Road, Sheffield, the son of Robert Firth Crosland, secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society; she is described as a spinster of Dalton, Huddersfield, the daughter of Joshua Wheeler Robson, a dyer (Digest of Marriages)

3 Listed in the Digest of Births as follows:-

Jean Elizabeth b 17 Aug 1907 m 1936 John Robinson (Rowntrees of Riseborough, p A 9) married in Australia

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

SEE ALSO

The Friend vol 107 (1949) pp 193-4

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CROSLAND, James Herbert (1874-1949)

J. Herbert Crosland was born in 1874, the eldest of the four children of Robert Firth and Lucy Maria Crosland of Cleckheaton. He was educated at Bootham and entered the family business of card clothing manufacturers. He became interested in the Adult School Movement and enthusiastically supported the development of the Yorkshire Adult School Guest House. In 1898 he entered the steel trade in Sheffield. In 1903 he married Constance Mary Robson, of Huddersfield and for the rest of their lives their home, wherever it was, was always a noteable centre of hospitality. In 1913 they moved to Manchester, and shortly afterwards Herbert Crosland withdrew from business to give his whole time to Friends work, as QM Extension Secretary and in other ways. He did much work for Peace and for Conscientious Objectors during the war, being Quaker Chaplain to the many C.O.s in Liverpool prison. After the war he and his wife were responsible for raising large sums for relief work and took part in the packing of hundreds of bales of clothing for Europe.

From 1915 until they left for Australia in 1935 Herbert Crosland was an Elder of Hardshaw East Monthly Meeting and from 1924 onwards was Clerk to the QM Elders. He was also for 18 years a member of the Dalton Hall Committee. In 1931 he, with C.F. Andrews, made the arrangements for Gandhi's visit to the cotton mill at Darwen.

In 1935 the Croslands made their home in Australia, at Gosnells, near Perth, where the weekly meeting for Worship was his especial care.

'He loved the Society of Friends and all it stood for and was well content to be spent in its service. But his devotion was not that of a mere zealot for a cause. He loved the men and women and children round him with a warm humanity and his service was at once an expression of his love for the brother whom he had seen and the God whom he had not seen'.

He died 28 February 1949

Testimony of Hardshaw East MM; Perth MM in YM Proc. 1949, p.257

CROSLAND, Jane (1867?-1913) born Hudson

Jane Hudson of Leicester, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of Samuel Hudson and was born about the year 1867(1).

She was married in 1889 to Charles Crosland (1862-1929 qv), an engineer of Manchester, but the marriage was childless(2). After some years the engineering business was moved to Bredbury, near Stockport in Cheshire(3).

She was not at the time of her marriage a member of the Society of Friends, but was received into membership some time before 1900(4).

Jane Crosland of Lonedale, Romiley in Cheshire, died on 28 December 1913, at the age of forty six(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 46 at death
2 For marriage see CROSLAND, Charles (1862-1929)
3 See entry for CROSLAND, Charles (1862-1929)
4 Lancashire & Cheshire QM printed lists of members: she is shown as a member of Stockport Meeting in 1900, but not in 1892: no children are shown
5 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Charles
Romiley is about 3 miles E of Stockport

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Joseph (1842-)

Joseph Crosland, the son of Robert Crosland (1812-1855 qv) and his wife Tabitha (born Parkinson, 1804?-1849 qv) of Horton, Bradford in Yorkshire, was born there on 19 March 1842(1).

He was educated at Bootham School, York, from 1851 to 1857 and became a commercial traveller(2).

He was married in 1884 to Mary Elizabeth Miller(3) and there were four children(4).

The daughter [illegible] Maria died in 1856(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of B[illegible]
2 Bootham [illegible]
3 Tabitha [illegible]
4 Ulverston [illegible] Digest of Marriages
5 His daughter [illegible]

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-33

CROSLAND, Joseph (1810-1871)

Joseph Crosland, the son of Robert and Mary Crosland of Bolton in Lancashire, was born there on 30 June 1810(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1821 to 1823(2) and on leaving school he became a currier and leather dealer at Sharples near Bolton(3). He was married in 1853 to Martha Shipley of Headingley near Leeds(4) and there were two children(5).

He was a faithful Friend, remarkable for his integrity and some years before his death he retired from business, mainly on account of his health but also to give himself more time to devote to the affairs of the Society. He was always ready to help the poor and to assist in philanthropic work of any kind; he was particularly careful to give kindly care and attention to any he thought in danger of being overlooked. For some years he served as an overseer in Worcester Meeting, fulfilling his duties with humility and love. He was also deeply interested in those who were not members of the Society, but who were drawn to attend meetings for worship and often called upon them in their own homes for a friendly chat.

Joseph Crosland of Worcester died after a short illness on 20 May 1871 at the age of sixty(6).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1872, pp 55-56

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest: his father is described as a card maker
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 100, no.4481
3 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 4
4 The wedding was at Leeds on 14 December 1853: he is described as a bachelor, a currier and leather dealer of Sharples near Bolton, the son of Robert Crosland, out of business; she is described as a spinster of Headingley near Leeds, the daughter of Thomas Shipley, a tanner (Digest of Marriages)
5 Listed in the Digests of Births and Deaths as follows:-
*Mary b 17 Oct 1854
Maria b 8 April 1856 who d 10 April 1856
*No marriage traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1903
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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CROSLAND, Joshua Robert (1865-1943)

Joshua Robert Crosland, the son of Edward Crosland (1821-1911 qv) and his wife Martha (born Blakey, 1824?-1904 qv) of Toxteth Place, Liverpool, was born there on 30 April 1865(1).

He was a pupil at Ackworth School in 1878(2).

He became a handicrafts teacher in London(3) and was twice married, but his first marriage is not at present (1985) traced(4). He married secondly in 1919 Sarah Letitia Woods (1868?-1945 qv) of Liverpool(5), but the marriage was childless(6).

Joshua Robert Crosland of Melbourne House, Grange over Sands in Lancashire, died on 15 January 1943, at the age of seventy seven(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a public accountant
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 209, entry 9384: from Arnside, Milnthorpe
3 He is so described in the entry for his second marriage, note 5
4 The marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages
5 The wedding was at Liverpool on 20 December 1919: he is described as a widower, a handicraft teacher of 91 Beauvoir Road, East Dulwich, London, the son of Edward Crosland (deceased), an accountant; she is described as a spinster of Briarwood, Carnation Road, Mossley Hill, Liverpool, the daughter of William Woods (deceased), a tea merchant (Digest of Marriages)
6 Wife over 50 on marriage
7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a retired teacher

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Leo (1854-1930)

Leo Crosland, the eldest son of William Cros~~dale~~land (1825-1912 qv) and his wife Ann (born Milner, 1827?-1916 qv) of Holme in Lancashire, was born there on 20 December 1854(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1864 to 1869(2).

On leaving school he was apprenticed to his father's engineering firm in Manchester, where work started at 6.00 a.m., and at the same time he attended evening classes at Owen's College. At the end of his apprenticeship he went to America, to his cousin William Bancroft in Philadelphia, but conditions in the States were so bad, as a result of the civil war, that he returned to Manchester.

He was married in 1882 to Annie Hall (1856?-1930 qv) of Sheffield(3) and there were four children, born approximately between the years 1884 and 1890(4).

In 1894 the family engineering business had expanded so much that a move to larger premises was necessary and the firm moved out to Bredbury, near Stockport in Cheshire. The goods sharing and bonus schemes which were introduced were much appreciated by the employees.

Towards the end of the first world war Leo Crosland was invited to serve with Lloyd George on a Committee for the Reconstruction of Commerce. He was a staunch free trader, as was natural since his father and John Bright (1811-1889 qv) were first cousins.

He became a keen golfer and was also an enthusiatic motorist, especially in the early days, when every drive was an adventure. He was a very familiar figure to many old scholars of Ackworth at Easter gatherings and General Meeting and young and old appreciated his rare sense of humour and the quiet twinkle in his eye as he told stories of his school days and later life.

Leo Crosland of The Hawthorns, Bredbury, died on 28 May 1930, at the age of seventy five(5).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 49 (1930) p 77

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a tram engine maker

2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 184, entry 8264: from Manchester

3 The wedding was at Sheffield on 24 August 1882: he is described as a bachelor, an engineer of 2 Monsal Road, Newton Heath, Manchester, the son of William Crosland, an engineer; she is described as not in membership, a spinster of 267 Fulwood Road, Sheffield, the daughter of John Turner Hall, a tailor (Digest of Marriages)

4 The births of the children are not traced in the Digest of Births: their year of birth is calculated approximately from the dates of death; the marriages and deaths are listed in the Digests of Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

Eleanor qv	b	1884?	d unmarried 14 Feb 1960, aged 76
Esther qv	b 23 July 1884		m 1914 George Alston Watson (1879?-1955 qv)
Mary	b		m 1914 William Green
Dorothy	b	1890	m (1)1913 Gilbert Henry Darricote (1888?-1914 qv) (2)1940 James Francis Henry Sherrell Mussell (1889-1974 qv) d 7 Dec 1872, aged 82

(The Friend vol 130 (1972) p 1556)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a director of an engineering company

N.B. Mary Green appears in the List of Ackworth Old Scholars in 1979, but not in 1982, living in 1979 at Parkgate, Wirral: she does not appear in the Lancashire & Cheshire QM printed lists of members for 1979
The date of Esther's birth is given in her Testimony: see WATSON, Esther (1884-1953)

There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Lucy Maria (1843-1934) born Doncaster 2T

Lucy Maria Doncaster, the fifth child of the ten children of Daniel Doncaster (1807-1886 qv) and his wife Maria (born Mallinson, 1811-1880 qv) of Sheffield, was born there on 12 April 1843(1). She was educated at The Mount, York, from 1858 to 1860(2).

When she left school she returned home to take charge of the education of the younger members of the family, until her marriage in 1873 to Robert Firth Crosland (1847-1921 qv), a card maker of Oldfieldnook near Cleckheaton in Yorkshire; there were four children, born between 1874 and 1880(3). At Cleckheaton she found herself one af a very small group of Friends and it was largely due to her enthusiasm and that of her husband that Scholes Meeting grew in numbers until in 1893 it was third in size in Brighouse Monthly Meeting.

As in Sheffield, Lucy Maria's work lay mainly among women. She carried on afternoon meetings for the older ones and evening classes for the younger and gained their enduring affection. Until the end of her life she maintained a regular correspondence with some who lived far afield. She was a regular attender at London Yearly Meeting and greatly valued the opportunities it gave her for renewing friendships and making fresh acquaintances.

She and her husband were closely connected with a variety of movements. Mission work at home and abroad was warmly supported and her contact with mission workers in Madagascar led to an annual sale of work in the Oldfieldnook gardens for mission funds. Adult schools, the Bible Society, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Young Women's Christian Association and the temperance movement claimed her support for many years. As a member of the committee of a little sanatorium for inebriate women near Huddersfield, she paid monthly visits to the institition.

She served several times on the Ackworth School Committee and her interest in education led her to suggest medical inspection for children and nursery schools long before such ideas became general. She was able by her own enthusiasm to inspire others to carry on her work.

Her busy life never prevented her from giving her best to her family and home. She loved gardening, especially when she could share it with others and superintended both the flower and kitchen gardens.

Her husband's failing health made a move imperative and in 1916 they went to live in Manchester. Robert Firth Crosland died in 1921, but her Manchester home became more and more a centre of friendliness, greatly enriched by the visits of students and other young people. When her elder son and his family went to Australia she did all she could to encourage and help them, sending for maps and books so that she could follow their journeys. This was typical of the way she entered into the interests of all her family and her unselfish care of them.

She motheredher meeting even when she became too frail to attend in person. Her gift in the ministry was greatly missed, but she employed her leisure in knitting garments and making toys for the children of Manchester.

Lucy Maria Crosland of 147 Withington Road, Whalley Range, Manchester, died on 23 August 1934, at the age of ninety one(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend vol 92 (1934) p 817

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a steel converter
2 Register of Mount Old Scholars 1931, p 2, entry 403
3 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Robert Firth (1847-1921)
4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Robert Firth

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Margaret (1863?-1918) born Williams

Margaret Williams, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of Robert Williams of Manchester and was born about the year 1863(1).

She was married in 1884 to George Crosland (1860-1932 qv), an engineer of Newton Heath near Manchester and there was one child, born in 1889(2).

Her husband's family business expanded and the firm was moved to Bredbury, near Stockport in Cheshire(3).

Margaret Crosland of Bredbury died on 18 February 1918, at the age of fifty five(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 55 at death: her birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
2 For marriage and issue see CROSLAND, George (1860-1932)
3 See entry for CROSLAND, George (1860-1932)
4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of George

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Martha (1821-1870) born Shipley 3+

Martha Shipley, the elder daughter of Thomas Shipley (1783- qv) and his wife Hannah (born Walker, 1789-1879 qv) of Headingley, Leeds, was born there on 3 October 1821(1).

She was married in 1853 to Joseph Crosland (1810-1871 qv), a currier and leather dealer of Sharples near Bolton in Lancashire and there were two children, born between 1854 and 1856(2).

She was a recorded minister of the Society(3).

Martha Crosland of Brittania Square, Worcester, died on 18 January 1870, at the age of forty eight(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a tanner
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Joseph (1810-1871)
3 Annual Monitor 1871, p 23: 3 line entry for death
4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Joseph

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Martha (1824?-1904) born Blakey

Martha Blakey, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of Joshua Robinson Blakey of Thornton Rust in north Yorkshire and was born about the year 1824(1).

She was married in 1845 to Edward Crosland (1821-1911 qv), a card maker of Oldfieldnook near Cleckheaton in Yorkshire and there were seven children(2). Her husband later became the manager of a blacking works(3).

Martha Crosland of Egremont in Cheshire died on 25 April 1904, at the age of eighty(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 80 at death: her birth is not traced in Yorkshire QM, Durham QM nor Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births Digests
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Edward (1821-1911)
3 See entry for CROSLAND, Edward (1821-1911)
4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Edward

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

MEG Jan 1985

CROSLAND, Mary (1727-1797) after 1754 Firth

[Mary Crosland, daughter of Robert Crosland (1697?-1784 qv) and his wife Grace (born Pollard, 1696?-1764 qv) of Oldfieldnook in the parish of Birstall in Yorkshire, was married in 1754 to Thomas Firth (1722-1782 qv) of Huddersfield in Yorkshire.

See FIRTH, Mary (1727-1797) born Crosland]

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CROSLAND, Mary (1740-1821) born Marsden

Mary Marsden, the daughter of Caleb Marsden (-) and his wife Sarah (born) of Birdsedge in Yorkshire, was born there on 3.vii.[September] 1740(1).

She was married in 1765 to Robert Crosland (1733-1819 qv) of Oldfieldnook in the parish of Birstall in Yorkshire and there were two children, the elder of whom died in infancy(2).

Mary Crosland of Oldfieldnook died on 7 August 1821, at the age of eighty one(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Robert (1733-1819)
3 Yorkshire QM Burials Digest: she is described as the widow of Robert

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Mary (1778-1815) born Hall

Mary Hall, the daughter of James Hall ( ) and his wife Elizabeth (born) of Manchester, was born there on 28 January 1778(1).

She was married in 1799 to Robert Crosland (1773-1845 qv) and there were seven children(2). Her husband became a card maker at Bolton le Moors in Lancashire (3).

Mary Crosland of Bolton le Moors died on 3 December 1815, at the age of thirty eight(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Robert (1773-1845)
3 See entry for CROSLAND, Robert (1773-1845)
4 Lancashire QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of Robert, a card maker

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Mary Hannah (1859?-1918) born Crossfield

Mary Hannah Crossfield of Arnside in Westmorland, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of Francis John Crossfield and was born about the year 1859(1).

She was married in 1883 to Frank Crosland (1856-1911 qv), a chemist's assistant of Liverpool and there was apparently one child(2).

She was not at the time of her marriage a member of the Society of Friends, but was received into membership about the year 1917(3).

Mary Hannah Crosland of 1 Victoria Avenue, Scotforth, died on 4 September 1918, at the age of fifty nine(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 59 at death
2 For marriage and issue see CROSLAND, Frank (1856-1911)
3 Lancashire & Cheshire QM printed lists of members: she is shown as a member in 1917, but not in 1916
4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Frank

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

Scotforth is a district of Lancaster

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CROSLAND, Mary Jane (1836-1911) after 1859 Ellis, after 1870 Glaisyer

(Mary Jane Crosland, daughter of Robert and Tabitha Crosland of Bradford, was married in 1859 to James Austen Ellis (1827-1860 qv) and in 1870 to John Glaisyer (1836-1897 qv).

see GLAISYER, Mary Jane (1836-1911) formerly Ellis, born Crosland)

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CROSLAND, Mary Jane (1853?-1920) born Ball

Mary Jane Ball, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of John Ball of Warton in Lancashire and was born about the year 1853(1).

She was married in 1875 to Frederick Crosland (1849-1939 qv), a lime merchant of Silverdale in Lancashire and there were apparently two children(2).

She was not at the time of her marriage a member of the Society of Friends, but was received into membership sometime before the year 1900(3).

Mary Jane Crosland of 7 Chepstow Avenue, Liscard in Lancashire, died on 30 July 1920, at the age of sixty seven(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 67 at death
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Frederick (1849-1939)
3 Lancashire & Cheshire QM printed lists of members: she is shown as a member of Liscard Meeting in 1900
4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Frederick

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

Warton is 2 km N of Carnforth: Liscard is in the district of Wallasey

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CROSLAND, Milner (1856-1921)

Milner Crosland, the son of William Crosland (1825-1912 qv) and his wife Ann (born Milner, 1827?-1916 qv) of Hulme in Lancashire, was born there on 8 December 1856(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1867 to 1871(2).

After leaving school he worked for a few years with the firm of Duncan and King, warehousemen of Manchester. He then went to help his father, who had started a small engineering business in Manchester. His three brothers joined him and by hard work the firm expanded so greatly that a move had to be made to larger permises at Bredbury, near Stockport in Cheshire.

Milner Crosland was married in 1886 to Annie Hudson (1866?-1947 qv) of Leicester, who was not a member of the Society of Friends(3) and there were two children(4).

Failing health in his latter years caused him to retire from active involvement with the business, although he retained his directorship. Moderate in all things, he lived an even, quiet life and was brave and cheerful to the last.

Milner Crosland of Newlyn, Cadogan Road, Old Colwyn, died on 9 October 1921, at the ageof sixty four(5).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 41 (1922) p 86

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a machinist
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 188, entry 8459: from Manchester
3 The wedding was at Manchester on 29 April 1886: he is described as a bachelor, an engineer's clerk of Manchester, the son of William Crosland, a machinist; she is described as not in membership, a spinster of Leicester, the daughter of Samuel Hudson, a boot and shoe manufacturer (Digest of Marriages)
4 Given in Hardshaw East printed list of members 1897, p 40 and in the Digest of Marriages: the births are not traced in the Digest of Births:-
   Laura m 1914 George Arthur Youde
   Edward Milner
5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as an engineer

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Minnie (1880-1963)

See CROSLAND, Hannah Maria (1880-1963)

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CROSLAND, Robert (1697?-1784)

Robert Crosland, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the son of Robert Crosland and his wife Martha (born Scott) and was born about the year 1697(1). In that year his father had moved from Higher Blacup in Hightown to Oldfieldnook at Scholes in Yorkshire(2).

In 1717 Robert Crosland began business at Oldfieldnook as a card maker and in 1739 he built the oldest part of the present house(3).

He was married in 1726 to Grace Pollard (1696?-1764 qv) of Bradford in Yorkshire(4) and there were two children(5).

The Croslands took a full part in the activities of Friends in their area and Robert's name frequently occurs as a representative appointed to attend monthly and quarterly meetings; from 1740 he was overseer of the poor of Cleckheaton(6).

Robert Crosland of Oldfieldnook died on 6 June 1784, at the age of eighty seven(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 David Blamires, A History of Quakerism in Liversedge and Scholes, p 20
2 Ibid
3 Ibid
4 The wedding was at Brigghouse in Yorkshire on 16.ix.[November] 1726: he is described as a card maker of Skoles in the parish of Birstal, Yorkshire, the son of Robert Crosland of Skoles; she is described as a single woman, the daughter of John Pollord of Lower park house, parish of Bradford in Yorkshire (Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest)
5 Listed in Yorkshire QM Births and Marriages Digests as follows:-

Mary qv	b 15 vi [Aug] 1727	m 1754 Thomas Firth (1722-1782 qv)
Robert qv	b 13 x [Dec] 1733	m 1765 Mary Marsden (1740-1821 qv)

6 Blamires, loc cit
7 Yorkshire QM Burials Digest: he is described as a card maker
Blamires, loc it, gives his age at death as 88

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Robert (1733-1819)

Robert Crosland, the son of Robert Crosland (1696?-1784 qv) and his wife Grace (born Pollard, 1696?-1764 qv) of Scholes in the parish of Birstall in Yorkshire, was born there on 13.x.[December] 1733(1).

He was married in 1765 to Mary Marsden (1740-1821 qv) of Birdsedge in Yorkshire(2) and there were two children, the elder of whom died in infancy(3).

In 1796 he was appointed a member of a committee to deal with the problem of monthly meeting boundaries, but so many objections were raised to the new proposals that the committee, in its own quaint words, was 'induc'd to recommend to the Monthly Meeting to suspend its acceding to the new Arrangements for the present' and nothing further seems to have been done about it.(4)

Robert Crosland of Oldfieldnook in the parish of Birstall died on 4 October 1819, at the age of eighty five(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
2 The wedding was at High Flats on 23 October 1765: he is described as of Oldfield Nook, the son of Robert Crosland of Oldfield Nook within Brighouse monthly meeting; sheis described as the daughter of Caleb and Sarah Marsden of Birdsedge (Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest)
3 Listed in Yorkshire QM Births, Marriages and Burials Digests as follows:-

Robert	b 9 July 1768	d 2 Dec 1768
Robert qv	b 1 March 1773	m (1)1799 Mary Hall (1778-1815 qv) (2)1817 Esther Wood (1786?-1831 qv)

4 David Blamires, A History of Quakerism in Liversedge and Scholes, pp 23-24
5 Yorkshire QM Burials Digest: he is described as a card maker

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Robert (1773-1845)

Robert Crosland, the only surviving son of Robert Crosland (1733-1819 qv) and his wife Mary (born Marsden, 1740-1821 qv) of Oldfieldnook in the parish of Birstall in Yorkshire, was born there on 1 March 1773(1).

He became a card maker at Bolton le Moors in Lancashire(2) and was twice married. He married firstly in 1799 Mary Hall (1778-1815 qv) of Salford in Lancashire(3) and there were seven children(4). He married secondly in 1817 Esther Wood (1786-1831 qv) of Bolton le Moors(5) and there were six children(6).

Robert Crosland of Oldfieldnook, Cleckheaton in Yorkshire, died on 9 May 1845, at the age of seventy two(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: his father is described as a card maker
2 He is so described in his second marriage entry, note 5
3 The wedding was at Manchester on 19 June 1799: he is described as of Oldfield Nook, the son of Robert and Mary Crosland of Oldfield Nook in the parish of Birstall, Yorkshire; she is described as the daughter of James and Elizabeth Hall of Salford, Lancs. (Lancashire QM Marriages Digest)
4 Listed in Lancashire QM Births and Marriages Digests and in the Digest of Marriages as follows:-

*Ann	b 20 May 1801	
Sarah	b 1 April 1804	m 1828 Robert Lindsey (1801-1863 qv)
James qv	b 29 May 1806	m 1846 Hannah Maria Woodhead (1821-1893 qv)
*John	b 14 June 1808	
*Joseph	b 30 June 1810	
Robert qv	b 16 June 1812	m 1833 Tabitha Parkinson (1804?-1849 qv)
*Mary Hall	b 16 Nov 1815	

*No marriages traced in Lancashire QM Marriages Digest nor in the Digest of Marriages to 1890

5 The wedding was at Rochdale, Lancashire, on 18 July 1817: he is described as a card maker of Bolton le Moors, the son of Robert and Mary Crosland of Oldfield Nook in the parish of Birstall, Yorkshire; she is described as the daughter of John (deceased) and Margaret Wood of Bolton le Moors, Lancs. (Lancashire QM Marriages Digest)
6 Listed in Lancashire QM Births Digest and in the Digest of Marriages as follows:-

Esther	b 16 June 1818	m 1845 Joshua Blakey
Martha	b 28 Feb 1820	m 1850 Frederic Patching
Edward	b 3 March 1822	m 1845 Martha Blakey
William qv	b 2 March 1825	m 1853 Ann Milner (1827?-1916 qv)
*Jane	b 22 Oct 1827	
*Margaret Sophia	b 3 Dec 1830	

*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1890

7 Digest of Deaths: no description of him is given

SEE ALSO:-
Annual Monitor 1846, p 27: 2 line entry for death

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Robert (1812-1855)

Robert Crosland, the son of Robert Crosland (1773-1845 qv) and his first wife Mary (born Hall, 1778-1815 qv) of Bolton in Lancashire, was born there on 14 June 1812(1).

He became a book keeper at Bradford in Yorkshire(2) and was married in 1833 to Tabitha Parkinson (1804?-1849 qv) of Bradford(3); there were nine children(4). He later became an ironfounder at Bradford(5).

Robert Crosland of Horton, Bradford, died on 14 November 1855, at the age of forty three(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest: his father is described as a card maker
2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
3 The wedding was at Bradford on 21 August 1833: he is described as a book keeper of Bradford, Yorkshire, the son of Robert, a card maker and Mary (deceased) of Bolton le Moors, Lancashire; she is described as of Bradford, Yorkshire, the daughter of Robert, a linen draper and Hannah (both deceased) of Bradford (Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest)
4 Listed in Yorkshire QM Births and Burials Digests and in the Digests of Births, Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

Robert	b 23 April 1835	d 16 Sept 1835, aged 5 months
Mary Jane	b 7 July 1836	m 1859 James Austen Ellis
Lucy	b 9 Jan 1838	d 19 Oct 1855, aged 15
Robert qv	b 9 April 1839	d 31 Aug 1862, aged 23
Margaret Sophia	b 8 Sept 1840	d 4 March 1841, aged 6 months
Joseph qv	b 19 March 1842	m 1884 Mary Elizabeth Miller
Thomas William qv	b 21 April 1843	went to America (Bootham Register 1935, p 127)
Margaret Ann	b 25 May 1844	m 1878 Hugh Joseph Boyd
*Alfred	b 11 June 1845	

*No marriage traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1903

5 He is so described in the birth entry for his son Robert in 1839 and for subsequent children
6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as an iron founder

SEE ALSO:-
Annual Monitor 1857, p 34: 1 line entry for death

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Robert (1839-1862)

Robert Crosland, the son of Robert Crosland (1812-1855 qv) and his wife Tabitha (born Parkinson, 1804?-1849 qv) of Horton, Bradford in Yorkshire, was born there on 9 April 1839(1).

He was educated at Bootham School, York, from 1849 to 1854(2).

Robert Crosland of Bradford died on 31 August 1862, at the age of twenty three(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father is described as an ironfounder
2 Bootham School Register 1935, p 127
3 Digest of Deaths: he is described as an engineer

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Robert Firth (1847-1921)

Robert Firth Crosland, the only child of James Crosland (1806-1882 qv) and his wife Hannah Maria (born Woodhead, 1821-1895 qv) of Oldfieldnook near Cleckheaton in Yorkshire, was born there on 31 January 1847(1). He was a pupil at Bootham School, York, in 1859(2).

The family had been living for generations at Oldfieldnook and from his early years Robert Firth Crosland dedicated himself to the service of his Master. He was interested in the welfare of young people in the district and held a class for them on Sundays. He took part regularly in the meeting for worship which was started by his parents and was largely instrumental in raising funds for the new meeting house, so that it could be opened free of debt.

He was married in 1873 to Lucy Maria Doncaster (1843-1934 qv) of Sheffield (3) and there were four children(4). Soon after his marriage he was recorded a minister of the Society and although he was occupied for many years in the family card making business, which he had taken over at the age of twenty six(5), he devoted a great deal of his leisure to evangelical work, sometimes helping the Salvation Army in some of the neighbouring villages. He later provided two halls in the villages of Wyke and Wibsey where undenominational meetings were held by himself and other workers.

He travelled much in the ministry. Quite early in his manhood he accompanied Jonathan Grubb (1808-1894 qv) on a visit to the Vaudois valleys and later he received minutes from his monthly meeting for service in his own quarterly meeting, in Westmorland, Cumberland, Lancashire, Ireland, Scotland and elsewhere. He was a regular attender at business meetings and for some years acted as clerk to the ministry committee of the monthly meeting. He also filled the post of Registering Officer.

He did not neglect his duties as a citizen. He was for many years a poor law guardian and for three years chairman of the Board. In 1908 he was appointed a justice of the peace. On his retirement from business he became assistant secretary of the Yorkshire branch of the British and Foreign Bible Society. This work necessitated many journeys in Yorkshire, often requiring long walks on foot to reach isolated villages. His wife and children shared in his work. He was a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and a member of the Yorkshire Archaeological Society(6).

Robert Firth Crosland of Whalley Range, Manchester, died on 5 November 1921, at the age of seventy four(7).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Brighouse MM in Yearly Meeting Proceedings 1922, p 296

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a card maker
2 Bootham School Register 1935, p 127
3 The wedding was at Bakewell on 9 April 1873: he is described as a bachelor, a card maker of Oldfield Nook, Cleckheaton, the son of James Crosland, a card maker; she is described as a spinster of Broom Hall Park, Sheffield, the daughter of Daniel Doncaster, a steel manufacturer (Digest of Marriages)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

4 Listed in the Digests of Births and Deaths as follows:-

James Herbert qv	b 17 Feb 1874	m 1903 Constance Mary Robson (1873-1963 qv) /
Helen Grace qv	b 15 March 1875	d unmarried 22 Feb 1964 (The Friend vol 122, p 260)
Robert Wilfrid qv	b 16 Feb 1876	d unmarried 1 July 1961
Hannah Maria	b 1 Dec 1880	d unmarried 14 Oct 1963

~~*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1943~~

5 David Blamires, A History of Quakerism in Liversedge and Scholes, p 31

6 Bootham School Register, loc cit

7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as out of business

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Robert Wilfrid (1876-1961)

~~Robert~~ Wilfrid Crosland, the son of Robert Firth Crosland (1847-1921 qv) and his wife Lucy Maria (born Doncaster, 1843-1934 qv) of Oldfieldnook in the parish of Birstall in Yorkshire, was born there on 16 February 1876(1). He was educated at Bootham School, York, from 1888 to 1893, where his instinctive love of nature was fostered and he won the Old York Scholars Association Natural History Exhibition in 1891-1892. He also became interested in archaeology and geology and became an acknowledged expert on Rievaulx Abbey.

CROSLAND, Robert Firth (1847 - 1921)

Robert Firth Crosland, born 31 January 1847, was the only child of James and Hannah Maria Crosland.

The family had been living for generations at Oldfieldnook, near Cleckheaton, and from his early years Robert Firth Crosland dedicated himself to his Master's service. He was interested in the welfare of the young people of the district and held a class for them on Sundays. He took part regularly in the Meeting for Worship which was started by his parents. He was largely instrumental in raising the funds for the new meeting-house so that it could be opened free from debt.

After his marriage to Lucy Maria Doncaster, of Sheffield, he was recorded a Minister (1873). Although he was occupied for many years in the family business of wire card making, he devoted a great deal of his leisure time to evangelistic work, sometimes helping the Salvation Army in some of the neighbouring villages and, later, providing two Halls in the villages of Wyke and Wibsey where undenominational meetings were held by himself and other workers.

He travelled much in the ministry: quite early in his manhood he accompanied Jonathan Grubb on a visit to the Vaudois valleys and, later, he received minutes from His monthly meeting for service in his own quarterly meeting, in Westmorland, Cumberland, Lancashire, Ireland, Scotland and elsewhere.

At business meetings of the Society, he was a regular attender and, for some years, acted as clerk to the Ministry Committee of the monthly meeting. He also filled the post of Registering Officer.

He did not neglect his duties as a citizen, occupying for many years the position of Poor Law Guardian and for three years he was chairman of the Board. In 1908 he was appointed a Justice of the Peace. Upon his retirement from business he became assistant secretary for Yorkshire of the British and Foreign Bible Society. This work necessitated much journeying in Yorkshire, often requiring long walks on foot to reach isolated villages. His wife and children shared in his work.

In 1916 he moved to Manchester, soon afterwards experiencing a gradual lessening of his physical powers. He died 5 November 1921.

Testimony of Brighouse MM in YM Proc. 1922, p.296

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

The Friend vol 119 (1961) p 1039

Bootham School Register 1935, p 127

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a card maker
2 David Blamires, A History of Quakerism in Liversedge and Scholes, p 40
3 Digest of Deaths: no description of him is given; his name is given as Wilfrid R.

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Sarah Letitia (1868?-1945) born Woods

Sarah Letitia Woods, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of William Woods of Liverpool and was born about the year 1868(1).

She became in 1919 the second wife of Joshua Robert Crosland (1865-1943 qv), a handicraft teacher of East Dulwich, London, but the marriage was childless(2).

Sarah Letitia Crosland died at The Retreat, York, on 27 October 1945, at the age of seventy seven(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 77 at death: her birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
2 For marriage see CROSLAND, Joshua Robert (1865-1943)
3 Digest of Deaths: sheis described as the widow of Joshua Robert

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Tabitha (1804?-1849) born Parkinson

Tabitha Parkinson, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the daughter of Robert and Hannah Parkinson of Bradford in Yorkshire and was born about the year 1804(1).

She was married in 1833 to Robert Crosland (1812-1855 qv), a book keeper of Bradford and there were nine children(2). Her husband subsequently became an iron founder(3).

Tabitha Crosland of Horton, Bradford, died on 29 October 1849, at the age of forty five(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 45 at death: her birth is not traced in Yorkshire QM Births Digest
2 For marriage and children see CROSLAND, Robert (1812-1855)
3 See entry for CROSLAND, Robert (1812-1855)
4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Robert

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1851, p 17: 2 line entry for death, the wife of Robert Crosland

N.B. There is no reference to her in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Thomas William (1843-)

Thomas William Crosland, the son of Robert Crosland (1812-1855 qv) and his wife Tabitha (born Parkinson, 1804?-1849 qv) of Horton, Bradford in Yorkshire, was born there on 21 April 1843(1).

He was educated at Bootham School, York, from 1856 to 1858(2).

He went to America(3) and the date of his death is not at present (1985) traced(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: his father is described as an ironfounder
2 Bootham School Register 1935, p 127
3 Ibid
4 His death is not traced in Haverford College Library, Quaker Necrology

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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CROSLAND, Wilfrid (1876-1961)

see CROSLAND, Robert Wilfrid (1876-1961)

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CROSLAND, William (1825-1912)

William Crosland, the son of Robert Crosland (1773-1845 qv) and his wife Esther (born Wood, 1786?-1831 qv) of Bolton le Moors in Lancashire, was born there on 2 March 1825(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1835 to 1837(2) and went on to Bootham School, York, from 1837 to 1840.

On leaving school he became a grocer at Otley(3), but in 1874 he went to Canada on a visit, with the idea of taking his family over and settling there as a farmer. But he was disappointed with the country and after his return to England he settled down to engineering in Manchester. In 1894 he moved to Bredbury near Stockport in Cheshire, in connection with the expansion of his engineering business. While in Manchester he was a member of the Manchester Board of Guardians for twelve years.

His interest in the engineering business continued until his death and some years before he died it was turned into a private limited company, of which his four sons became directors.

He was married in 1853 to Ann Milner (1827?-1916 qv) of Leeds(4) and there were four children, born between the years 1854 to 1862(5). All his sons and his seven grandchildren, with one exception, were educated at Ackworth.

William Crosland of Romiley in Cheshire died on 16 February 1912, at the age of eighty six(6).

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 31 (1912) pp 97-98
Bootham School Register 1935, pp 127-128

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Lancashire QM Births Digest: his father is described as a card maker
2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 130, entry 5856: from Bolton
3 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 4
4 The wedding was at Leeds on 23 February 1853: he is described as a bachelor, a grocer of Otley, the son of Robert Crosland, a card maker; she is described as a spinster of Leeds, the daughter of Abraham Milner, a cloth manufacturer (Digest of Marriages)
5 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages and given in Bootham School Register, loc cit, as follows:-

Leo qv	b 20 Dec 1854	m 1882 Annie Hall (1856?-1930 qv)
Milner qv	b 8 Dec 1856	m 1886 Annie Hudson (1866?-1947 qv)
George qv	b 21 Aug 1860	m 1884 Margaret Williams (1863?-1918 qv)
Charles qv	b 1862	m (1)1889 Jane Hudson (1867?-1913 qv) (2)1915 Elizabeth Youde (1883?-1960 qv)

6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a machine maker
Romiley is 4 miles E of Stockport

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1-53

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