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NICHOLSON, Barbara (1695-1746/7) probably born Brecken

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Barbara Brecken was born about the year 1695.(1) She married William Nicholson in 1717(2) and there were five children of the marriage.(3) She was "a Woman of a Sweet & Peaceable Disposition, and an example of Piety and Godliness, both in her Family and Neighbourhood, by which she gained much Love and Esteem both among Friends and Others." She appeared in the ministry when she was aged about forty three and her gift "was very lively and Edifying to the Meeting where she belonged & believe in other Places where her Lot was cast."

She became ill of a fever and died on 24.xii.1746 (i.e. February 1746/7)(4) in the fifty second year of her age, having been a minister for about eight years. She was buried in Friends' burying ground at Castleton.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Gisborough MM 20.i. (March) 1746/7 in TCMD vol.1 p.256

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged fifty one at time of death. There is no entry in Yorkshire QM Births Digest
- 2 There is an entry for the marriage of William Nicholson of Westerdale in Yorkshire to Barbara Brecken also of Westerdale on 7.ix. (November) 1717; the wedding was at George Hartes' in Danby, but no description of them is given (Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest)
- 3 Listed in Yorkshire QM Births Digest as follows:-

William (Nicholson)	b 17.vi. (August) 1718
Mary (Nicholson)	b 24.iii. (May) 1721
Hannah (Nicholson)	b 20.xi. 1724 (i.e. January 1724/5)
Barbara (Nicholson)	b 29.ii. (April) 1727
Ann "	b 30.iii. (May) 1733
- 4 Yorkshire QM Burials Digest: Barbara Nicholson died on 24.xii. (February 1746/7); she is described as a widow

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NICHOLSON, Benjamin, -1660

Lived at Tickell, England.

1652, spoke in steeple house and suffered 5 months imprisonment.

1653, wrote A blast from the Lord, or a warning to England, &c; also, Truth's defence against lies, &c.

d. 1660, after imprisonment in York Castle for refusing the oath. He was still a prisoner when he died.

Besse, 2:89,102,108

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:239

NICHOLSON

~~HANCASTER~~, Dinah (1656-1718) born Lancaster

Dinah Lancaster elder daughter of James Lancaster, was in the employ of the Hall and there are various entries of wages paid to her or of articles provided in lieu of payments in cash. Nine shillings and sixpence in settlement of her wages to 10 Feb. 1673/4 was paid to her on 11 Oct. 1674. In 1678 at Marsh Grange she married John Nicholson of Cartgate within Pardshaw MM Cumberland. Several children predeceased her. From others there was a numerous progeny.

Swan Howes

Note by Norman Penney in 'The Household Account Book of Sarah Full'
1920, p.542

NICHOLSON, Eliza (1813-1894) after 1851 Barlow

[Eliza Nicholson, the daughter of Thomas ()
and Betty (born Sutton) Nicholson of Cartgates, near
Whithaven, was married in 1851 to John Barlow
(1815-1856, qv).

see BARLOW, Eliza (1815-1894) born Nicholson]

NICHOLSON, Eliza Marion (1874?-1954) born McCurdy
E. Eliza Marion McCurdy, the daughter of Robert McCurdy of Lower Newtown,
Waterford in Ireland, was born about the year 1874(1).
She was probably brought up as a Presbyterian(2) and joined the Society
about 1906(3). She was married in 1901 to William Fletcher Nicholson
(1867-1955 qv), a schoolmaster and later Recording Clerk to the Society
and there were three children(4).
E. Eliza Marion Nicholson of Tramore, Jordans in Buckinghamshire, died on
10 February 1954, at the age of eighty(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 80 at death
- 2 She was married in the Presbyterian Chapel at Waterford: see entry for NICHOLSON, William Fletcher (1867-1955)
- 3 Her eldest son, born in 1902, was not recorded in the Digest of Births: the birth of Norman Crawford in 1906 was recorded, as was Kenneth Fletcher in 1910
- 4 For marriage and children see NICHOLSON, William Fletcher (1867-1955)
- 5 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of William Fletcher (1867-1955)

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

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NICHOLSON, Elizabeth (1769-1834) born Sutton

Elizabeth Nicholson, the daughter of William and Elizabeth Sutton of Scotby, married Thomas Nicholson of Whitehaven in 1793.

She became a minister in 1803 and made several tours, in particular to the Isle of Man and to Scotland.

She died in 1834 aged 65.

Testimony of Pardshaw M.M. In MS Test.vol.6 p.70

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NICHOLSON, Ellen M., nee Bassett, 1833-1870

b. July 23, 1833 at Danby, Vermont, daughter of
William and Rhoda Bassett.

After the death of her father she removed to
Smithfield, R.I.. She was of frail constitution.

Became a teacher.

m., 1857, Josiah Nicholson.

Recorded a minister and travelled locally and
to New York and New England. She had pleasing manners
a cultivated mind and quick perceptions.

d. Dec. 10, 1870 in Greensboro, N.C. in her
38th year.

Friends, Society of - Piney Woods Monthly Meeting, N.C.,
A testimony concerning our late beloved Friend, Ellen
M. Nicholson.

NICHOLSON, Gertrude (1869-1955)

Gertrude Nicholson, the elder daughter of Herbert Nicholson (1841-1926 qv) and his wife Sarah (born Walker, 1839?-1898 qv), was born at Hayesville, Ontario in Canada in August 1869(1). Her family returned to England in 1882(2).

She was educated at Ackworth School from 1882 to 1885(3). She served the Society on two central committees(4).

Gertrude Nicholson of 1 The Green, Jordans, Buckinghamshire, died on 6 May 1955, at the age of eighty five(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Memorials of the families of Shorthouse and Robinson, 1902, Chart 1
- 2 See entry for NICHOLSON, Herbert (1841-1926)
- 3 Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 74 (1955) p 66: 3 line obituary
- 4 Typescript Committee Lists, Friends House Library:-
Meeting for Sufferings - 1922-1926
Colonial - 1924-1926
- 5 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the daughter of Herbert

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

NICHOLSON, Harold William (1902-1973)

Harold William Nicholson, the son of William Fletcher Nicholson (1867-1955 qv) and his wife Eliza Marion (born McCurdy, 1874? - 1954 qv), was born at Ackworth in the year 1902(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1912 to 1917 and at Bootham School, York, from 1917 to 1919(2).

He was married in 1934 to Mary Grace Smith (1906-1971 qv) of Palmers Green, who was described as not in membership with the Society(3) and there were two children(4).

Although he had no formal training, he was London manager of J.Parker-Ellison, the Karri-cot firm, for forty years. In 1939 he and his family moved to Jordans and he was on the committee of the Jordans Music Club from its inception in 1945 until his death. He participated fully in village life and was president of the village cricket club. He was an elder of his meeting(5).

Harold William Nicholson of Jordans died peacefully in hospital on 16 February 1973(6).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 92 (1973) p 79

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bootham School Register 1935, p 286. His birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
- 2 Ibid
- 3 The wedding was at Lincoln on 1 August 1934: he is described as a bachelor, a manufacturers agent of 66 Grange Drive, Winchmore Hill, London, N 21, the son of William Fletcher Nicholson, Secretary to the Society of Friends; she is described as a spinster, a school teacher of 5 Burford Gardens, Palmers Green, the daughter of Wilfred Joseph Smith, a draper (Digest of Marriages)
Although she is described as NM, she had a birthright membership:
see entry for NICHOLSON, Mary Grace (1906-1971) born Smith
- 4 Listed in the Digest of Births as follows:-

Norman Fletcher b 19 May 1937	m 1962 Brenda M.Lloyd Jones (The Friend vol 120 (1962) p 724)
Anthony Marsden b 29 May 1939	m 1962 Sheila Margaret Breakey (The Friend vol 120 (1962) p 1196)
- 5 Bootham School Register, loc cit
- 6 The Friend (1973) p 204: on 10 February, peacefully in Hospital, Harold William Nicholson of Jordans, husband of the late Mary Nicholson and father of Fletcher and Anthony

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

Herbert Nicholson, the son of William Fletcher Nicholson (1800-1859 qv) and his wife Marianne (born Shorthouse, 1803-1887 qv) of Cartgate, Whitehaven in Cumberland, was born there on 9 August 1841(1).

He was educated at Ackworth School from 1853 to 1854, but after a year he was transferred to Wigton School in Cumberland. From there he went to a school in Edinburgh, where he spent some years learning farming. He felt there were better opportunities abroad and in 1862 he and his brother went to Canada, taking up land in Ontario. While there, he married in 1866 at the Friends Meeting House in Norwich, Canada, Sarah Walker (1839?-1898 qv), who had also been educated at Ackworth(2); there were three children(3).

His life in Canada was passed almost entirely in the vicinity of Norwich, where there was a large community of Friends, mostly of Dutch extraction. He and his wife were very soon caught up in the evangelical revival, so that more and more of his time was given up to religious work.

In 1882 he returned with his family to England and entered the employment of Katherine Backhouse, becoming steward of her property and manager of the Pottery Buildings Mission. Besides being an effective preacher he was a good organiser, so that the Mission had a number of years of great prosperity. He was a very keen member of the Society, taking great interest in its organisation and attending London Yearly Meeting regularly. He remained evangelical in his views and regretted changes coming about in the Society.

Herbert Nicholson retired from active life in 1903. He died at 4 Cross Street, Letchworth in Hertfordshire on 3 October 1926, at the age of eighty five(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 46 (1927) pp 91-2

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a corn merchant
- 2 The marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages or in The Friend for 1866
- 3 Given in Memorials of the families of Shorthouse and Robinson, 1902 Chart 1 as follows:-

William Fletcher qv	b 14 Nov 1867	m 1901 Eliza Marion McCurdy (1874?-1954 qv) (<u>The Friend</u> 12 July 1901, p 466)
*Gertrude qv	b Aug 1869	
*Alice Maud	b Sept 1873	
- *No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1935
- 4 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a retired secretary

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

NICHOLSON, Herbert Bowman (1883-1950)

Herbert Bowman Nicholson, the son of Howard Nicholson (1843-1933 qv) and his wife Louisa Charlotte (born Bowman, 1852?-1940 qv), was born in Canada on 21 May 1883(1).

He was educated at Ackworth School from 1892 to 1898; after leaving school he went out to Egypt in 1905 and worked with the Egyptian Delta Light Railways until his retirement in 1948(2).

He was married in 1907 to Ellen Mabel Collins(3), but the marriage may have been childless(4).

Herbert Bowman Nicholson of 24 Rue Busiris, Ibrahimich, Alexandria in Egypt, died on 23 July 1950, at the age of sixty seven(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Memorials of the families of Shorthouse and Robinson, 1902, Chart 1: his birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
- 2 Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 70 (1951) p 66: brief obituary notice
- 3 The Friend vol 47 (1907) p 442: on 4 June 1907 at the British Consulate, Cairo, Herbert Nicholson, son of H. and L.C.Nicholson, to Ellen Mabel, daughter of M.E.Collins of Maida Vale
- 4 No children are traced in the Digest of Births or given in A.O.S.A. Reports, loc cit
- 5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as an ex-railway superintendent

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

NICHOLSON, Howard (1843-1933)

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Howard Nicholson, the youngest son of William Fletcher Nicholson (1800-1859 qv) and his wife Marianne (born Shorthouse, 1803-1887 qv) of Whitehaven in Cumberland, was born there on 30 May 1843(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1853 to 1854 and went on with his brother Herbert (1841-1926 qv) to schools at Wigton in Cumberland and Edinburgh. After leaving school he was apprenticed to the engineering firm of Kitsons of Leeds.

But like his brother Herbert, he saw greater opportunities abroad and at the age of nineteen he sailed for Canada, where he farmed for five years. He returned to England briefly in 1872 and married Louisa Charlotte Bowman (1852?-1940 qv) (2); he took her back to Canada with him and there were six children(3).

On his return to Canada he lived for a time at Norwich, Ontario, where his brother Herbert had settled. At the end of five years he entered the office of Elias Rogers in Toronto, which led to an appointment as manager of a coal mine in Pennsylvania and eventually to an assured future as a mining engineer. But while there he had a remarkable religious experience which changed the course of his life. After serving as clerk to Canada Yearly Meeting he decided to give up his business and devote his life to the service of the Gospel, among the scattered farming population around Pelham, Ontario. Many responded to him and were admitted into membership with the Society.

In 1888 he felt drawn to return to England and took charge of Barnet Grove Mission, Bethnal Green, for nineteen years. In addition he visited Friends' schools, held evangelistic missions in many meetings and was an active member of the Friends Foreign Mission Association; he also served on the Meeting for Sufferings(4) and on the committee of the Friends Temperance Union and Tract Association. *

In 1918
In 1916 he retired to Colchester in Essex, + endearing himself to all by his intense concern for the spiritual welfare of both young and old.

Howard Nicholson of Fonthill, Nelson Road, Lexden, Colchester, died on 3 April 1933, at the age of eighty nine(5).

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

The Friend vol 91 (1933) pp 344-345 (portrait)

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 52 (1933) p 88

Testimony of Colchester MM in Yearly Meeting Proceedings 1933, p 217

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a corn merchant
- 2 The marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages or in The Friend for 1872 and 1873. The marriage was on 8 August 1872 at St John's church, Chester (The Friend ns vol 62 (1922) p 542, recording golden wedding). See also p 537 for short notice of the occasion, and The Friend vol 90 (1932) p 675 for fuller account of their diamond wedding

* On retiring from the work at Bethnal Green he moved to Coventry where he lived for 10 years. (%)

+ to be near his son-in-law and daughter, George A and Marion L Fox

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NICHOLSON, Howard (1843-1933)

Howard Nicholson, born on the 30th May 1843, was the youngest son of William Fletcher and Marion Nicholson, who with their large family were members and faithful attenders at the large but mainly silent Meeting at Whitehaven.

Howard was educated at Ackworth, Wigan and Edinburgh and learned Practical Engineering at Messrs Kitson's of Leeds.

He shared the family love of travel and adventure and when 19 he sailed with his brother Herbert for Canada where he farmed for five years.

In 1872 during a short period at home, he married Louisa Charlotte Bowman, taking her to Canada where he now became a successful manager of one of Elias Rogers coal mines.

At one of the house Meetings which Friends in Norwich, Ontario arranged and which were attended by many farmers from long distances, Howard Nicholson experienced a spiritual re-birth.

Soon after this, while attending Canada Yearly Meeting (of which he later became Clerk) the call came to him to relinquish business and devote his life to the Ministry of the Gospel amongst the scattered farming population around Pelham, Ontario. Many responded and were admitted into membership.

In 1883 he felt drawn to settle again in England and he took charge of Barnet Grove Mission, Bethnal Green for nineteen years. In addition he visited Friends Schools and held Evangelistic Missions in many Meetings which brought new life and increased membership.

In 1913 he retired to Colchester endearing himself to all by his intense concern for the spiritual well-being of both young and old. He died on 3rd April 1933.

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Additional references

NICHOLSON, Howard, 1843-1933

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The Friend (London), 90 (1932):675 (portrait);
91 (1933):345 (portrait)

REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

3 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages and given in Memorials of the families of Shorthouse and Robinson, 1902, Chart 1, as follows:-

*Lancelot	b 18 March 1875	
*Thomas	b 22 Jan 1877	
Marion Louise qv	b 9 Aug 1879	m 1902 George Alexander Fox (1876-1965 qv)
Herbert Bowman qv	b 21 May 1883	m 1907 Ellen Mabel Collins <u>(The Friend 28 June 1907, p 442)</u>

*Beatrice Winifred b 7 Jan 1889

Gladys Evelyn b 28 Dec 1893 m 1916 Charles Phillips Webber

*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1941

The births of his two youngest children, born after his return to England, are recorded in the Digest; he is described as a missionary

4 Typescript Committee Lists, Friends House Library:-

Meeting for Sufferings - 1891-1908

FFMA - 1891-1915

FFMA Consultant - 1915-1927

5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as retired

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

% The move from London to Coventry was about 1907: their names appear in the 1907 London & Middlesex QM printed list of members as members of Devonshire House MM, but are not in that for 1908; their names appear under Coventry in the 1908 Warwick Leicester & Stafford QM printed list of members but are not in that for 1907

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NICHOLSON, James (1795-1836)

James Nicholson, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Nicholson of Springfield in Cumberland, was born there on 4 April 1795(1). He became a corn merchant at Cartgate in Cumberland(2) and was married in 1832 to Sarah Waite (1790-1841 qv) of Dublin(3), but the marriage was apparently childless(4).

) He appeared in the ministry when he was about thirty nine. He was simple, clear and sound in his views of the doctrines of Christianity and often bore testimony to the inward and immediate influence of the Holy Spirit, bestowed on all who seek it in sincerity. His love for his friends was sincere and deeply felt, not only as a sweetening of social intercourse but from the earnest desire to promote their eternal well being, and he was greatly beloved and valued by them.

Having been in a declining state of health he was persuaded to take a journey in the hope of restoration, but on reaching Carlisle he became rapidly ill and died on 9 June 1836 at the age of forty one(5). He was buried in the Friends' burial ground at Scotby.

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Annual Monitor 1837, pp 32-33

Testimony of Pardshaw MM in Testimonies 1837, p 1

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births Digest: his father is described as a mariner
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Whitehaven on 29 August 1832: he is described as a corn merchant of Cartgate, Cumberland, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Nicholson of Springfield, Cumberland; she is described as the daughter of Thomas M.D. (deceased) and Isabella Waite of Dublin (Cumberland & Northumberland QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 No children are traced in Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births Digest
- 5 Cumberland & Northumberland QM Burials Digest: he is described as a corn merchant

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

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NICHOLSON, James, 1795-1836

An. Mon. (O.S.) 25 (1837):32

NICHOLSON, Jane (1839-1874) after 1866 Brady

[Jane Nicholson, daughter of Henry Nicholson (-)

NICHOLSON, James (1799-1877) born

James Nicholson, the son of Joseph and Anne Nicholson of Pardshaw Monthly Meeting, was born on 7 March 1799(1).

He became a grocer at Whitehaven(2) and subsequently a sharebroker(3) and was married in 1830 to Sarah Robinson (1798-1877 qv) of Pardshaw(4); there were six children(5).

James Nicholson of Pardshaw died on 3 November 1877 at the age of seventy eight(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births Digest: his place of birth and his father's occupation are not given
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 4
- 3 He is so described in his burial entry, note 6
- 4 The wedding was at Pardshawhall on 21 January 1830: he is described as a grocer of Whitehaven in Cumberland, the son of Joseph (deceased) and Ann Nicholson of Whitehaven; she is described as the daughter of John and Ann Robinson of Pardshaw in Cumberland (Cumberland & Northumberland QM Marriages Digest)
- 5 Listed in Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births and Burials Digests:-

Mary Ann	b 30 Oct 1830	who d 30 Jan 1833
Sarah Maria	b 22 March 1832	
Joseph	b 13 Sept 1833	
Anne Miller	b 7 June 1836	
John Robinson	b 28 Nov 1838	
James George	b 21 Sept 1841	

N.B. No marriages are traced for any of these children in the Digest of Marriages to 1903
- 6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a sharebroker

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1879, p 127: 2 line entry for death

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

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NICHOLSON, John, 1833-1908.

b. 1833, North Carolina, at Hertford.

ed. at Friends' Belvidere Academy, N.C., and Moses Brown School at Providence, R.I.

Taught school at Nine Partners, N.Y. for a year,
then assisted his brother Timothy at Belvidere Academy.

1860, moved to Richmond, Indiana where he purchased
a store.

1861, with his brother Timothy started Nicholson &
Bro. Firm.

1862, m. Mary B. Winslow of Carthage, Ind.

Worthy member of White Water Meeting and Bible School.
Charter member and on the Building Committee for Richmon^d Meeting, now called South 8th St.

Original trustee of public library founded close to
that time by Robert Morrison.

1873, moved to Baltimore and entered into a partnership
with William L. and Joseph P. Elliott.

Appointed overseer and elder of his meeting.

1875, Stanley Pumphrey's visit aroused interest in
missionary work abroad, hence Baltimore Y.M. appointed
a Foreign Mission works committee of which J.N. was chair-
man until 1898.

1891, he was appointed to the Indian Committee which
he attended until 1906. During most of this period he was

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NICHOLSON, John, 1833-1908, page 2.

chairman of the committee on religious interests and education. Many years chairman of representative meeting and of the Permanent Board of the Y.m., and in this duty he bore the responsibility of the revision of the discipline, and other weighty concerns.

He was also on the Board of Managers of the Maryland Bible Society.

Possessed clear judgement and confidence in the young.

d. 20 May 1908, Baltimore, Md.

Baltimore Y.M. Minutes, 1908, p. 76.

Am. Frd., 15(1908):409-410.

Catalogue of Officers & Pupils pf Frds. Boarding School,
Providence, R.I., (1851):4; (1852):3.

NICHOLSON, Joseph ~~and wife~~

Joseph and Jane Nicholson of Bootle were convinced by James Nayler. They visited New England in 1759 (John Taylor, 1710, p.4) and were in gaol in Boston at the time of the execution of Mary Dyer. They returned to England in 1660, but spent several subsequent years in America. Settle in Yorkshire was their home towards the close of life; here the widow died in 1712. Joseph Nicholson was living in 1704. About a dozen letters from him, mainly narrating his experiences in Massachusetts are in Friends House. (Swarth MSS). 6/

Note by N. Penney in Fox's Journal, Camb. ed. 1911 vol.1 p.416

see also next sheet

NICHOLSON, Joseph

Joseph Nicholson was of Bootle, Cumberland. Convinced by Fox (cf. E.P.T., 33; not by Nayler, as C.J., i.416). Travelled to America (cf. Q.A.C.). cf. Middleton (or so-called Caton, ii.) MSS. 153, quoted in B.Q., 236, for copy of undated letter from him to Oliver Cromwell, expressing willingness 'to offer up my body, and my life (if it be required) for my brethren which are in prison in several gaols in this nation'. cf. Smith, Cat.

Note by G.F. Nuttall in Early quaker letters, 1952, p.68

see also previous sheet

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NICHOLSON, Joseph

1660, wrote The standard of the Lord lifted up
in New England, &c. Written while in prison in Boston.
1663 cruelly whipped through Salem, Dedham and

Boston.
1665 Imprisoned at Flushing or Gravesend, or both
in New York.

Bowden, History, i:203-06, 268

Besse, i:291; 2:233,237

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:240

John Smith's Ms. 2:571

Jour. of G. Fox, Cambridge ed., 2:331, 336.

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(prepared by RB)

NICHOLSON, Josiah, ca. 1832-1913

b. ca. 1832

Member and Elder of Piney Woods Mo. Mtg., Perquimmans County, North Carolina.

1872-73, 1879-80, 1885, Clerk North Carolina Y. Mtg.

d. 30 Mar. 1913 of heart failure in Belvidere, North Carolina, aged 81 yrs.

Elliott, Errol T., Qu. on the Am. Frontier, 396
The Friend, 86(1913), 360

NICHOLSON, Louisa Charlotte (1852?-1940) born Bowman

Louisa Charlotte Bowman, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1981) traced, was born about the year 1852(1).

She was married in 1872 to Howard Nicholson (1843-1933 qv), a farmer and mining engineer in Canada and there were six children(2). Her husband later became a missionary and the family returned to England in 1888(3). She served with the Friends Foreign Mission Association(4).

Louisa Charlotte Nicholson of Fonthill, Nelson Road, Lexden, Colchester in Essex, died on 22 April 1940, at the age of eighty eight(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 88 at death. Her birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
- 2 For marriage and children see NICHOLSON, Howard (1843-1933)
- 3 See entry for NICHOLSON, Howard (1843-1933)
- 4 Typescript Committee Lists, Friends House Library:-
FFMA - 1905-1915
- 5 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Howard

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

NICHOLSON, Mariana (1833-1911) aftw. Southall

[Mariana Nicholson, daughter of William Fletcher
Nicholson of Whitehaven and Mariana his wife,
(nee) was married in 1862 to
Samuel Southall of Leeds

see SOUTHALL, Mariana (1833-1911) born Nicholson]

NICHOLSON, Marianne (1803-1887) born Shorthouse

Marianne Shorthouse, the daughter of William Shorthouse (1768-1838 qv) and his wife Rebecca (born Robinson, 1765-1858 qv) of Birmingham, was born there on 11 June 1803(1).

She was married in 1830 to William Fletcher Nicholson (1800-1859 qv), a corn merchant of Whitehaven in Cumberland and there were nine children(2).

Marianne Nicholson of Headingley near Leeds died on 22 December 1887, at the age of eighty four(3), a widow for about twenty eight years.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Warwick, Leicester & Rutland QM Births Digest: her father is described as a chemist
- 2 For marriage and children see NICHOLSON, William Fletcher (1800-1859)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of William Fletcher

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1889, p 84: 3 line entry for death, the widow of W.F.Nicholson of Whitehaven

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

NICHOLSON, Marion (1874?-1954) born McCurdy

see NICHOLSON, Eliza Marion (1874?-1954) born McCurdy

NICHOLSON, Mary (1797-1867)

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Mary Nicholson, daughter of John and Jane Nicholson, was born at Whitehaven, Cumberland, in 1797. She first spoke as a minister in 1834 and was recorded by Pardshaw Monthly Meeting in 1836. She visited Friends Meetings in various parts of the country and was often engaged in family visits. She also visited Ireland, and in 1856, accompanied by a friend, paid a prolonged visit of about two years' duration to Friends in America.

Mary Nicholson was a devoted Friend, constant in attendance at all meetings; her ministry was clear and convincing, and sound in doctrine. She had wide interests and showed unfailing sympathy to any who might be in trouble or in difficulties. In particular she endeared herself to those younger and less experienced than herself; she was, indeed, greatly beloved.

Although far from strong physically she lived to a good age, and died at Whitehaven on 4 March 1867 in her 70th year.

Testimony of Pardshaw M.M. in Y.M.Proc. 1868 p.i

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Additional references

NICHOLSON, Mary, 1797-1867

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Evans, Friends of half a century, 241 (portrait)

The Friend (London), 7 (1867):100

An. Mon. (N.S.), 26:168

NICHOLSON, Mary Grace (1906-1971) born Smith

Mary Grace Smith, the daughter of Wilfred Joseph Smith (-) and his wife Rose (born) of Mona House, Cambridge Avenue, Lincoln, was born there on 22 January 1906(1). She was educated at Ackworth School from 1917 to 1922 and at school she soon showed herself as a leader, playing in both hockey and cricket elevens and in the tennis six. On leaving Ackworth she spent a year at Lincoln High School, before entering Homerton Teacher Training College at Cambridge.

After spending a short time teaching in North London, she was married in 1934 to Harold Nicholson (1902-1973 qv), a manufacturer's agent of London and there were two children(2). The Nicholsons made their first home at Winchmore Hill, but in 1940 they went to live at Jordans(3), to be near Harold Nicholson's elderly parents and aunts. They found their niche at once in the village community and the meeting and through the years Mary was involved in many village activities, notably the Jordans Players and the Music Club. She was always busy, but she kept open house for her friends and many delightful evenings were spent in discussion and social activities.

During her last few years she served as an elder and was also a very active member of the committee responsible for the re-opening and running of Old Jordans Guest House. She gave herself unreservedly to the work, as she did to everything she undertook and she could always be relied upon to give practical help when unexpected emergencies occurred.

Mary Grace Nicholson of Tramore, Jordans, died in Amersham Hospital, after a second coronary attack, on 16 December 1971(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 91 (1972) p 76

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a house furnisher
- 2 For marriage and children see NICHOLSON, Harold (1902-1973)
- 3 The entry for NICHOLSON, Harold (1902-1973) gives the date of their removal to Jordans as 1939
- 4 The Friend 1971, p 1564: she is described as the dearly loved wife of Harold Nicholson and mother of Fletcher and Anthony

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

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NICHOLSON, Peter

Lived in Ireland and later in Cumberland, Eng.

Became financially involved.

1771, Testimony of denial issued by Dublin men's meeting.

1770-1771 complained of the action of Pardshaw Monthly Meeting, and appealed to London Yearly Meeting against the judgment of Ireland's National Half-Yearly Meeting in a letter called An appeal to Friends of London Yearly Meeting. (1771)

Jos, Smith's Cat., 2:240

NICHOLSON, Rachel (1692?-1745) aftw. Arnold

[Rachel Nicholson was the daughter of Benjamin Nicholson of Scarborough, Yorkshire and his wife Mary (nee) She was married in 1720 to Stephen Arnold

[see **ARNOLD**, Rachel (1692?-1745) born Nicholson]

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NICHOLSON, S. Edgar, 1862-1934

b. 1862 in Elizabethtown, Indiana, son
of Samuel and Rhoda H. Nicholson.

ed. Sand Creek Seminary, Earlham College (A.B.-1885)
Taught school, then took up newspaper work.

m. Rhoda Elma. 3 children.

1891 recorded a minister.

1894-98 served as representative in Indiana legis-
lature. Deeply interested in temperance work.

1897 PRES., CONFERENCE LEADING TO FORMATION OF THE FIVE YEARS MTG.
1898 took up work with the Anti-saloon League.

Was employed with this group until 1928.

1913-1917, Editor American Friend. (JSB)
1920-21 Represented Friends in the Hoover organ-
ization from raised \$29,000,000 for European relief of
children. Also worked with Frederick J. Libby in
the National Council for the Prevention of War.

d. April 18, 1934 in Media, Penna., aged 72 years.

The Friend (Phila.), 107(1934):381

Frds. Intel., 91(1934):307

The Am. Friend 22(1934):151 (portrait)

Elliott, Errol T., Quakers on the American Frontier, p. 325, ^{OPP.} ADDITIONAL PAGE

WBE:

NICHOLSON, Samuel, -1685

Had some education.

m. Ann (d.1694) 5 children.

1675 with 39 others signed an agreement for government with John Fenwick and came to New Jersey. They settled at Salem, on Salem Creek. The important declaration which they signed was called "Concessions and Agreements".

1676 established a monthly meeting.

1680 built his log house. A year later he deeded a 16 acre lot on Broadway St. in Salem for a meeting House and graveyard.

Moved to Alloway's Creek. After John Fenwick he was wealthiest man in the state. He died leaving no will.

d. 1685 at Salem, N.J.

Nicholson, W.H., My ancestors

Clement, First settlers in Newton Township, 213, 215, 216,
218, 219

NICHOLSON, Sarah (1790-1841) born Waite

Sarah Nicholson, the eldest daughter of Thomas and Isabella Waite of Dublin, was born in 1790. A few years later the family removed to Cumberland. She settled in London in 1817, becoming a member of Fins M.M. which in 1821 recorded her as a minister - her first appearance in the ministry having been some 8 years earlier. In 1830 she returned to Whitehaven and was a member of that meeting for the rest of her life. In the autumn of 1832 she married James Nicholson of Cartgate, nr Whitehaven: four years later she was left a widow.

Her ministerial visits between 1824 and 1839 covered many parts of Great Britain and Ireland. During the last of these - to Friends in Lancashire - she was taken ill with a severe convulsive attack. After her return home she suffered a two years' illness, for many months of which her sight was entirely gone. She died on 28 December 1841 aged 51 years. Her body was interred in Friends burial ground Whitehaven.

WBE:
Additional reference

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NICHOLSON, Sarah, nee Waite, 1790-1841

An. Mon. (N.S.), 1 (1843):56

NICHOLSON, Sarah (1798-1882) born Robinson

Sarah Robinson, the daughter of John and Ann Robinson of Pardshaw, was born there on 5 March 1798(1). She was married in 1830 to James Nicholson (1799-1877 qv) and there were six children(2).

Sarah Nicholson of Pardshaw died on 25 December 1882, at the age of eighty four(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births Digest: her father is described as a yeoman
- 2 For marriage and children see NICHOLSON, James (1799-1877)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of James

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1884, p 80: 2 line entry for death

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

NICHOLSON, Sarah (1839?-1898) born Walker

Sarah Walker, the daughter of Thomas and Ann Walker of Darley in Yorkshire, was born about the year 1839(1).

She was educated at Ackworth School from 1849 to 1852 and after leaving school served an apprenticeship at Bradford. After this, she went out to Ontario in Canada to keep house for her brothers and while there she married in 1866 Herbert Nicholson (1841-1926 qv); there were three children(2).

In 1882 she and her husband and family returned to England, partly so that their children could be educated at Ackworth School. They settled in Sunderland, where she lived for the rest of her life.

Sarah Nicholson of 5 Toward Terrace, Sunderland, died on 6 June 1898, at the age of fifty nine(3).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 17 (1898) p 78

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 59 at death. Her birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
- 2 For marriage and children see NICHOLSON, Herbert (1841-1926)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Herbert

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

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NICHOLSON, Thomas, c.1715-1780

b. c.1715

Lived at Little River, N.C.

1746 visited Friends in the Cape Fear section

1749 went to England and travelled over 2500 miles on horseback. Returned in 1751. It is said that an original journal of his travels still exists. Where?

Published works include 1757, An answer to the Layman's Treatise on Baptism, &c; 1762, An epistle to Friends in Great Britain.

d. March 4, 1780, probably in Perquimans County, N. C., aged about 65 years.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:240

Weeks, So. Qu. and Slavery, 141

Nicholson, Thos., The Journal of

Xerox copy H.C. Lib - reprint from Publ. of So. Hist Assoc
Vol 4, no 3, 4, 5 - 1900.

NICHOLSON, Thomas (1764?-1823)

Thomas Nicholson, the son of James and Mary Nicholson of Cartgate in Cumberland, was born about the year 1764(1).

He was a mariner of Whitehaven in Cumberland(2) and was married in 1793 to Betty Sutton (1769-1834 qv) of Scotby in Cumberland(3); there were eight children(4). About 1800 he left the sea and went into business as a flour merchant at Whitehaven(5).

"In his outward concerns he was a man of strict uprightness and integrity, punctual and honorable in all his dealings, and feelingly compassionate towards those in distress. These qualifications, combined with his humility and unaffected simplicity, gained him the love and respect of all with whom he was acquainted."(6).

Thomas Nicholson of Springfield in the parish of Egremont near Whitehaven died on 22 July 1823, at the age of fifty nine(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 59 at death. His birth is not traced in Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births Digest
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Wigton on 23 November 1793: he is described as a mariner of Whitehaven, the son of James and Mary Nicholson of Cartgate; she is described as of Scotby, a spinster, the daughter of William and Betty Sutton of Scotby Wetherell in Cumberland (Cumberland & Northumberland QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births, Marriages and Burials Digests and in the Digest of Marriages as follows:-

James qv	b 4 April 1795	m 1832 Sarah Waite (1790-1841 qv)
Mary	b 12 March 1798	m 1824 George Peile
William Fletcher qv	b 22 Oct 1800	m 1830 Marianne Shorthouse (1803-1887 qv)
*Elizabeth	b 21 March 1802	d 14 Jan 1803, aged 10 months
Sarah	b 12 April 1803	m 1830 John Wigham (1781-1862 qv)
Elizabeth	b 18 Dec 1806	d 21 Aug 1807, aged 8 months
Jane	b 12 Sept 1808	m 1833 Jonathan Dodgson Carr (1807-1884 qv)
Eliza qv	b 13 Nov 1813	m 1851 John Barlow (1815-1856 qv)
- *An entry also incorrectly appears for this child dated 1801
- 5 He is described as a mariner in the birth entries for his two eldest children: for William Fletcher, born 1800, and all subsequent children he is described as a flour merchant or corn dealer
- 6 Annual Monitor 1823, pp 23-24: obituary concerned with his last illness and death
- 7 Cumberland & Northumberland QM Burials Digest: he is described as a flour merchant

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

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NICHOLSON, Timothy, 1828-1924.

b. 2 Nov. 1828, North Carolina, second s. of Josiah and Ann (White, Robinson) Nicholson.

ed. c. 1844, Quarterly Meeting Academy, Belvidere, N.C.; 1847-49, Moses Brown School, Providence, R.I.; 1922, LL.B., Earlham College.

m. 8 Nov. 1853 Sarah N. White, 4 sons, 2 dau.; d. 1865.

m. 30 Apr. 1868 Mary S. White, 2 dau.

State leader of Friends in prison reform, temperance, peace, education, and Freedmen's assistance.

1849-54, Principal, Quarterly Meeting Academy, Belvidere, N.C.

1854-58, Dir., Preparatory Dept., Haverford College.

c. 1859-61, Superintendent and Bus. Mgr., Haverford College.

1861, moved to Richmond, Ind. and opened bookstore with brother John.

Served in wide range of leadership capacities: 1862-67 and 1870-1914, Trustee, Earlham College; 1863, secretary, Ind. Y.M. Committee for Freedmen's Assistance; 1863-75, clerk, Whitewater M.M.; 1865-1923, Elder, Ind. Y.M.; 1867-1909, member Ind. Y.M. Committee on Prison Reform (secretary 1884-1909); 1868-73, Trustee State Normal School of Terre Haute [Ind.]; 1889-1908, member Board of State Charities; 1896 and 1901, president, Ind. State Conference of Charities and Corrections; 1898-death, president, Ind. Anti-Saloon League; 1904-12, clerk of Ind. Y.M.; trustee, Richmond [Ind.] Public Library.

d. 15 Sept. 1924, age 96, bur. Earlham Cemetery.

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NICHOLSON, Vincent DeWitt, 1890-1945.

b. Azalia, Ind., May 2, 1890, son of Samuel Edgar
and Rhoda Elma (Parker) Nicholson.

ed. Friends School, Baltimore, Md; A.B., Earlham College;
1910; George Washington U. Law Sch., 1911-12; LL.B.
Harvard U. Law Sch., 1916.

After graduation from Earlham solicited subscriptions
for a short while for American Friend.

1916-1917 practiced law with Stetson, Jennings and
Russell, New York

1917-1919 first executive secretary of American Friends
Service Comm., Phila.

1918-1919 drafted, took CO position and went to France
with American Red Cross to rebuild houses near Verdun.

1920 m. Rebecca Carter on May 8. children: Carolyn,
John Edgar, Francis Tim, Christopher.

1920-1934 member of Phila. law firm Taylor, Robey,
Hoar and Nicholson.

1926 organized with wife and three other couples Chestnut
Hill Friends Mtg., first "United" meeting in Phila.

1935 attorney in Washington in a New Deal agency.

1935-1941 assoc. solicitor in charge of Rural Electrification,
Wash., D.C.

July 1, 1941 Office of the Solicitor, Dept. of Agr.

June 6, 1942-1945 first deputy adminstr. of Rural
Electrification Administration.

NICHOLSON, William Fletcher (1867-1955) 2

William Fletcher Nicholson, the only son of Herbert Nicholson (1841-1926 qv) and his wife Sarah (born Walker, 1839?-1898 qv), was born at Hayesville, Ontario, Canada, on 14 November 1867. He was educated at Bootham School, York, from 1882 to 1885.

On leaving school he entered the teaching profession and became an apprentice at Ackworth School from 1885 to 1888; during his apprenticeship he spent two years at the Flounders Institute and then in 1894 he took a London degree in Arts from Dalton Hall, Manchester. From 1894 to 1897 he was on the staff of Oliver's Mount School at Scarborough, after which he joined the staff of Newtown School, Waterford in Ireland from 1897 to 1900. He then returned to Ackworth as senior master from 1900 to 1917; while there he served as clerk to Pontefract Monthly Meeting for six years and as quarterly meeting clerk from 1915 to 1917.

He was married in 1901 to Eliza Marion McCurdy (1874?-1954 qv) of Waterford(1) and there were three children(2).

In 1917 he was appointed Recording Clerk of London Yearly Meeting, a position which he held until 1937. His period of office saw the move of the Society from its headquarters in Devonshire House to Friends House, the All Friends Conference in 1920 and the revision of Christian Discipline. During the first world war he was threatened with imprisonment when Meeting for Sufferings refused to post up a list of employees for conscription purposes. He was instrumental in starting Friends House Evening Meetings and was also chairman of the week-day lunch-hour meetings at Friends House. He served the Society on many central committees(3). In politics he was an active supporter in his early days of the Independent Labour Party and later of the Labour Party.

In the year of his retirement his address to the Friends Historical Society on "Some Changes in London Yearly Meeting, 1917-1937" contained some typically humorous touches. The Yearly Meeting minute recording his retirement spoke of the "gracious and fatherly way in which William Nicholson has always carried out the duties of his office. These qualities have endeared him to us all, and we take leave of him with thoughts of deepest affection."

During his retirement William Nicholson was a valued member of Jordans Meeting and had time to enjoy his hobbies of reading and botany. In 1937 he once more represented the Society in a public capacity, when he was among the Friends appointed to present an address to King George the Sixth on his accession to the throne.

William Fletcher Nicholson of Tramore, Jordans in Buckinghamshire, died on 16 March 1955, at the age of eighty seven(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

The Friend vol 113 (1955) pp 295-6

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 74 (1955) pp 66-67

Bootham School Register 1935, p 287

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 The Friend 12 July 1901, p 466: 4 July at Waterford Presbyterian Chapel, William F.Nicholson, B.A., of Ackworth, son of Herbert Nicholson of Sunderland, to Eliza Marion McCurdy, daughter of Robert McCurdy of Lower Newtown, Waterford
- 2 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages and given in the Bootham School Register 1935, p 287 as follows:-

Harold William qv	b 11 Jun 1902	m 1934 Mary Grace Smith NM (1906-1971 qv)
*Norman Crawford	b 5 May 1906	
Kenneth Fletcher qv	b 1 Jan 1910	m 1949 Annis Bowman Strong (1921-)
- *No marriage traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1963
- 3 Typescript Committee Lists, Friends House Library:-

Meeting for Sufferings	- 1918-1938
Agenda	- 1937-1940
Allotments	- 1930-1937
American ministers	
visiting England	- 1917-1944
Colonial	- 1921-1927
Committee on Clerks	- 1938-1940
Faith & Order	- 1918-1935
FSC	- 1927-1937
Institute	- 1928 or earlier - 1937/8
Library	- 1917-1944
Peace	- 1939-1941
Premises (Devonshire Hse)	- 1920
War Victims Relief (1914)	- 1917-1924
- 4 Digest of Deaths: he is described as Recording Clerk (retired)

SEE ALSO:-

Testimony of Jordans MM in Yearly Meeting Proceedings 1956, p 157,
which adds nothing to the information given above

J Friends Hist Soc vol 34, pp 59-69: London Yearly Meeting Recollections
Incidental reference in J Friends Hist Soc vol 15, p 46

Harold W Nicholson's date of birth is from The Friend ns vol 42 (1902) p 430

NICHOLSON, William Fletcher (1867-1955)

William F. Nicholson was born at Hayesville, Ontario, Canada, on 14 November 1867, of Quaker parents. He was educated at Bootham and on leaving school became first an apprentice and then a teacher at Ackworth, studying meanwhile at the Flounders Institute for his London B.A. which he took in 1894 after a year at Dalton Hall, Manchester.

He taught at Oliver's Mount School, Scarborough and at Newtown School Waterford, returning to Ackworth as senior master in 1900. He remained there until 1917 when he was appointed Recording Clerk, a position which he held for 20 years. On retiring he settled at Jordans where he lived until his death on 16 March 1955 at the age of 87.

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NICHOLSON, William Fletcher, 1867-1955

m., 1901, Eliza Marion McCurdy. 3 sons.

The Friend (London), 113(1955):295

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NICHOLSON, William Hopkins, 1827-1908.

b. 30 Sept. 1827, near Haddonfield, N.J., s. of Samuel and Rebecca M. (Hopkins) Nicholson.

ed. at Haverford College, Junior class, 1844-45. He left because the institution closed temporarily.

m. Sarah Whitall, 1855. (1833-1886.)

Glass Manufacturer. Farmer.

Member of the Historical Society of N.J. Member of American Academy of Political and Social Science. Member of Civil Service Reform Association. Member of National Committee of the Prohibition Party.

d. 5 or 6 Nov. 1908, near Haddonfield, N.J., aged 81.

Matriculate Catalogue, Haverford College, pl 41.

American Friend, 15(1908):843/

NICKALLS, Elizabeth (1728?-1791) after 1751 Elgar

[Elizabeth Nickalls, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1981) traced, was married in 1751 to Thomas Elgar (-1769 qv).

See ELGAR, Elizabeth (1728?-1791) born Nickalls]

NICKOLS, Rachell (1660-1735) born Round
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see NICHOLS, Rachell (1660-1735) born Round
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NICKSON, Mary (1704?-1776) after 1721 Gandy

[Mary Nickson, details of whose parentage are not at present (1985) traced, was married in 1721 to John Gandy (1699/1700-1765 qv) of Warrington in Lancashire.

See GANDY, Mary (1704?-1776) born Nickson]

NICOLLS, Alicia Sarah (1810?-1891) after 1847 Ashworth

[Alicia Sarah Nicolls, daughter of Major General Edward Nicolls of Stoke Newington near London, was married in 1847 to Thomas Ashworth (1802-1870 qv).]

See ASHWORTH, Alicia Sarah (1810?-1891) born Nicolls]

NICOLLS, Alicia Sarah (1810-1891) after 1847 Ashworth

[Alicia Sarah Nicolls, daughter of Major General and Lady Nicolls of Blackheath, was married in 1847 to Thomas Ashworth (1802-1870 qv).]

See ASHWORTH, Alicia Sarah (1810-1891) born Nicolls]

NIELD, Lydia (1796-1859) born Hargreaves

Lydia Nield daughter of William and Rachel Hargreaves of Sheffield and widow of Ralph Nield, late of Warrington, was born 9 February 1796.

She first appeared in the ministry in 1824; her communications though frequent were brief and were to the comfort and edification of the hearers.

After the death of her father whose comfort and happiness had been the great object of her care, she was able to devote more time to the Society. For several years as a member of the Ackworth School Committee she gave up much of her time to its interests, staying in the school for weeks together.

Apart from visiting meetings in Scotland, the Midland Counties and Ireland she did not frequently travel as a minister. Ten months continuous occupation amongst Friends in Ireland so seriously affected her health that she never fully recovered from its effects. While at Whitby for the benefit of sea-air she was seized with apoplexy and died 11 October 1859 in her 64th year of age and was interred in Friends Burial Ground at Whitby. A recorded minister 31 years.

NIESSEN, Gertrud Deriks (1629?-1687) aftw. van Loseveld, aftw. Crisp

[Gertrud Deriks (Dericks, Derils, Derricks, Dirrecks), sometimes known as Gertrud Diriks Kiesen or Niessen, was married in to Adrian van Loseveld, and in 1685 to Stephen Crisp.

Gertrud
see CRISP, Stephen (1629?-1687) formerly van Loseveld,
born Deriks]

Гертруд Дирикс (Дерикс, Дерилс, Деррикс, Дириекс),
известна под именем Гертруд Дирикс Кайзен или Ниессен (1629?-1687)
see Стивен Крісп (Крісп, ван Ловелд, ван Ловелд, Дерікс) родичи.

NIGHTINGALE, Edward

Edward Nightingale was a merchant living in Ousegate, York. At this time he seems to be in good esteem. Later he joined the Separatists in York. In 1675 he consigned a box to George Fox at Swarthmoor Hall, the carriage of which from Lancaster cost two-pence (Swarth. Account Book, p.243 see p.564).

Suff

William Dewsberry, 1836, p.316

FQH 1692, 'Friends in York and Neighbourhood in the Olden Time'

Rowntree: Hist. of Yorkshire QM c.1900, p.7 etc.

Note by N. Penney in G. Fox, Short Journal, 1925, p.355

NIPPER, Mary (1806-1906) after 1876 Ricketts, born Frank

[Mary Frank, daughter of Arnee Frank (1766-1856 qv) and his second wife Hannah (born Benwell, 1775-1856 qv) of Bristol, was married in 1860 to William Nipper. After his death she married in 1876 George F.Ricketts.

See RICKETTS, Mary (1806-1906) formerly Nipper, born Frank]

NISBET, Janet (1845-1916) after 1856 Erskine

[Janet Nisbet, daughter of
was married in 1856 to Donald S. Erskine.

see ERSKINE, Janet (1845-1916) born Nisbet]

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NITOBE, Inazo Ota, 1862-1933

b. Sept. 1, 1862 at Morioka, Japan (N.E.)

ed. taught by M.M.Scott of Kentucky.

1877, Completed course at Sapporo Agricultural College on the island of Hokkaido.

c.1880 became a Christian and entered Tokyo University.

1884 came to the United States for further study at Midwell College, Pa., Johns Hopkins Univ. in Baltimore where he joined Friends. Also studied 3 years in Germany.

1891, m., Mary P. Elkinton. 1 child, died young.

First position was as professor at Sapporo College. Then he went into government work and was for a time governor general of Formosa, then professor at Kyoto Imperial University and president of Women's Christian College. His most important post was deputy director of the League of Nations at Geneva.

1927 Made a member of the House of Peers in Japan. Also was editor of newspapers.

Author, Bushido, the soul of Japan; A Japanese view of Quakerism, and many papers on Japanese American relations.

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NITTOBE, Inazo Ota, 1862-1933

page 2.

d. Oct. 15, 1933 at Victoria, B.C., Canada, aged
71 years.

His strong feeling of nationalism made it difficult for him to maintain his Christian peace testimony. In 1952 the government of Japan issued a commemorative stamp with his portrait.

Kitasawa, The life of Dr. Nitobe

Thorne, the story of Ianzo and Mary P. Elkinton Nitobe

The Friend (London), 61(1921):695 (portrait); 70 (1930): 574 (portrait)

Bul., Frds. Hist Soc., 43:56

WBE:

NIXON, Barnaby, 1752-1807

b. about I, 1752 in Perquimans County, N.C.,
son of Phineas and Mary Nixon.

m., 1778, Sarah Hunnicutt and removed to the
area of Burleigh Meeting in Virginia.

| 1782 appeared as a minister. Travelled in No.
Carolina and was opposed to slavery. Visited in
Baltimore and Philadelphia during times of yellow
fever.

1806 attended his own yearly meeting.

d. Feb. 13, 1808 of a cancer of the eye which
caused him much suffering. He died at Burleigh (?), aged
55 years.

Friends, biog., 6

Comly, Frds. Misc., XII:97

Piety pro., 12th part, 16

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:241

Nixon, Extracts from the manuscript writings of

WBE:
(prepared by BB)

NIXON, Francis, 1735-

b. 2 Feb 1735, son of Zachariah and Elisabeth Nixon.

1761-71 Clerk, North Carolina Y. Mtg.

1763 Reported married to Keziah Newby.

1772 Requested certificate to Friends in Rhode Island.

Preceding information inferred from records in Hinshaw.

Elliott, Errol T., Qu. on the Am. Frontier, 396

Hinshaw, Ency. of Am. Qu. Genealogy, 1:14,65

WBE:

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NIXON, Zacheriah, -1739

Lived at Little River, Perquimans County, N.C.

A minister.

1734, visited New England once and also the Yearly Meeting at Burlington, N.J. Often visited the nearer meetings in Virginia. He was well qualified for his ministry and helpful in matters of discipline.

d. Oct. 12, 1739 in Perquimans County, N.C. aged about 56 years.

John Smith's Ms., 2:562

NOAKE, Kate (-1952?) after 1918 Gregory

(Kate Noake, daughter of Henry G.Noake, was married in 1918 to Harold Ingle Gregory (1882-1937 qv).

See GREGORY, Kate (-1952?) born Noake)

NOBLE, Emma Caroline (1886-1956) born

Emma Caroline Noble was born on 21 March 1886 at Weymouth, one of a large family. At the age of 19, after a public confession of faith, she became a member of the Methodist Church.

In 1908 she married William Noble and went to live in Swindon. They had two children.

In 1921 she was elected the first woman Councillor of Swindon Town Council, and later became an Alderman. At the age of 35 she went to study for two years at Ruskin College. While in Oxford she came into contact with Friends through discussion groups held by Henry T. and Lucy B. Gillett, and started attending Meetings in 1926; and later was accepted into membership.

As a result of the exercise of Oxford Meetings at that time about the plight of the South Wales Miners, Emma Noble went to South Wales, and from 1926 to 1945 she and her husband carried out many schemes in the mining valleys: the Maes-yr-Haf Settlement, weaving and handicraft industries, women's meetings, seaside holiday organisation, etc.

In 1951 Emma and William Noble moved to Eastbourne. She held office as an Elder

She died on 27 October 1956

Testimony of Lewes & Chichester M.M.in Y.M.Proc.1957, p.180

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NOBLE, Josephine, 1912-1972.

b. 6 Feb. 1912, England; dau. Joseph William and Gertrude Noble.

ed. at home by governesses; from age seven to seventeen was not permitted to read more than the minimum amount for fear of straining her short-sighted eyes; 1939, studied home economics at Columbia University.

Jan. 1939-Sept. 1939, visited United States; was studying in New York City for first five months; then travelled in the States, including the far west.

Sept. 1939, returned to England at outbreak of World War II; Dec. 1939, joined Friends Relief Service and began work in a training camp at Carclew, Cornwall; March 1940-Spring 1942, was in Spiceland where she taught conscientious objectors how to cook; Until Aug. 1946, worked for F.R.S. with evacuees, mainly at a large settlement for mothers and children at Filey, Yorkshire, and also at other posts in England.

Aug. 1946-30 June 1947, worked for F.R.S. in France; July 1947-15 Dec. 1957, lived and worked at Friends Centre, Paris; was "mainstay" of Centre; while there joined Friends as member of France Yearly Meeting; never transferred membership to England.

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NOBLE, Josephine, 1912-1972, page 2.

1957, left France to return to England to take care of family needs; 1960, joined Friends Service Council staff in London, as a field secretary; Secretary of North Africa Advisory Group, West Africa Group, and the Jordan and Lebanon Committee; travelled in Morocco, Algeria, the Congo, Nigeria, and the Middle East.

Spoke fluent French.

d. 30 June 1972, Friends House, London, on day of her retirement.

The Friend (London) 130:829.

Quaker Monthly, Nov. 1972, vol. 51, p. 11 (portrait).

Personnel File, Friends Service Committee, Phila.

Information from Charles Read, F.S.C., Phila.

Kathleen Noble was born in Ealing, we have (1978) no knowledge of her early life. She married Walter Noble in about the early thirties and they moved to Ruislip shortly after their marriage. Before the war she was secretary of the Buddhist Society and during this period she became interested in the Society of Friends and in the Friends Fellowship of Healing.

She joined the Society in Uxbridge at some time prior to 1941⁽¹⁾ and was a loved and respected member of the meeting, she was also a well known contributor to The Friend. In about 1974/5 (2) she and her husband moved to take up the wardenship of the new Bray D'Oyley Home at East House, Adderbury, where they spent a busy year before retiring to Banbury.(3)

In Middlesex she was involved for eleven years in the work of the Citizens Advice Bureau, she was a marriage guidance counsellor and with Dr. E. Graham Howe set up the Open Way Clinic, where people could obtain psychiatric help at very low cost. From this she developed clubs for mental ~~health~~ hospital patients, of which the Tuesday club for ex mental hospital patients continues (in Feb. 1978) to thrive. She also built up the youth voluntary service in Hillingdon and encouraged young people to help older people in all sorts of ways.

At Banbury she continued her counselling work and died in hospital after a short illness on January 26, 1978. No age is given.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol. 136 (1978) p. 220

REFERENCES & NOTES

1. The first appearance so far (1978) traced is at Uxbridge. London & Middlesex QM printed list of members for 1941 records her as a member with husband N/M and son Christopher John, born 1935.
2. The same list for 1974 records her still as member at Uxbridge.
3. Banbury MM printed list of members for 1976 records her as a member at Banbury,

NOBLE, Mary (1722-1779) aftw. Wetherill

[Mary Noble was the daughter of Joseph Noble
and his wife
(nee) She was married in
1743 to Samuel Wetherill of Burlington County

see WETHERILL, Mary (1722-1779) born Noble]

WBE:

NOBLE, William, c.1842-1936

b. c.1842 at City Road, London, England.

Went to sea and later was employed at Woolwich Arsenal.

Took the temperance pledge and later visited U.S.A. in the interest of this cause. He was a powerful speaker. Founder of the Blue Ribbon total abstinence movement.

c. 1890 became a Friend. During the first World War he found it difficult to maintain his peace views.

Worked also for Adult Schools in Birmingham. Decrease in public intemperance is in part owing to his efforts.

d. May 27, 1936 in Birmingham, aged 94.

The Friend (London), 95 (1936):534 (portrait)

NOBLE, William Matthew (1885-1959)

William Noble was born in Swindon on 7 August 1885. From the age of 3 years he was brought up in the home of his grandfather in Weymouth amidst an active Methodist family. In 1906 he became an engineer in the Great Western Railway works at Swindon, and soon became interested in Trade union affairs. By the age of 27, he was District President of his Union and was held in high esteem both by his fellow workers and their employers.

Through his association with the Adult School in Swindon, and a year during which William Noble and his wife, Emma, were at Ruskin College, Oxford, they came in touch with Friends and eventually into membership of the Society.

In the General Strike of 1926 he exercised a powerful conciliatory influence, and the tragic plight of miners and their families due to unemployment following the strike, came as a challenge and a call to service in the Rhondda Valley. Following a deep religious experience he decided to renounce all his interests in Swindon and devote his time to the task of bringing hope to his fellow men in South Wales.

His mission fulfilled, he moved to Oxford and later to Eastbourne where his wife died.

William Noble was a valued member of an organisation known as the Employment Fellowship, and it was through this association that he became largely instrumental in establishing the Finsbury Employment Scheme for the elderly in 1951 with the co-operation of the Finsbury Borough Council.

In 1957 he married Irene Gwyne who had for many years been closely associated with his work in Wales and the Finsbury Scheme.

Underlying his many qualities and practical efficiency was the spirit of simplicity and humility. Many were unaware that he had been honoured with the MBE and M.A.

He died on 15 December 1959

Principal source

Testimony of Lewes & Chichester MM in YM Proc. 1961, p.183

NOCK, Elizabeth (1768-1842) ✓

Elizabeth Nock was the daughter of Tobias and Katherine Nock of Rowley Regis, near Dudley and was born there on November 10th 1768. Her parents belonged to the established church, but in 1790 she and her father joined the Society of Friends.

She was acknowledged a minister in 1805. During the later years of her life she was mostly at home owing to increasing weakness and died on June 5th 1842, at Dudley, where she was buried, aged about 74.

Testimony of Warwickshire North M.M. in
Testimonies, 1843, p.36

WBE:

Additional reference

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NOCK, Elizabeth, 1768-1842

An. Mon. (N.S.) 1 (1843):60

NOCKOLDS, Humphrey

(- 1963/4)

Humphrey Nockolds was principal medical officer of the Friends Ambulance Unit in the first world war. After the war he was appointed in charge of the Queen Alexandra Hospital at Lewisham which under his care was transformed. The hospital did a great work at Dunkirk in the second world war. He worked quietly and efficiently under persistent bombardment, receiving, we do not know when, the Croix de Guerre from the French Government and the D.S.O. from the British. He married one of the hospital VAD's, Jacqueline Wilson and there were two children of the marriage.

He retired from the hospital at around the end of the fifties and the obituary in The Friend of January 24, 1964 records that 'he died recently at Blackheath'. He was presumably an anglican. We have no record of his age,

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend Vol. 122 (1964) p. 92

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WBE:

NODAL, John Howard, 1831-1909

b. September, 1831 at Ardwick, Manchester, Eng.

ed. 1841-45 Ackworth School

Employed in the Intelligence Department of the
old Electric Tel. Co.

Lived at The Grange, Heaton Moor, near Stockport,
near Manchester.

1864 became a journalist and wrote for The Sphinx,
Manchester City News, County Notes, etc.

1889 published Bibliography of Ackworth School.

He was the author of publications relating to dialect.
Also served ten years on the staff of the Saturday
Review.

d. Nov. 13, 1909 at Heaton Moor, aged 78 years.

An. Mon. (N.S.), 98 (1911):123

Jos, Smith's Cat., Sup., 257

Nodal, Bibliog. of Ackworth, 24

Frds. Hist. Lib., Swarth., BX 7628

NORFOLK, Martha (1704/5-1728) after 1723 Benwell

Martha Norfolk the daughter of John Norfolk (-)

NODAL, Louisa (1814-1900) formerly Appleby born Maw

Louisa Maw was born at Gainsborough on 7 May 1814, the second daughter of John and Margaret Maw. Her father and grandfather were mustard manufacturers, carrying on their business in proximity to the Old Hall of Gainsborough and using part of the fine old building as a storeroom. Louisa had happy memories of her childhood. In 1826 he was sent to Ackworth School, where she spent a year and a half. Her lively humour lightened the recollections of the severe discipline of those days. She both read and wrote well. On leaving school she became much interested in the cause of emancipation and also took an active part in the work of the Bible Society.

In 1839 she was married to Joshua Appleby, tea dealer of Manchester. After various ups and downs, they spent three years in Wisconsin, but had to return to England because of her husband's ill-health, and went back to Manchester. Her husband died in 1866, but she kept the home together for her children. In 1875 she married John Nodal of Sale, but after five years was again left a widow. She later moved to Birmingham, and later still to Sibford Gower, where she enjoyed the natural beauty and peace of the country and where she was able to attend Meeting. In the last year of her life her physical powers failed, but her mind was alert and she enjoyed learning hymns. Her last weeks were spent in patient trustfulness and her reticence in speaking of her faith was broken down and she spoke freely of her trust in Christ. She was a person of great sweetness and gentleness.

She died on 2 June 1900 at the age of 86.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual monitor 1902 p.72

NORLIND, Emilia Fogelklou (1878-1972).

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See FOGELKLOU, Emilia, afterwards Norlind (1878-1972).

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NORLIND, Emilia Maria (1878 - 1972) b. Fogelklou.

Emilia [Fogelklou] Norlind was one of a worshipping group in the thirties out of which Sweden Yearly Meeting grew.

She was the first Swedish woman to obtain a degree in Theology, in 1909, she became widely known for writing and teaching on a wide range of religious, philosophical and other subjects. She was a national figure in the Swedish peace movement.

She died in Sweden at the end of September 1972 at the age of 94.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol 130 (1972) p. 1212

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NORMAN, David William

(1884 - 1963)

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David Norman was born on July 27, 1884 in Kennington, London, of Baptist parents. We know nothing of his early life but he came into contact with Friends and began to attend Wanstead meeting. He was on the point of applying for membership of the Society when the first world war broke out and he delayed making his application until after his court-martial. He was sentenced to imprisonment first at Wormwood Scrubbs and then at Dartmoor and while suffering imprisonment was admitted into membership of the Society in 1917. He was released in 1918 to work in a pacifist agricultural community at Stanford-le-Hope under Reginald Sorensen. In 1931 he married Helen Rosina Rowe (1) having been divorced from his first wife, Beatrice Mary (b. Follows). With Helen he served Wanstead meeting in all sorts of ways, as an elder of the Monthly Meeting for thirty years, for twenty years as representative to Six Weeks Meeting and according to the obituary as clerk of Ratcliff and Barking MM, but no record has been found of that service.(2) He and Helen gave hospitality to and concerned themselves with the needs of refugees and German prisoners of war and later paid visits to these in Germany. He was a greatly valued but also a very humble member of Wanstead meeting. For nearly forty years he was a member of London & Middlesex QM Extension Committee in which service Helen joined him for many of those years. In 1929 he was appointed to the Visitation Sub-Cttee, and later served as its convenor. During those years, which covered the second world war, he travelled hundreds of miles, by public transport, visiting every meeting in London and new groups of Friends, some of which developed into established meetings. He also served on the Home Service Committee.(3)

He died on September 13, 1963 aged 79.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Ratcliff & Barking MM

YM Procs 1964 p. 195

The Friend Vol. 121 (1963) p. 1310

REFERENCES & NOTES

1. Marriage Digest. The marriage took place on September 12, 1931 at Wanstead FMH. She was described as spinster, schoolteacher of Leytonstone. He as journeyman butcher.
2. Index of Clerks - Friends Ho. Library. No record is contained in this index.
3. Typescript Committee Index - Friends Ho. Library.

NORMAN, Matilda (1803-1869) after 1830 Sheppard

[Matilda Norman, daughter of John Norman (-)
and his wife Philippa (born _____ in 1830 to William Sheppard

NORMAN, Martha (1873? - 1965)

NORMAN, James (-1747)

We have no details of the life of Martha Norman who was born in 1976, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present traced(1), made his first appearance in the records of the Society when he attended Dorset Quarterly Meeting from Chardminster in 1705. He was probably admitted into membership shortly before, as children were born to James and Mary Norman both before and after their accession to Quakerism. There are records of five children in all(2).

He died at Chardminster on 27.ix.(November) 1747(3).
He died on August 19, 1775, aged 92.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend Vol. 123 (1965) p. 109
Norman Penney, My Ancestors, London 1920, pp 15-16

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 His age at death is not given. He was aged 92 at death.
- 2 Given in Norman Penney, op cit, pp 15-16 as follows:-
 - Ralph qv who in 1714 Mary Vallis, born Priest
 - Sarah
 - Maryand listed in Dorset & Hants QM Births Digest as follows:-
 - Joan b 18 v (July) 1706 no marriage recorded to 1770
 - James b 25 viii (Oct) 1708 no marriage recorded to 1770
- 3 Dorset & Hants QM Burials Digest: he is described as of Chardminster

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

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NORMAN, Ralph (ante 1755)

Ralph Norman, the son of James Norman (-1747 qv) and his wife Mary of Charlminster in Dorset, was born there some time before 1705(1). He left the place of his childhood and settled at Poole, where he became a clockmaker. In 1714 he married Mary, the widow of William Wallis and daughter of Nathaniel Priest (-1724 qv)(2). Following his marriage it was discovered that a grave irregularity had taken place and that Ralph and Mary had been guilty of the sin of fornication. Friends laboured with them for some time, but they failed to express sorrow or regret and a public testimony of disownment was drawn up against them, although it was still hoped that they would become conscious of the sin they had committed and return to the Society.

Ralph and Mary had several children, but none of them were recorded by the Society(3) and it is to be assumed that their parents did not return to the Quaker fold. Among these children was Joanna, born about 1720, who in 1745 married George Penney II (1715-1804 qv). In 1755 Mary Norman was still living, but in poor circumstances and it is likely that she was by then a widow(4). George Penney II, acting for his wife Joanna, was one of those who came to her rescue.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Norman Penney, My Ancestors, London 1920, pp 16-18

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 He was born before his father joined the Society; see NORMAN, James (-1747)
- 2 The wedding was at Poole on 20 iv (June) 1714: he is described as a clockmaker of Poole, the son of James; she is described as a widow, the daughter of Nathaniel Priest of Alton (Dorset & Hants QM Marriages Digest)
- 3 No children are recorded in Dorset & Hants QM Births Digest, but Norman Penney, op cit p 14 gives the following:-

John	b
James	b 1715?
Joanna	b 1720?
Martha	b 1723?
Hannah	b 1728?

who m 1745 George Penney II (1715-1804 qv)
- 4 There is no record of the death of Ralph Norman

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

WBE:

NORRIS, Isaac, 1671-1735

b. September 26, 1671 in London, Eng., son of Thomas and Mary (Moore) Norris.

1678 his parents removed to Jamaica and died soon thereafter of either pestilence or injuries in an earthquake.

1691 Isaac came to Philadelphia, Pa. with very small means and became a successful merchant.

1707 visited England to help William Penn fight the claims of the Ford's.

1694 m. Mary Lloyd. 14 children.

1711 he felt easy to temporize on the question of granting money to the Queen saying "that not being our part, but hers." He was a member of the Assembly, twice served as acting Governor and became a large landowner.

c.1710 wrote Friendly Advice to the Inhabitants of Pennsylvania. 1711-29, CLERK, PHILA Y. MTG (A.B)

c.1716 built a splendid home on the road to Germantown, called "Fairhill". Had a considerable library. Served also as Chief Justice of Penna.

c.1722 opposed issuance of paper currency.

d. August 4, 1735 in Germantown, Pa., aged 64.

ELLIOTT QU. ON THE AM. FRONTIER, 398

Jordan, Col. Fam. of Phila., 82 (portrait)

Hirst, Qu. in Peace & War, 364

Tolles, Meeting Huse & Counting House, Index

Sharpless, Qu. Exp't in Gov't, 1:84

Jos. Smith's Cat., Sup. 257

WBE:

NORRIS, Isaac, (Jr.), 1701-1766

b. December 3, 1701 at Phila. Pa., son of
Isaac and Mary (Lloyd) Norris.

ed. received excellent classical education and
could read and write French, Latin and some Hebrew.

Entered mercantile business with his father.

1739, m., Sarah Logan. 4 children, only one lived.

1727 began a career in state affairs with membership on the Common Council of Philadelphia. In 1734 entered career in state legislature where he headed what became known as the "Quaker" party and opposed all warlike measures. In 1751 he became Speaker of the House and held the post until near his death in 1766.

1743 retired from business and took up residence at "Fairhill". He had a fine library a large portion of which eventually went to Dickinson College.

Norris suggested the inscription which was put on the State House bell "Proclaim liberty throughout the land and to all the inhabitants thereof."

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d. September 13, 1766 "Fairhill", Phila. Pa., aged about 64 years.

* These dates are converted from those noted in WBE manuscript as per instructions. However, Jordan gives them as -b.Oct. 3, 1701 - d.July 13, 1766

Jordan. Col. Fam. of Phila., 84-85
Tolles, Meeting House & Counting House, Index
Sharpless, Qu. Exp't in Gov't, 2:11

WBE:

NORRIS, John Saurin, c.1812-1882

b. c.1812

1862 wrote The early Friends (or Quakers) in Maryland.

d. Dec. 22, 1882 in Baltimore, Maryland, in his 70th year.

Frd's. Intel., 39(1883):763

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:241

NORRIS, William Gregory (1829-1911)

William Gregory Norris was born at Coalbrookdale in 1829, in Norris. He was educated at a school at and partly at Ackworth which he later he entered the Coalbrookdale became Managing Director and worked in 1853 he married Emma Williams Stead his philanthropic work. She died inрен of the marriage (1).

part in the work of the British and of the Guardians of the Poor and of Educational Boards of the district. in the enlargement of the Parish Church of the Bells, the establishment of the Dispensary at Iron Bridge. He was made

uper-Mare and was buried at Coalbrookdale always an active member of the Society

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 None listed in Digest of Birth Notes or in 1875 or subsequent Western QM lists of members

SEE ALSO

Ackworth old scholars assoc. rep. 1912 p.108



NORTH, Alec

(1889 ? - 1977)

Alec North was born in about the year 1889 (1) in Newbury. He was a Methodist and at the chapel there he met his future wife Nellie. They were married there in 1912.

In the first world war he registered as a conscientious objector and he worked on the land in Wiltshire, this linking with pacifists and other C.O.s. brought him into contact with Friends and he joined the Society at about this time.(2) In 1920 he began his work for Quakerism by entering the Friends House Office of the then Central Education Committee, later to become the Friends Education Council, and he stayed there until he retired in 1956. He was at first financial secretary and then in 1949 was given full responsibility for the secretarial work of F.E.C. He was never absent from a council meeting in all his thirty six years of service. He was thus concerned with all aspects of children's education in Quaker schools including religious education which was a particular interest.

He and his wife had made their home at Welwyn Garden City (3) and there he represented Friends for over twenty years on the Council of Christian Churches. He was for five years Monthly Meeting clerk and was an elder of his meeting. He was also a member of the Council of Free Churches Christian Education Committee and honorary secretary to Westhill Council. In about 1924 he took a leading part in arranging on Friends' behalf a regular series of local Sunday evening meetings which continued with an attendance of about 80, Friends and non Friends in equal proportions, until the second world war made them impossible. He also served on a number of central committees.(4) After his retirement he remained active in his meeting until well into his eighties, he had a clear and concise mind and had a constant awareness in his day-to-day life of the reality of God and of man's ability to work out this reality in the world at large.

He died at his home on July 12, 1977. aged 88.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend Vol. 135 (1977) p. 915.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. We have no date of birth, he was aged 88 at death.
2. Berks & Oxon QM printed list of members for 1917 records him as a member of Newbury 'Allowed' meeting. The obituary records that he joined soon after the war ended.
3. Bedford QM printed list of members for 1925 records them as living at Welwyn Garden City.
4. Typescript Committee Index - Friends House Library. This records his membership of central committee in varying capacities as follows:-

Council of Internation Service.	1923 - 1925
Institute Committee	1926 - 1931
Literature Committee	1934 - 1937
Premises Committee	1932 - 1936

Book Centre Management Committee 1944 - 1947. Friends Service Council
Christian Discipline Pts I & II 1955 - 1959. (1957 - 1973.

WBE:

NORTH, Ann or Anne

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a minister, who preached boldly in London.

Besse, 1:484

John Smith's Ms. 2:567

NORTH, Mary (1668?-1756) after 1702 Roake

(Mary North, details of whose birth and parentage are at present (1975) unknown, was married in 1702 to John Roake.

See ROAKE, Mary (1668?-1756) born North)

WBE:

NORTH, Edgerton Grant

1942 wrote Seventy-five years of Brooklyn
Friends School...

Frds. Hist. Lib., Swarth., BX 7628

NORTH, Joseph (1642?-1732/3)

Joseph North, the son of Robert North of Eaton in Buckinghamshire, was born about the year 1642(1). He was a broadweaver of Westbury Street in Middlesex(2) who came into the Society by conviction and was married in 1667 to Rebecca Burdett(3); there were eight children(4).

Rebecca North died in childbirth in 1681(5) and in 1683 he married Elizabeth Gilbert of Gracechurch Street, London(6); there were four children of the second marriage(7).

Elizabeth North died in 1708(8) and Joseph North died on 25.xi.1732 (i.e. January 1732/3) at the age of ninety(9).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 90 at death
- 2 He is so described in his second marriage entry, note 6
- 3 The wedding was at Westbury Street on 24.iv.(June)1667: they are both described as of Stepney and no further details are given (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in London & Middlesex QM Births and Burials Digests as follows:-

female child Joseph	b 3 v (July)1669	d 5 ii (April)1668 d 2 xi 1670 (i.e. Jan 1670/1)
*Joseph	b 17 i (March)1670/1	d 31 xi 1722 (i.e. Jan 1722/3) aged 51
*Sarah Rebeckah	b 11 ix (Nov)1672 b 18 ix (Nov)1674	d 14 xii 1680 (i.e. Feb 1680/1) aged 6
Elizabeth	b 22 iii (May)1677	died?
Mary qv	b 22 iii (May)1677	m 1702 John Roake/ (1668-1744 qv) d 30 vi (Aug) 1680
unnamed child		
*No marriages traced in London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest to 1740		
- 5 London & Middlesex QM Burials Digest: she died 22 viii (Oct)1681, aged 35
- 6 The wedding was at Devonshire House on 18 viii (October)1683: he is described as a broadweaver of Westbury Street, Middlesex, the son of Robert North of Eaton in Buckinghamshire; she is described as of Gracechurch Street, London, the daughter of Henry Gilbert of Wishaw in Warwickshire (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

7 Listed in London & Middlesex QM Births and Marriages Digests as follows:-

*Benjamin	b 2 vii (Sept) 1684	
Elizabeth	b 28 iii (May) 1687 or 20 ii (April) 1687	m 1708 Jonathan Harrison
Ann	b 8 ii (April) 1689	m 1715 John Thompson
*Rebecca	b 29 vii (Sept) 1693	

*No marriages traced in London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest to 1770

8 London & Middlesex QM Burials Digest: she died 20 x (Dec) 1708,
aged 55

9 London & Middlesex QM Burials Digest: no description of him is given

SEE ALSO:-

Incidental reference in J Friends Hist Soc vol 5, p 181

NORTH, Mary (1677-1756) after 1702 Roake

[Mary North, twin daughter of Joseph (1642?-1732/3 qv) and Rebecca (born Burdett) North of Spitalfields, London, was married in 1702 to John Roake (1668-1744 qv).]

see ROAKE, Mary (1677-1756) born North]

WBE:

NORTHCOTT, Thomas

Bookseller of George-yard (London)

1684 Succeeded Thomas Hawkins as publisher of Friends' books, a position which he held until close to the end of the century.

1697 Advertisement - the Bookseller to the Reader. Printed over 70 works for Friends, including first edition of G. Fox's Journal and Penn's Fruits of Solitude.

The Friend (Phila.), 16(1843):397

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:241

Mortimer, Biog. Notices of Printers... 118

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NORTON, Carolina (1798-1875) born Harris

Carolina Harris, the youngest daughter of Richard Harris (1751-1815 qv) and his wife Jane (born Peckover, 1756-1848 qv) of Walworth, was born there on 22 November 1798(1). She was from childhood of a religious turn of mind and early felt that she should give up her life to the service of God, feeling then, as she continued to feel to the end of her days, that without Him she was altogether lost and helpless.

She was recorded a minister by Southwark Monthly Meeting in 1826 and in 1830 she visited, with Elizabeth Dudley (1779-1849 qv) the meetings of Cambridge & Huntingdon Quarterly Meeting. Throughout her life she was a loving and sympathising friend, her ministry was clear and comforting, especially to those in distress and her services among her own family were greatly appreciated. "Her ministry was deep and fervent, full of Gospel truth; the one great theme, on which she delighted to dwell, being the love of God to a fallen world, as manifested in the gift of his only begotten Son. . . . Timid and loving, she clung to her Lord as her only refuge and strength." (Testimony)

In 1835, in her thirty seventh year, she was married to Thomas Norton (1797-1868 qv), but the marriage was apparently childless(2). She later travelled once into Ireland and several times into various parts of England, visiting the families of Friends.

Caroline Norton of Peckham Rye near London died on 28 January 1875, at the age of seventy six(3).

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Annual Monitor 1876, pp 143-144

Testimony of Southwark MM in Yearly Meeting Proceedings 1875, p xviii

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: her father is described as a cornfactor
- 2 For marriage see NORTON, Thomas (1797-1868)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Thomas

SEE ALSO:-

Incidental references in J Friends Hist Soc vol 13, p 163; vol 29, p 28

NORTON, Carolina (1798-1875) born Harris

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Carolina Harris was born in 1798, the daughter of Richard and Jane Harris, of Walworth. During her early years she was desirous of giving herself up to the service of her Lord, feeling then, as she continued to feel to the end of her days, that without Him she was altogether lost and helpless.

She was recorded a minister by Southwark Monthly Meeting in 1826, and in 1830 she visited, with Elizabeth Dudley, the meetings of Cambridge and Huntingdon Quarterly Meeting.

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In her thirty-seventh year she married Thomas Norton, and later travelled once into Ireland and several times into various parts of England, visiting the families of Friends.

'Her ministry was deep and fervent, full of Gospel truth; the one great theme, on which she delighted to dwell, being the love of God to a fallen world, as manifested in the gift of his only begotten Son.' 'Timid and loving, she clung to her Lord as her only refuge and strength.'

She died 28 January 1875.

Testimony of Southwark MM in YM Proc. 1875, p.xviii

WBE:

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NORTON, Catherine, nee McLaughlin (?)

ed. at Londonderry, Ire.

16 years of age went to Barbadoes.

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Became convinced and joined Friends. Returned to Ireland in 1678 for a visit. She was able to preach in the Gaelic tongue. She had her own means and did not have to make her expenses chargeable to the gospel.

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Evans, Friends in the Seventeenth Century

NORTON, Hannah (1797-1831) born Sterry

Hannah Sterry, the daughter of Benjamin Sterry (1742-1811 qv) and his wife Sarah (born) of Southwark in Surrey, was born there on 13 September 1797(1). She had an amiable and affectionate disposition which, combined with great sweetness of manner, made her generally beloved and respected. She received a guarded and religious education, possessed a well cultivated mind and showed great decision of character.

As she grew up she became increasingly aware of the importance of religion and was a reverent and regular attender at meetings for worship and discipline. She was a useful member both of civil and religious society, although she took a humble view of her own work and attainments.

She was married in 1823 to Thomas Norton (1797-1868 qv) of Barnsley and there was one child(2). Hannah Norton died in childbirth on 23 April 1831, at the age of thirty three(3).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1832, pp 35-39

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: her father is described as an oilman
- 2 For marriage and issue see NORTON, Thomas (1797-1868)
- 3 London & Middlesex QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of Thomas

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

WBE:

NORTON, Humphrey

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Lived at Durham, England and became convinced and joined Friends.

1655, preached in Essex and next year travelled in Ireland.

1656 offered to lie "body for body" if G. Fox might be released from jail.

1657 sailed with the "Woodhouse" for New England. Soon got himself imprisoned and set in irons in New Haven, Conn. for his religious views.

1658 publicly whipped, then branded with the letter "H" and then banished to Rhode Island.

Wrote To all people that speaks of an outward Baptisme, Dippers, Sprinklers, and others, &c.

1659 with John Rous and John Copeland wrote New England's Ensigne, which is an account of the sufferings of Friends in New England.

1660, in Rhode Island. At some point he seems to have "run out" from Truth and to have been disowned.

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Thomas, History of the Qu., 71

Evans, Friends in the Seventeenth Cent., 164

Penny, ed. Jour. of G. Fox, 1:441

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:241

Bowden, Hist., 1:134

John Smith's Ms. 2:569
Besse, 2:182, 187, 195, 196

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NORTON, Lydia

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Lived at Salem, Mass. and was a member of the monthly meeting there.

| An able minister.

1704 was at many meetings with Thomas Story in New England.

1716 visited Nantucket; returned several more times, the last in 1736.

1717 Made a religious visit to southern and western provinces.

John Smith's Md. 2:575

Story, Journal of the life of Thomas Story..., 327, 329
Jones, Qu. in the Am. Col., 50

NORTON, Sterry (1831-1909)

see NORTON, Thomas Sterry (1831-1909)

NORTON, Susannah (1792-1847) born Harris

Susannah Harris, the daughter of Richard and Jane Harris of Walworth near London, was born there on 4 August 1792(1). Her early life and education are not at present (1975) traced, but in 1832 she married William Norton(2) and there were two children of the marriage(3). She had a very humble view of her own attainments and, particularly later in her life, humility and love were conspicuous traits in her character. She felt herself to be surrounded with material blessings and was always ready to contribute towards the needs of others; the sick poor, widows and orphans were especially the objects of her care and sympathy.

She moved to Woodbridge in Suffolk, with her husband and only remaining child, only two years before her death, but during this short period she gained the love and esteem of all around her. In her last illness she felt she had fallen far short in her testimony for the faith which had inspired her life and endured much mental and spiritual conflict, but she died at peace at Woodbridge on 12 September 1847(4), aged fifty five.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1848 pp 98-105

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: her father is described as a seedsman
- 2 The marriage was at Southwark on 8 May 1832: he is described as a spice dealer of Peckham Rye in the county of Surrey, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Norton; she is described as the daughter of Richard and Jane Harris of Walworth (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)
- 3 Listed in London & Middlesex QM Births Digest as follows:-

William Henry	b 22 August 1835
Susanna Jane	b 16 July 1837
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of William

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

NORTON, Thomas (1767-1853)

Thomas Norton, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Norton of Shipston in Worcestershire, was born there on 19 May 1767(1). His thoughts were turned into a sombre channel by the death, while he was still a child, of a sister several years older than himself; the event made a deep impression on him, was often in his remembrance and enabled him in his youth to resist the temptations he encountered when he moved to London.

He was married in 1793 to Elizabeth Heydon(2) and there were four children(3). His conduct was always consistent with his religious profession and he was very hospitable. He greatly enjoyed entertaining Friends travelling in the ministry and was always ready to help them in any way he could.

He died at Peckham Rye on 10 December 1853, at the age of eighty six(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1855 pp 114-116

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Warwick, Leicester & Rutland QM Births Supplement 1636-1836: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 The wedding was at Peel F.M.H. on 11 December 1793: he is described as a wheelwright of Bermondsey, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Norton of Shipston in Worcestershire; she is described as the daughter of William and Ann Heydon, late of Red Lion Street, Clerkenwell (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)
- 3 Listed in London & Middlesex QM Births and Marriages Digests as follows:-

Thomas qv	b 26 May 1797	who m 1823 Hannah Sterry
William	b 8 July 1799	who m 1832 Susanna Harris
Mary Ann	b 7 June 1803	who m 1829 John Jowitt (1790-1860 qv)
Robert	b 19 Sept 1807	no marriage traced to 1877
- 4 Digest of Deaths: no description of him is given

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

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NORTON, Thomas (1797-1868)

(1767-1853, v.) (born Heydon)

Thomas Norton, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Norton of Grange Road, Bermondsey, was born there on 26 May 1797(1). He was carefully educated in the principles of the Society, to which from conviction he became warmly attached and of which from early life he was a consistent member.

He was married in 1823 to Hannah Sterry of Southwark(2), but his wife died in childbirth in 1831(3), leaving him a widower with an only son(4). He felt his bereavement keenly, but in 1835 he found happiness in his marriage with Carolina Harris (1798-1875 qv) of Newington(5); there were apparently no children of this second marriage(6).

He lived in Bermondsey until 1859, when he moved to Peckham Rye, and was a very regular attender of meetings for worship and discipline; much of his time was given up to the Lord's work and in promoting the interests of the Society. He was an elder and was frequently appointed to committees of Yearly Meeting to visit various places in the United Kingdom; he also visited Friends in the south of France and in Germany and on various occasions he accompanied ministers visiting America. He was for many years a member of the Meeting for Sufferings and also of the committee of the Friends' Tract Association, which led to frequent calls upon his time and energy. He enjoyed dispensing hospitality, not only to his friends but to those in humbler circumstances.

His sympathies were not confined to Friends. He was for a long time engaged in the service of the Bible Society, acting as secretary to the local association, and he took a warm interest in the British and Foreign School Society, giving freely of his time and means. The children of the poor of his own neighbourhood were not forgotten; he built a schoolroom for them and about two hundred boys were educated in the British System. The condition of the poor always moved him deeply and for about thirty years he was Poor Law Guardian for his native parish. In times of great distress the poor flocked to his door in large numbers and such was his humanity that they seldom went away empty handed. In his later years he became interested in the problem of freed coloured people, contributing liberally himself and inducing others to do so too.

He bore his last illness, which endured for some months, with great patience and died at Peckham Rye on 23 July 1868, at the age of seventy one(7). He was an elder.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1869, pp 108-113

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: his father is described as a wheelwright
 - 2 The wedding was at Deptford on 23 July 1823: he is described as a wheelwright of the parish of St Mary, Newington, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Norton; she is described as the daughter of Benjamin and Sarah Sterry, late of Southwark (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)
 - 3 London & Middlesex QM Burials Digest: she died on 23 April 1831, aged 33, the wife of Thomas
 - 4 Listed in London & Middlesex QM Births Digest as follows:-
Thomas Sterry qv b 4 April 1831 ~~Wife died 1833~~
 - 5 The wedding was at Southwark on 22 September 1835: he is described as a wheelwright of Grange Road, Bermondsey, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Norton of Peckham Rye in the county of Surrey; she is described as the daughter of Richard and Jane Harris of the parish of St Mary, Newington, in the county of Surrey (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)
 - 6 No children are listed in London & Middlesex QM Births Digest or in the Digest of Births
 - 7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a gentleman

SIR ALBERT

The Friend (London) vol 8 (1868) p 221: 2 line entry for death

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

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NORTON, Thomas, c.1797-1868

b. c.1797 at Grange Road, Bermondsey, son of

m. (1st), Hannah Sterry of Southwark, (d.1831)

m. (2d) Carolina Harris.

Visited Friends in the south of France and in Germany. Member of Meeting for Sufferings. On the Committee of Friends Tract Association. Was given too much hospitality. Had means sufficient to provide for a school of about 200 poor boys.

1859, removed to Peckham Rye. Was an elder.

d. July 23, 1868 at Peckham Rye, aged 71 years.

The Friend (London), 8 (1868):221

An. Mon. (N.S.), 27:108

Jones, Qu. in the Am. Pol., 49

NORTON, Thomas Sterry (1831-1909)

Thomas Sterry Norton, the son of Thomas Norton junior (c.1797-1868 qv, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Norton) and Hannah, the daughter of Benjamin and Sarah Sterry, was born on 7 April 1831 in Bermondsey,(1) where his family had long been known as wheelwrights and coachbuilders. His mother died shortly after his birth and he was brought up by his father's second wife Carolina.

Sterry Norton was one of the oldest members of London & Middlesex Quarterly Meeting, in terms of unbroken membership, and although his marriage was not according to the usages of the Society in every other respect he was a loyal member, "jealous of departure from its traditions and anxious that the Yearly Meeting in its Epistles should give the clearest presentation of what he felt to be the essentials of the Christian faith as held by Friends." From an early age he was appointed to important trusteeships, including those of meeting houses, burial grounds and other freehold property of his quarterly meeting, and that of Devonshire House. He was keenly interested in the records of the Society and its past history and often attended Armscot General Meeting, Armscot being in the neighbourhood of Tredington, which was the home of his ancestors.

In 1859 Sterry Norton married Mary Anna,(2) and (3) the daughter of Stephen and Maria Deane, who was not a member of the Society. The marriage was solemnized in the presence of the Superintendent Registrar, as Sterry Norton wished to avoid being married by a priest. On Sunday mornings he attended his wife's place of worship, but worshipped with Friends in the evening and for some weekday meetings. Much sympathy for him was felt by those Friends appointed to visit him and it was finally concluded that while the circumstances which had led him to infringe the rules of the Society were regretted, no further proceedings should be taken against him.(4)

He survived his wife by ten years and died of a chill on 1 October 1909;(5) he was buried near his wife in Paddington Cemetery.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1911 p.124

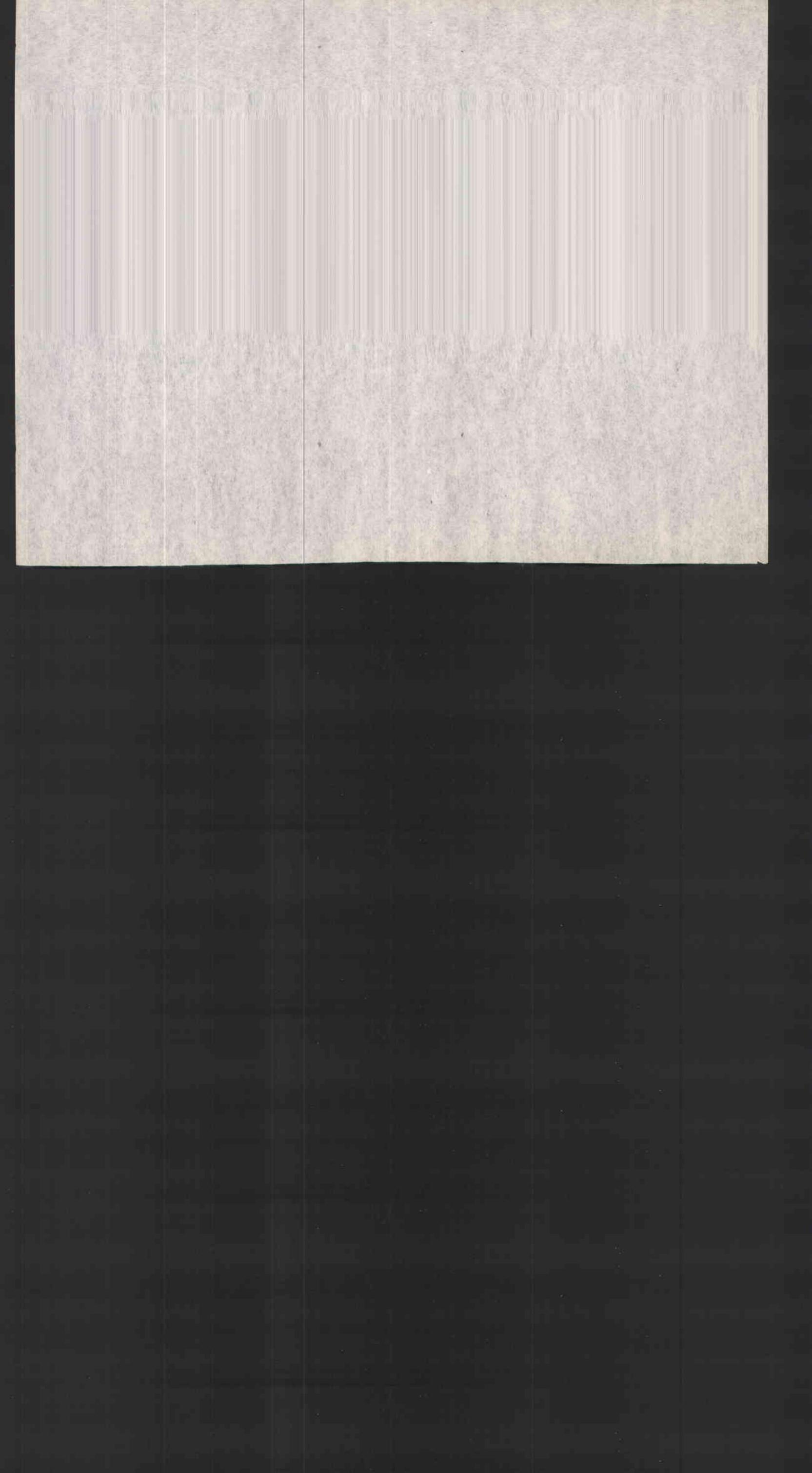
see also The Friend, vol. vi (1909) pp.675, 704

For REFERENCES AND NOTES see following sheet

NORTON, Thomas Sterry (1831-1909) continued

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: he was born on 7 April 1831, the son of Thomas, a wheelwright, and Hannah his wife
- 2 There is no record of the marriage in the Digest of Marriages
- 3 No children are recorded in the Digest of Births or in the Monthly Meeting List of Members
- 4 Minutes of Southwark Monthly Meeting, 10 May 1859 to 13 September 1959
- 5 Digest of Deaths: he died on 1 October 1909; he is described as a gentleman



NORTON, Widow

Nothing further is known respecting Widow Norton. In the Bodleian MS. (176.3) the name is Horton. It is omitted from Ell. edd.

Note by N. Penney in Fox's Journal, Camb. ed. 1911 vol.2 p.443

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NORTON, William (1694?-1752)

William Norton was born about the year 1694.(1) He was of a modest and retiring disposition and did not appear in the ministry until he was about fifty four. His testimony was never lengthy, but it was edifying and in his conversation he would also frequently exhort Friends to a close attention to the will of God. He was married in 1741, rather late in life, to Mary Fletcher(2) and they had two children.(3)

He died on 7 December 1752 aged fifty eight years.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Burford MM 2 April 1753 in TCMD vol.1 p.370

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged about 58 at death. There is no entry in Berks & Oxon QM Births Digest
- 2 The wedding was at Sibford Gower, Oxfordshire, on 7.ix. (November) 1741; he is described as a wheelwright of Sibford Gower; she is described as also of Sibford Gower, the daughter of Thomas Fletcher of Middle Barton (Berks & Oxon QM Marriages Digest)
- 3 Listed in Berks & Oxon QM Births Digest as follows:-
William b 19.iv. (June) 1749
Mary b 26.ix. (November) 1751
- 4 Berks & Oxon QM Burials Digest: he was buried on 10 December 1752; no description of him is given

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NORTON, William (1799-1884)

William Norton, the son of Thomas Norton (1767-1853 qv) and his wife Elizabeth, born Heydon, was born in the parish of St Mary Magdalene in Surrey on 8 July 1799(1). He was a spice dealer of Peckham Rye in Surrey(2) and was married in 1832 to Susanna Harris (1798-1847 qv) of Walworth(3); there were two children(4).

Susanna Norton died in 1847(5) and in 1850 he married Ellen Maria Alexander (1808- qv), the daughter of Samuel Alexander (1773-1838 qv) of Ipswich(6). In the year 1864 he accompanied Joseph James Neave on a ministerial journey to America(7).

He died at Reigate in Surrey on 3 February 1884, at the age of eighty four(8).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex 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 Southwark on 8 May 1832: he is described as a spice dealer of Peckham Rye, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Norton of Peckham Rye in the county of Surrey; she is described as the daughter of Richard and Jane Harris of Walworth in the county of Surrey (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in London & Middlesex QM Births Digest as follows:-
William Henry b 22 Aug 1835 who m 1871 Hannah Leslie
(Annual Monitor 1877, p 10)
- *Susanna Jane b 16 July 1837
- *No marriage traced to 1903
- 5 Digest of Deaths: she died at Woodbridge on 12 Sept. 1847
- 6 The wedding was at Ipswich on 10 October 1850: he is described as a widower, a gentleman of Woodbridge, the son of Thomas Norton, gentleman; she is described as a spinster of Ipswich, the daughter of Samuel Alexander, a banker (deceased) (Digest of Marriages)
- 7 Annual Monitor 1877, pp 108-109
- 8 Digest of Deaths: no description of him is given

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

NORTON, William Henry (1835-1876)

William Henry Norton, the son of William Norton (1799-1884 qv) and his first wife Susanna (born Harris, 1792-1847 qv) of Peckham Rye in Surrey, was born there on 22 August 1835(1). His mother died while he was still quite young, but her early training and her care for his spiritual welfare influenced him throughout his life. His father married again three years later and William became deeply attached to his stepmother; her death shortly after his father's return from a ministerial journey to America affected him deeply.

His temperament was naturally irritable and he was not over intelligent, so that having the means to gratify his tastes and desires it was harder for him to resign himself to the practices and principles of the Society. But he was not only enabled to overcome his natural deficiencies but also, notwithstanding his great difficulty in speaking, to bear witness to his faith in open testimony, both in his family and in meeting for worship.

He was married in 1871 to Hannah Leslie of Wells in Somerset(2), but the marriage was apparently childless(3). His marriage proved a great comfort to him and his spiritual life developed and ripened. He was deeply concerned for the welfare of the little meeting at Pakefield to which he belonged and took a great interest in the village children, many of whom he collected together on Sundays, to teach them with the help of his wife and her sister. A Band of Hope was also formed and he acquired such influence over the children that a word or a look was sufficient to keep them in order.

His health was always delicate and he had during his life several severe attacks of illness. He caught a chill in the spring of 1876, which developed into congestion of the lungs and he died at Pakefield on 20 June 1876, at the age of forty one(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1877, pp 103-112

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: his father is described as a spice dealer
- 2 The marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages
- 3 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 4 Digest of Deaths: he is described as the son of William

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

NOTMAN, James (fl 1779-1794)

James Notman, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1984) traced(1), was a tanner of Newcastle-on-Tyne(2).

He was married in 1779 to Isabella King(3) and there were six children(4).

The date of his death is not at present (1984) traced(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 His birth is not traced in Durham QM Births Digest
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3 and in the birth entries for his children
- 3 The wedding was at Newcastle-on-Tyne on 16 September 1779: he is described as a tanner of the town and county of Newcastle-on-Tyne; she is described as the daughter of William and Hannah King of West Hinton near Newcastle-on-Tyne (Durham QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Durham QM Births and Burials Digests as follows:-

William	b 11 July 1780	d 15 June 1781, aged 11 months
Elizabeth	b 28 Aug 1781	d 14 Nov 1781, aged 11 weeks
*James	b 7 June 1783	
*Hannah	b 9 Aug 1787	
*Sarah	b 4 Dec 1792	
*William King	b 12 Feb 1794	
- *No marriages traced in Durham QM Marriages Digest nor in the Digest of Marriages to 1870
- 5 His death is not traced in Durham QM Burials Digest nor in the Digest of Deaths to 1860

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

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NOTT, Joseph, -1699

Exeter, (?), England.

1692 with John Gannaliffe wrote Gospel Truths
Scripturally asserted, &c.(1693) Holy Scripture Work.

d. 26 XI 1699

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:242

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NOTTINGHAM, Samuel (1716?-1787)

Samuel Nottingham was born at Wellingborough, Northants, about 1716 (1).

He came forth in the ministry in 1739. In 1747 he visited America, attending among many other meetings the YM at Long Island (2) and returned by way of the W. Indies in 1748 with Daniel Stanton of Philadelphia. In the course of a stay of several months on the island of Tortola he became engaged to Mary Hunt, formerly [redacted], widow of Capt. John Hunt who had been lieutenant-governor of the island (3). His safe arrival in the S.W. of Ireland is recorded early in 1749, and he spent some time in Cork recovering from the voyage (4). Six months later he returned to Tortola, married Mary Hunt in xii.1649 [i.e. Feb. 1649/50] and settled there (5).

Together with his wife he visited the Barbadoes eight months after their marriage (6). He made an extended visit to the British Isles in 1752 (7). Some time later he and his wife visited the American colonies, returning to Tortola in 1757, and after a short stay went to N. America for a further 2 years (8). Upon his return in 1759 he stimulated Tortola MM to take action about the prevailing slackness of its members, some of whom were disowned (9). He again departed for America, and visited Nantucket in 1761 (10). The date when he and his wife settled permanently in Long Island, where they had spent much of ~~the~~ ^{xxxi} previous visits, is not clear.

At some time before his return to England, being 'uneasy over the ownership of fellow-men' (11) he freed all the slaves on his Tortola plantation, the East End plantation at Long Look on Fat Hog Bay, and made the plantation over to them (12). They and their descendants were still farming it in 1840, and treasured a letter from Samuel and Mary Nottingham, dated 30 Sept. 1782, which was written 'not as your master and mistress, but as your friends and benefactors'. It stated that Samuel and Mary had freed them and given them the plantation, and advised them how to use their freedom (13).

Samuel returned to England in 1779 (14). After an extended visit in Ireland he settled in Bristol. Here he was much distressed by illness, but recovered, and by 1785 was able to return to his ministry. A short time before his death he removed to his native town of Wellingborough.

"His ministry was not in the enticing words of man's wisdom, but in the fresh openings of Light, Life and Love, tending to stir up the negligent and lukewarm professors to a discharge of duty, to draw the unguarded to a serious consideration of their dangerous state, to warn the unruly, also to strengthen the weak and comfort the ~~mourning~~ mourners in Zion, to whom he was nearly united in spirit."

He died of an apoplectic fit, at Wellingborough, 15 Jan. 1787 and was interred at Wellingborough, 21 Jan. (15).

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PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Bristol MM in TCMD vol.3 p.330

OTHER PRINCIPAL SOURCE

C.F. Jenkins, Tortola A Quaker experiment of long ago in the tropics
(London 1923) [cited (Jenkins)]

NOTES AND REFERENCES

- 1 Not in Northants QM Births digest
Age at death about 71 - TCMD
- 2 A.M. Gummere (ed), The journal and essays of John Woolmann
(Philadelphia and London 1922) p.170
- 3 Jenkins p.28. [John Smith of Philadelphia commented 'wch was thought a little strange here, because he was remarkably shy of women while among us, and said several times before he went away that he has not kissed a woman in America' - ibid]
- 4 'Record of Friends travelling in Ireland' in J.Fds.hist.soc. vol.10 (1913) p.248. He is described as a Black Smith
- 5 He produced a certificate from Wellingborough MM at the MM held at Fat Hog Bay 1.xi.1749 [i.e. Jan. 1749/50]. This concurred with his concern to settle in Tortola, and declared that he was in unity with Friends, that his ministry was approved, and that he was free of all matrimonial engagements. He was liberated to marry Mary Hunt at MM held 28.xi.1750 [sic. i.e. Jan. 1749/50] and the marriage was reported decently performed at MM held 25.xii.1749 [i.e. Feb. 1749/50]. - photostat copy of Minutes of Tortola MM pp.19-20 H-046-83.
- 6 Jenkins p.35
- 7 ~~ix~~ ibid
- 8 ibid
- 9 ibid
- & 10 L.S. Hinchman, Early settlers of Nantucket &c (2nd ed Philad. 1901) p.322
- 11 Jenkins p.53
- 12 Jenkins p.53. A 19th century abolitionist pamphlet, Benefits of emancipation No.11 (London n.d.) p.1 states that this was in 1776 and gives an account of the plantation in 1824.
- 13 The letter is printed as Appendix A to J.J. Gurney's A winter in the West Indies &c (London 1840) and Truman, J. Jackson and T.B. Longstreet Narrative of a visit to the West Indies in 1840 and 1841 (Philadelphia 1844) pp.37-8. These works give accounts of visits to this plantation in 1839 and 1840. 9)
- r/ 14 Jenkins p.53 states that they left in 1778, but their cert. of removal from New York MM is dated 1 Sept. 1779 - Sibson MSS, vol.3 p.185 (in Fds. Ho. strong room). 8/

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NOTTINGHAM, Samuel (1716?-1787) contd

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15 Northants QM Burials digest

SEE ALSO

Journal of the life and gospel labours of David Sands &c (london 1848)

p.2.

W.J. Allinson (ed) Memorials of Rebecca Jones (philadelphia and London [1849]) p.75

W. Duane (ed) Passages from the diary of Christopher Marshall &c vol.1 (Philadelphia 1839-49)

see also next page

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NOTTINGHAM, Samuel (1716-1787)

Of Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, England. Began to preach at twenty three. Came to America in 1747; was at Newport 12 of 4mo. 1747, with a Minute from his home meeting, dated 12 of 12mo 1746, and at New York, with John Woolman in 1747. On completion of his American visit, the Friends of Newport, 9th of 4mo. 1748, 'on his return from the Westward', gave him a certificate of 'acceptable service'. He went, however, to Tortola, where he resided for some years. Thence he removed to Long Island, and after many years of absence, returned to England in 1779. He first visited extensively in Ireland, and then settled in the city of Bristol. The original certificate for his removal is at Devonshire House, London. Eventually, he removed to his native town of Wellingborough, where he died in 1787.

An interesting letter is quoted in Gurney's 'Winter in the West Indies', (Appendix. A) from Samuel and Mary Nottingham, 'late of Long Look' Tortola, giving advice to their liberated slaves on that Island.

(Bowden: 'Hist. Friends in America', II. p.244. Journal Friends' Historical Soc. London, Vol. XI. June, 1913.)

Note in 'The Journal of John Woolman', 1922, pp. 573-4

see also previous page

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Additional references

NOTTINGHAM, Samuel, 1716-1787

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The Friend (Phila.), 12:349

Gummere, ed., Jour. of John Woolman, 573

Bowden, History, 2:244

Comly, Frds. Misc., V:328

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:242

Gurney, Works, 1:233-34 (1824 ed.)

MOUNSEY, Mary (1795-1870) born Capper

Mary Capper, the daughter of Jasper Capper (1751-1819 qv) and his wife Anne (born Fry, 1756-1821 qv) of Stoke Newington near London, was born there on 19 January 1795(1). As a young girl she was meek and quiet, often retiring to read the Bible in private. She was married in 1817 to Thomas Mounsey (1793-1850 qv) and there were six children(2). It was a truly happy marriage, which lasted thirty three years, giving them both help and joy in the Lord.

She was an elder of her meeting and had a tender concern for the religious training of her children; their advancement in the knowledge and love of God was the subject of her constant prayers. Her beloved husband died in 1850, leaving her a widow for twenty years and she felt his loss deeply.

For many months before her death she was confined to her room by ill health, but she continued cheerful and resigned. Mary Mounsey of Bishopwearmouth died on 9 September 1870, at the age of seventy five(3).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1871 pp 31-89

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given

2 For marriage and children see MOUNSEY, Thomas (1793-1850)

3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Thomas

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

NOYSE, Israel

Israel Noyse (Noice) lived at Calne, N.Wilts. He married Margery Wallis, of Slaughterford in 1657 and has a considerable family. He was a 'sergemaker'. He died in 1708 and Margery Noyse in 1716. With other Wilts Friends he signed a QM minute against 'A sad & Lammenttabell sizem & devision... by John Story & John Wilkenson of westmorland' (Jnl FHS xvi.143). A Friends' meeting at Calne has been held through the centuries until recent times.

Note by N. Penney in G. Fox, Short Journal, 1925, p.374

NUHN, Ruth nee Suckow, 1892-1960.

See SUCKOW, Ruth, afterwards Nuhn, 1892-1960.

WBE: a
~~(prepared by RB)~~

NUTT, George H., 1869-1943

b. 29 June 1869

1893-1936, Member of first George School (Pa.) faculty.
Taught manual training, mathematics; served as vice-principal from 1912 on. Period of service longer than that of any other teacher. (as of 1943)

Chairman of George School History Committee.

Faculty manager of George School baseball teams.

One summer with Joseph S. Walton, walked from George School to Buck Hill Falls in the Pocono Mts. (Pa.)

Excerpt from History of George School: "George H. Nutt's enthusiasm and craftsmanship, as well as his teaching talent, were an inspiration to generations of students."

Resided in Riverton, New Jersey.

d. 24 Aug. 1943, Camden, New Jersey, aged 74 years.

Friends Intell., 100 (1943), 594.

History of George School, (1893-1943), 44, 51, 135 (picture)

Elizabeth (fl 1783-1801)

after 1783 Harrison

[Elizabeth Nutting, daughter of Henry and Sarah Nutting
of Tannis in Hertfordshire, was married in 1783 to
Barnard Harrison (1757- qv) of Standen in
Hertfordshire.

See HARRISON, Elizabeth (fl 1783-1801) born Nutting]

NYE, Elizabeth (1766?-1841) after 1809 Sayers

[Elizabeth Nye, daughter of William and Sarah Nye
of Capel in Surrey, was married in 1809 to
Joseph Sayers (1771-1837 qv) of Reigate in Surrey.

See SAYERS, Elizabeth (1766?-1841) born Nye]

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NYE, A

Leslie (1904? - 1971)

Leslie Nye was born in about the year 1904.(1)

Little has been traced (1977) of his early life. The obituary in The Friend records that he was a former general Manager of the General Accident Fire & Life Assurance Corporation. His first appearance traced so far is in Perth in 1952.(2) and he continued to live for some years in Scotland, but removed to Tunbridge Wells in about 1959 (3) and then to Aldeburgh in 1960/1, where he joined Leiston meeting.(4)

In 1966 - 7 he was in charge of the Quaker Centre at Delhi and later served on the F.S.C. Asia Committee. He had while in Scotland and later in Aldeburgh served on the finance committee of F.S.C. from 1954 - 1967. He also served on the Christian Discipline Parts I and II Revision Committee.(5)

He died after an accident on Gozo, the island off Malta, on June 14, 1971, aged 67.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend Vol. 129 (1971) p. 758.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. We have no date of birth, he was aged 67 at death.
2. Scotland QM printed list of members for 1952 records him as an 'attender' at Perth 'Allowed' meeting. The list for 1953 records him as a member.
3. The same lists for 1960 record him as living at Tunbridge Wells.
4. Essex & Suffolk QM printed list of members for 1961 records him as living at Aldeburgh with his wife Laura Kathleen, attending Leiston meeting.
5. Typescript Committee Index - Friends House Library.

OADES, Cotten (1617?-1697)

Cotten Oades was a member of Peel MM (Jnl FHS xii. 145 - Cotton Gadd). His name occurs in connection with the closing scenes of the life of Matthew Hide, for many years a persecutor but finally repentant (Penn, Saul Smitten, 1 675, p.3). His death, 'of age', took place in the parish of 'Gules Cripplegate'.

Sundry Ancient Epistles, pp.35,41 (Ms in Friends House)

Note by N. Penney in G. Fox, Short Journal, 1925, p.333

OADES, Lydia (1617?-1697)

There was a Lydia Oades, a travelling Minister whose name is to be found in John Taylor, 1710, p.20; Suff. (London Section); and Jnl FHS x.

Note by N. Penney in G. Fox, Short Journal, 1925 p.333

WBE:

Additional references

OADES, Lydia, nee

c.1617-1697

Jour. Frds. Hist. Soc., 10:121

Besse, 1:430,473

John Smith's Ms., 2:605

OAKDEN, Ann (1776-1867) born Naish

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Ann Naish, daughter of William and Ann Naish of Bristol, was born there in 1776. Her father died when she was still a child, leaving her mother with the task of bringing up a large family with very limited means. This experience made Ann Oakden throughout her life the sympathising helper of all those who were poor through no fault of their own. Though she was brought up in the Church of England, she became convinced of the truth of Friends principles, and in 1806 joined the Society of Friends. She first spoke as a minister in 1813, and was recorded in 1822. 'Possessing only moderate endowments, and little education, her addresses were characterised by extreme simplicity and were generally brief: they were felt, however, to come with true authority, and frequently appeared to make way for the ministry of others.' For the last three years of her life she lived at Cirencester, where she died on 1 January 1867, aged 90 years, and was buried at Gloucester on 8 January.

Testimony of Gloucester & Nailsworth M.M. in Y.M.Proc.1867, p.xxxii

WBE:

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OAKDEN, Benjamin, c.1773-1844

b. c. 1773

Lived at Tewksbury, near Staverton, near Gloucester, England.

)Minister.

1835 wrote On Family Worship.

Moved to Woodbridge.

d. Jan. 11, 1844 at Haydon House, near Cheltenham, Eng., aged 71 years.

An. Mon. (N.S.), 3 (1845):84

Jos. Smith's. Cat., 2:243

The Friend (London), 2(1844):47

OAKDEN, Ellen (1763?-1835) born

Ellen Oakden, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1977) traced, was born about the year 1763(1). She was married in 1793 to Benjamin Oakden of Burgh Villa near Woodbridge in Suffolk(2), but the marriage was apparently childless(3).

About three years after her marriage she turned towards religion and from that time forward she lived a truly Christian life, in the full knowledge of the grace and love of God.

In 1832 her health began to give way and it continued progressively to decline until her death. Ellen Oakden of Woodbridge in Suffolk died on 2 February 1835 at the age of seventy two(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1836, pp 29-31

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 72 at death. There is no entry in Suffolk QM Births Digest
- 2 The marriage is not traced in Suffolk QM, Norfolk & Norwich QM, London & Middlesex QM, Essex QM, Cambs & Hunts QM, Beds & Herts QM, Berks & Oxon QM, Kent QM or Surrey & Sussex QM Marriages Digests
- 3 No children are traced in Suffolk QM Births Digest
- 4 Suffolk QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of Benjamin

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

WBE:a

OBERHOLTZER, Sarah Louisa (Vickers), 1841-1930

see OBERHOLTZER, Sara Louisa (Vickers)

WBE:a

OBERHOLTZER, Sara Louisa (Vickers), 1841-1930

Author; reformer.

b. 20 May 1841, Uwchlan, Chester Co., Pa., dau. Paxson Vickers and w. Ann T. (Lewis).

Ed.: private tutors; Friends' Boarding School; Millersville State Normal School.

m. John Oberholtzer (of Chester Co., Pa., later a Phila. merchant), on 1 Jan. 1862. Ch.: s. Ellis Paxson (b. 5 Oct. 1868; later a journalist and author); mention of at least one other child, also a son.

1881, organized Anti-Tobacco Society; 1884, organized Longport Agassiz Microscopical Society (served as Pres. of this and Anti-Tobacco Soc. for several years). 1888, became interested in estab. school savings bank programs (this cause to absorb S.V.O. for remainder of life); longtime ed. of School Savings (periodical). 1903-05, Pres., Pa. Woman's Press Association. Active mem. of W.C.T.U. (served as Pres., Montgomery Co. Chapter).

Friend of John Greenleaf Whittier, whom she met while he was in Phila.

Contributed numerous articles to magazines; pub. hymns, pamphlets, and several books of verse: 1873, Violet Lee; 1882, Come for Arbutus; 1886, Daisies of Verse; 1892, Souvenirs of Occasions. 1884, pub. Hope's Heart Bells, novel which depicted Quaker life in Pa. "Burial Ode" for Bayard Taylor's funeral service, and verses for dedication of monument at

WBE:a

OBERHOLTZER, Sara Louisa (Vickers), 1841-1930 cont'd.

Antietam Bridge are among her many commemorative poems.

d. 2 Feb. 1930, at her home in Phila., Pa.

Dictionary of Amer. Biography, 13:607.

Hamersly, Lewis R., ed., Who's Who in Pa., 190 $\frac{1}{2}$ ed., 548-9.

N. Y. Times, 4 Feb. 1930, 25:4.

Futhey, J. Smith and Gilbert Cope, History of Chester Co., Pa., 755.

WBE:

O'BRIEN, Clara, nee Robinson, c.1862-1938

b. c.1862 at Lymm, Cheshire, Eng., daughter
of Alfred and Mary

Robinson.

m., 1896, Benjamin T. O'Brien of Liverpool.

Overseer and Elder. She worked for Belgian refugees
in the First World War. Was an outstanding member of
Liverpool Meeting and served on many committees.

d. 11 or 14 March, 1938 at Birkdale, Southport,
age 75 or 76 years.

The Friend (London), 96(1938):230,237

O'Brien, Clara, nee Robinson
add: b. 27 v 1862

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correction: d. 11 March 1938 at Butharlyp How, Grasmere, Westmorland,
age 75 years. Cremated at Manchester 14 March 1938

[Entries in The Friend, Lond. are confused in the dates of death]
ref: Digest of births and deaths in Frds Hse Lib.,Lond.

O'BRIEN, Eileen

(1894 - 1973)

Eileen O'Brien, the daughter of Edward (1865 - 1924) and of Jessie Lockhart (b. Graham 1868 - 1951) O'Brien of Kendal, was born there on January 1, 1894.(1)

She was educated at Ackworth school and at the Mount, and at Bedford College, London.

After the First World War she was engaged in relief work, first of all in Serbia, with the Serbian Relief Fund, then in Czechoslovakia with Lady Muriel Paget's Mission, and then in Poland, under the League of Red Cross Societies.

In 1925 she went to Canada to join General Sir Arthur Currie's staff on a scheme to combat tuberculosis. This led her to Vancouver and there she was an active member of New Westminster meeting.

She returned to England in 1939 and continued her work for welfare from her home in Ambleside.

Eileen O'Brien died suddenly on October 9. 1973 aged 79.(2)

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend Vol 131 (1973) p 1386

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. Digest of Births. Her father is described as an engineer.
2. The notice of death records that she died at sea.

She represented Westmorland QM on Friends Service Council from 1945 to 1960 (Typescript committee index, Friends House Library)

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O'BRIEN, / Frederick Lucius (1896 - 1974)

Lucius O'Brien was born in 1896 at Belfast, (1) the son of Louis Frederick O'Brien.

He was educated at Friends School, Lisburn and at Bootham School, after which he entered the family laundry business in Belfast. He quickly became active in Frederick St. Meeting with young Friends.

In 1941 he gave up his participation in the family business to enter public service and was appointed Chief Welfare Officer to the Belfast Civil Defence Authority.

After the war he became Chairman of a newly formed housing trust which won a reputation for fairness, and for the quality of housing and housing management from far beyond the United Kingdom and in a province divided by sectarianism it also achieved in some areas a happy degree of religious integration. Later he served on the committees of the Belfast Council of Social Welfare, and the Northern Ireland Council of Social Service. He was chairman of the board of the Belfast Savings Bank, a member of the Senate of Queen's University and took an interest in the Clifton House, old people's home.

In 1949 he was awarded a knighthood for public services and in May, 1974, Queen's university bestowed on him the honorary degree of Doctor of Law.

He was a bachelor with a wide circle of friends to whom he remained faithful, visiting them whenever possible, and delighting in conversation. He was a witty after-dinner speaker.

He died at Belfast in 1974 (2) aged 78.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol 132 (1974) p 1430

REFERENCES & NOTES

1. The date of birth is given in "Who's Who".
2. No date of death is given in the report of his death.

WBE:

O'BRIEN, George, 1860-1895

b. c.1860 at Holywood, County Down, Ireland,
son of Thomas and Elizabeth O'Brien.

The family removed from Ireland to England.

ed. 1874 Ackworth School. Finished 1876
1876 apprentice teacher at Lisburne School in
Ireland.

Attended Flounders Institute for further study.

Teacher at Kendal and then at Walter Kaye's
school at Ilkley.

1887 took his B.A. at University College, Liverpool,
Eng. and studied another year at Owen's College
at Manchester.

1890 master at Penketh School.

1891 went to India to teach at Friends School at
Hosnagabad and became headmaster the following year.

m., 1893, Fanny Bruin.

d. April 14, 1895 at Hoshangabad, India of Smallpox,
aged 34 years.

An. Mon. (N.S.), 54(1896):136

The Friend (London), 35(1895):260, 709 (portrait)

O'BRIEN, sir Lucius (1896-1974)

~~see~~ O'BRIEN, sir Frederick Lucius (1896-1974)

O'BRIEN, William (1799?-1855)

William O'Brien, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1976) traced, was born about the year 1799(1). He was educated at Mountmellick School, where he went at the age of eight and a half and although he described himself as a spiritless boy, he did well enough at school to be distinguished as the best scholar therein.

After leaving school he was apprenticed in 1812 to the drapery business in Waterford. He was conscientious about his duties, but he loved books and pursued the studious habits of his schooldays. His health, never very robust, became so far affected that in 1818 he was obliged to give up the drapery business. When he recovered, he turned his attention more decidedly to literary pursuits and was for some time an assistant at Ballitore School. Here he became very proficient in the teaching of languages and on the recommendation of the headmaster, James White, he accepted the post of private tutor in a Friends' family in county Tipperary. He spent eleven years in this situation and was not only free to pursue his thirst for knowledge but became particularly interested in botany; its study yielded him much pleasure during his walks in the beautiful country which surrounded the house in which he lived.

But his intellectual pursuits had shut out from his mind the knowledge and love of God and it was not until he was about thirty three that he became open to receive the truths of the Gospel. It was difficult for a man of his intellectual ability to achieve the humility necessary to regard himself as a sinner in need of grace. The turning point came when, after he had left his situation in county Tipperary, he attended a meeting at Clonmel, when a few words spoken by a minister reached his condition. From that time forward he became a consistent Friend and humbly endeavoured to follow his Lord in the obedience of faith. He was an overseer of his meeting and his own experience of the mercy of God led him to deal tenderly with others; his accurate and extensive knowledge of the Scriptures gave great value to his judgment. Humble and diffident, it was a privilege to share his friendship and to listen to his conversation.

He was twice married. He felt deeply the loss of his first wife, whom he had married when he was thirty three and who left him a widower with five children. He married again in 1845. He died ^{at} on 24 December 1855, at the age of fifty six.

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Carlow

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1857 pp 93-102

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O'BRIEN, William (1799?-1855)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 56 at death

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

ODDIE, Isabel (1814-1893) after 1839 Smith

[Isabel Oddie, daughter of William Oddie (1764-1816)
and his third wife Elizabeth (born Pickton, -1814)
of Warrington in Lancashire, was married in 1839 to
Bartholomew Smith (1814-1897 qv) of Thirsk in Yorkshire.

See SMITH, Isabel (1814-1893) born Oddie]

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

Jane Crosfield was born on 16 June 1795 at Hartshill, Warwickshire, the daughter of Joseph Crosfield (1756-1830 qv) and Ann Crosfield (1760-1825 born Adkins). (1) On 24 July 1818, at Atherstone, Warwickshire, she married David Drape. (2) No children of the marriage are known; he died on 7 November 1820. (3)

Jane Drape married, secondly, John Oddie, on 25 March 1823, at Warrington (4); nine children of the marriage are recorded. (5) John Oddie died on 14 July 1839. (6) In 1846 Jane Oddie was appointed principal mistress at Ackworth School, where she remained until 1848. (7) She afterwards conducted her own school; in March 1851, she was living 'at Egremont, on the Cheshire shore, opposite Liverpool, keeping a boarding school, with one of her daughters.' (8)

Jane Oddie died on 11 May 1855, at Liscard, Cheshire, after an illness of a few hours, and was buried at Liscard. (9)

NOTES & REFERENCES

- 1 Warwick Leicester & Rutland QM Births Digest. Joseph Crosfield, described there as schoolmaster of Hartshill, occupied that position for many years.
- 2 Warwick Leicester & Rutland QM Marriages Digest, where she is described as daughter of Joseph and Ann Crosfield of Hartshill, and David Drape as a schoolmaster of Hartshill, son of John and Jane Drape, late of Greenrow, Cumberland; he was born on 12 May 1793, the son of John & Jane Drape of Greenrow, in the parish of Holm Cultram. His father was then described as a mathematician, and at the birth of other children (1790) as a schoolmaster (Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births Digest).
- 3 Lancashire QM Burials Digest, where he is described as a schoolmaster, of Liverpool, aged 28: he was buried at Beckfoot, Cumberland. No children of the marriage traced (1976) in Warwick Leicester & Rutland QM or Lancashire QM Births or Burials Digests.
- 4 Lancashire QM Marriages Digest, where she is described as widow of David Drape, and daughter of Joseph Crosfield, schoolmaster, and Ann Crosfield of Hartshill, and John Oddie as a grocer of Warrington, Lancashire, son of William, grocer, and Ruth Oddie, both deceased, of Warrington. He was born on 12 September 1795, at Warrington: his father's occupation is not given (Lancashire QM Births Digest).
- 5 The children are recorded as follows in Lancashire QM Births and Burials and after 1837 in the Digests of Births, Marriages and Burials:

Elizabeth	b 17 Jan 1824	d 31 Jan 1914
Joseph	b 22 Dec 1825	d 3 Feb 1827
Richard	b 31 July 1827	
Jane	b 20 Feb 1829	d 10 Aug 1859
John	b 10 Aug 1831	d 20 March 1895
Mary Ann	b 13 April 1833	
Margaret	b 22 Dec 1834	m John Henry Davies of Lisburn 17 April 1862
William	b 10 Nov 1836	d 6 Feb 1875
Rachel qv	b 6 Sept 1838	d 22 March 1917

At the births of all the children John Oddie was described as a grocer, of Warrington, except in the case of Rachel where he appears as an accountant, late grocer. Jane Oddie's death in 1859 took place at Heidelberg, Grand

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

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6 Duchy of Baden, where she was buried; she was a schoolmistress, of Southport
Digest of Deaths, where he was described as an accountant, of Warrington, aged 44.

7 Joseph Spence Hodgson, Superintendents, teachers and principal officers of Ackworth School from 1779 to 1894, Ackworth, 1895, p 54, where she is wrongly described as the daughter of George Crosfield, and her age at death is given as 58. Her father may have been at Ackworth as a reading master for a short time; a John Oddie of Warrington, possibly her husband was at Ackworth School 1804 to 1808 as a pupil; of their children Elizabeth (1835-1837), Richard (1836-1841), Jane (1841-1843), Mary Ann (1846-1848), Margaret (1846-1849), William (1848) and Rachel (1848-1851) were all at Ackworth School. The residence for the older children is given as Warrington, but for Jane, Mary Ann, Margaret and William as Manchester, and for Rachel as Ackworth School (List of the boys and girls admitted into Ackworth School ... 1779 to ... 1879, Ackworth, 1879, pp 57, 131, 132, 142, 152, 154, 155)

8 Letter of her brother, Joseph Crosfield (1802-1851 qv) to Charles Tomlinson, 21.iii.1851, Manchester, LSF Port.41/141; he noted her departure from Manchester in another letter to Tomlinson, 23.i.1847, LSF Port. 41/136. Her school was advertised in the British Friend, vol 7, December 1849, advertisement p 4, as follows: 'Jane Oddie and daughter ... intend commencing a school on the 8th of first month next at Egremont, near Liverpool. For board and instruction in the usual branches of an English education and needlework' at 30 guineas a year for boarders of 9 and over. The Friend, vol 9, June 1851, advertisement p 3 gives the address as Sea Bank Avenue, North Egremont, but later that year Jane Oddie and her daughter announced that 'in consequence of the increase in their school, they have taken a larger ... house (Douglas Villa) ... about half a mile from the Egremont Ferry' (The Friend, vol 9, November 1851, advertisement p 3). From the advertisement in the British Friend, vol 12, June 1854, p 164 for J. & J. Oddie's school, Douglas Vill, Liscard, the daughter was clearly Jane Oddie. The younger Jane Oddie, with her sister Mary Ann, reopened the school in August 1855, after their mother's death, at New Bath Street, Southport, Lancashire. (advertisement in the British Friend, vol 13, July 1855, p 176, and October 1855, p 256)

9 Digest of Deaths, where she is described as widow of John, aged about 58; British Friend, vol 13, June 1855, p 149, which gives her age as 59

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ODDIE, Kate Ridett (1866?-1935) after 1905 Brady

[Kate Ridett Oddie, daughter of Edwin Oddie and his wife
Emily Ann (born Ridett) of Rawtenstall in Lancashire,
was married in 1905 to Thomas Brady (1837-1920 qv).]

See BRADY, Kate Ridett (1866?-1935) born Oddie]

ODDIE, Mary (1780?-1864) born Hodgson, after 1812 Graham

(Mary Oddie, the daughter of John and Ann Hodgson of Tenters, near Settle in Yorkshire, was married to Richard Oddie. After his death in 1801 she was married in 1812 to Robert Graham.

See GRAHAM, Mary (1780?-1864) formerly Oddie, born Hodgson)

ODDIE, Rachel (1838-1917)

Rachel Oddie was born at Warrington on 6 September 1838, the daughter of John and Jane Addie (1). When she was seven her mother was appointed Principal Mistress of Ackworth School, and she spent her school days there. After leaving, she and her sister spent some time on the continent studying and teaching. For some years she helped Hannah Wallis in her school at Southport. In 1874 she returned to Ackworth, as a mistress, and in 1887 was appointed Principal Mistress (2). During her service there she was held in great esteem by all.

After her retirement in 1896 she went to live at Weston-super-Mare, and later at Southport, where she died on 23 March 1917. She was an Elder.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Annual Monitor; 1918, p.93 1919/20 p.220

REFERENCES & NOTES :

- 1 Digest of Birth Notes. Her father is described as "accountant, later grocer" Annual Monitor erroneously gives 1838 1839
- 2 Scholars & Teachers of Ackworth School, 1879-1900

SEE ALSO :

Ackworth O.S. Report, 1917 p.62

Paul Oestreicher was born in about the year 1897 (1) of Jewish parentage in Aschaffenburg, Germany. He graduated in medicine from the University of Munich in 1923 and became a country doctor. During that period he became a Christian in a conversion experience not unlike that of St. Paul. He also became interested in the naturopathic healing methods of Dr. Otto Buchinger, a well known German Friend at Bad Pyrmont and thus he and his wife Emma, herself a musician became interested in the Society of Friends.

In 1938 he was forbidden to practise by the Nazi authorities and after a period of being 'on the run' from the Gestapo they managed to go as refugees to New Zealand which they reached shortly after the outbreak of war. He was allowed to practise as a doctor and settled in Dunedin where he remained from 1942 to 1971, increasingly specialising in the care of 'hopeless cases'. He and his wife joined the Society of Friends in Dunedin in about 1945 and they were active members of that meeting. They were also deeply committed to the peace testimony of the Society and worked hard for reconciliation with Germany after the war. During the sixties he served for a time as assistant director of the Buchinger Clinic at Bad Pyrmont. On his retirement in 1971 Paul and Emma Oestreicher came to England to be near their family at Blackheath. (2) Emma died in 1974 and in 1976 Paul married again. (3) Late in 1979 or early in 1980 he and his second wife made an extensive visit to New Zealand to visit Friends and friends there and he had only been home a month or so before being taken ill.

He died after a short illness on April 22, 1980, aged 83.

PRINCIPAL SOURCEThe Friend Vol. 128 (1980) p. 586REFERENCES & NOTES

1. ~~London & Middlesex QM printed~~ We have no date of birth he was aged 83 at death.
2. London & Middlesex QM printed list of members for 1972 records their appearance at Blackheath.
3. The same lists record Paul alone in 1976 and with a wife Eva in 1978.

WBE:

OFFLEY, Daniel, 1756-1793

b. Nov. 29, 1756 in Phila., Pa., son of Daniel (Sr.)
and Rachel Offley.

An anchor smith who as a youth was light and airy
in his disposition. He was convinced by Jonathan Evans,
Jr.. He was imprisoned for refusal to pay tax for war
and was released as a result of the payment of his Taxes
by some person unknown.

c.1780, a minister with a powerful voice, he visited
Most of the meetings in the U.S.A.

1786 with Samuel Emlen visited many of the islands in
the West Indies. Instrumental in "reaching" Henry Hall in N.Y.

1793 in Philadelphia helped to bring order during
the yellow fever epidemic. He caught the disease him-
self.

d. Oct. 11, 1793 Phila., Pa., in his 37th year.

Comly, Frds. Misc., I:279

Phila. Y.M., Memorials, (1879):31

Walton, Biog. Sketches, 127

WBE:

OGDEN, John, fl.1681

b.

Halifax (?)

Lived at Askrigg, Yorks., England.

A friend of George Fox, he was a clockmaker.

Dinsdale, The old clockmakers of Yorkshire.

WBE:

OGDEN, John Melchior, 1791-1882

b. Jan. 19, 1791 in Philadelphia, son of Hugh and Anna Dorothea (Meng) Ogden. His father was a coach manufacturer.

m., 1818, Harriet Middleton (d.1870)

Became an architect and builder, joining the Carpenters Company.

Interests included the Spring Garden Institute with which he was associated for over 30 years. Also, concerned with the Northern Dispensary and the Spring Garden Soup Society. A founder, also of Apprentices' Library, in 1820.

1828 commissioned to build the Phila. Almshouse.

1832-33 served in the State Legislature. Sat at the head of Green St. Meeting for many years. An Elder.

d. Oct. 29, 1882 in Phila., Pa., aged 92 years.

Ogden, the Quaker Ogdens in America, 92 (portrait)

OGDEN, Margaret (1702-1776) after 1736/7 Lindley

[Margaret Ogden, daughter of John and Margaret Ogden of Bowbridge Hall, Yorkshire, was married in 1736/7 to Isaac Lindley.

see LINDLEY, Margaret (1702-1776) born Ogden]

OGDEN, family

[Durham & Yorkshire]

For lists of entries under the name Ogden in the register
digests of Durham and Yorkshire QMs for the years
1650-1837

see TYPED REGISTER EXTRACTS

see also LIBRARY CORRESPONDENCE FILES:
Brian Loomes of Harrogate, 1971