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PALMER, A(lexander) Mitchell, 1872-1936.

b. 4 May 1872, Moosehead, Pa., s. of Samuel B. and Caroline (Albert) Palmer.

ed. 1891, at Swarthmore College. Graduated with highest honors.

1893, admitted to the Bar. Practiced Law with Hon. John B. Storm until 1901, then alone.

m. (1st) Roberta Bartlett Dixon, 1898. (d. 1922) 1 dau. Director of Stroudsburg National Bank, Stroudsburg Water Co., and International Boiler Co.

1909-1915, Representative to Congress from Penna.

1915, spent a few months as judge on the U.S. Court of Claims.

1912-20, member of the executive committee of the Democratic National Committee.

1917, his Quaker pacifism deserted him and he became eager to enter W.W. I.

1919-21, Attorney General of the U.S. in Wilson's cabinet. As a congressman he had supported advanced progressive legislation, but as Attorney General he violated the civil liberties, "tore up the Bill of Rights," and believed all strikes to be part of a World-wide "communist conspiracy." Much of this conservatism was undoubtedly due to the bombing of his house by a communist group.

1919, given LL.D. by Swarthmore and Lafayette Colleges.

1920, George Washington University presented him with LL.D.

1920, received 267 votes for nomination for president.

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His public career was over in 1920.

m. (2nd) Margaret Fallon Burrall, 1923.

Home at Stroudsburg, Pa.

Raised a Hicksite Friend.

A History of the Quakers in Stroudsburg... an address delivered to Monroe Co. Historical Society, July 31, 1929.

d. 11 May, 1936, Washington, D.C., aged 64.

Coben, Stanley, A. Mitchell Palmer: Politician, 1963.

Who Was Who in America, I:930.

Friends Intell., 93(1936):397.

PALMER, Alice (1761-1826) after 1793 Beavington

[Alice Palmer, daughter of John Palmer (-)
and his wife Mary (born
was married in 1793 to William Beavington (1758-1814 qv)

See BEAVINGTON, Alice (1761-1826) born Palmer]

PALMER, Ann (1714-1788) after 1743 Grove

(Ann Palmer, daughter of John and Mary Pa
in Leicestershire, was married in 1743 to

Ann Parsons, the daughter of James Parsons (1697-1751) and his wife Sarah

(born Brown, 1705-1831 qv) of Wellington Lodge, Hilton Kibsey, born there on

19 See GROVE, Ann (1714-1788) born Palmer

She was married in 1723 to Oliver Palmer (1700-1768) of Long Sutton in

Sussex and there were six children (3).

Ann Palmer of Long Sutton died on 19 July 1835 at the age of 91 years 3 months 5 days.

BURIALS AND BURSTS

1 Bristol & Somerset Q9 Burials Digest: her father is described

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2 For marriage and children see PALMER, Walter (1795-1868)

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3 Bristol & Somerset Q9 Burials Digest: no description of him

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Register 1834, p 27: 2 line entry for death, the wife of James Palmer

R.R. There is no reference to her in J. Friends List See vols 1-53

PALMER, Eliza (1805-1894) born Mallinson

Eliza Mallinson was born at Sheffield in 1805, the daughter of David and Phebe Mallinson.

In 1840 she married Robert Palmer of Long Sutton, where they lived for about thirty years, when they removed to Taunton which was Eliza Palmer's home until her death. She was appointed an Elder of West Somerset Monthly Meeting.

'Her character was marked by clear judgment, sound practical common sense and much executive ability. She was warm-hearted and sympathetic, and could be depended on for capable help in any emergency.'

Eliza Palmer died on 6 February 1894, aged eighty nine years.

Testimony of West Somerset M.M. in Y.M.Proc. 1894, p.170

PALMER, Elizabeth Sarah (1825-1894) born Meatyard

Elizabeth Sarah Meatyard, the eldest daughter of Robert Meatyard (1798-1882 qv) and his wife Sarah (born Storrs, 1794-1845 qv) of London, was born there on 16 November 1825(1).

PALMER, Eliza (1805-1894) born Mallinson

(1762-1833 qv) (born Buck)

Eliza Mallinson, the daughter of David and Phebe Mallinson, was born at Sheffield on 20 October 1805(1). Details of her early life and education are not at present (1976) traced, but she was married in 1840 to Robert Palmer(2); the marriage was apparently childless(3).

Robert Palmer was a farmer and they lived at Long Sutton in Somerset for about thirty years; later on they moved to Taunton, which continued to be Eliza Palmer's home during twenty years of widowhood. One of the attractions of this delightful home was its garden, from which Eliza was able to continue her bountiful gifts of fruit and flowers.

Eliza Palmer's estimate of herself was a humble one, but her character was marked by clear judgment, sound practical common sense and considerable executive ability. She was warm hearted and sympathetic and although she had a strong sense of her own shortcomings, she was quick to recognise the deepening of spiritual life in others.

Her closing years were clouded by loss of memory and increasing feebleness and she who had been so strong and self reliant had to learn the lesson of dependence on others. She died at Taunton on 6 February 1894(4), at the age of eighty eight.

She was an elder of West Somerset monthly meeting.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Yearly Meeting Proceedings 1894, pp 170-171 (Testimony of West Somerset MM)

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a grocer
- 2 The wedding was at Sheffield on 14 May 1840: he is described as a widower, a farmer of Long Sutton in Somerset, the son of William Palmer, a farmer; she is described as a spinster of Upperthorpe, Sheffield, the daughter of David Mallinson, a grocer (Digest of Marriages)
- 3 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as of Frieze Hill, Taunton, the widow of Robert

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

PALMER, George (1818-1897)

George Palmer, the son of William Palmer III (1788-1826 qv) and his wife Mary (born Isaac, 1786-1880 qv) of Long Sutton in Somerset, was born there on 18 January 1818(1). He was educated at Sidcot School from 1827 to 1832(2) and appears to have been happy there; he had an early interest in science and worked hard to keep going a 'Juvenile Society for Mutual Improvement in Useful Knowledge.' He left school at the age of fourteen and a half and was apprenticed to his uncle Robert Hitchcock, who had married his aunt Priscilla Palmer (1784-1845 qv) and was a confectioner and miller at Taunton.

His days at Taunton were happy and constructive. He began to develop his lifelong interest in politics and public affairs and helped to organise, when he was only twenty, part of a grand trades procession to commemorate Queen Victoria's coronation in 1838. A visit to Bristol proved a turning point in his life; he came across some biscuits made by Thomas Huntley (1803-1857 qv) of Reading and took some of them back to his uncle. He clearly recalled this event sixty years later, remembering his sense of excitement at his discovery and his desire to learn more about Thomas Huntley's business. As soon as he was out of his indentures, in 1840, he went to Cardiff with his mother and sister Mary Ovens Palmer (1822-1844 qv). He was there less than a year and his purpose may have been to learn something about engineering, for by the middle of 1841 the three of them were in Reading, where his brother William Isaac Palmer (1824-1893 qv) was already apprenticed to Thomas Huntley's brother Joseph (1807-1895 qv), an ironmonger with a business in London Street.

George may have known from his brother that Thomas Huntley was looking for a partner to take his father's place in the biscuit bakery and confectioner's business the latter had built up and on 24 June 1841 a partnership was concluded, to run initially for three years, but its conclusion was overlooked and it continued in existence until Thomas Huntley's death. Thomas Huntley's status as senior partner was recognised in various ways, but George Palmer was to manage the manufacturing department, where he would spend at least five hours a day; the remainder of his time was to be devoted to the general duties of the business, including sales and all the correspondence. He lived over the shop and his sister Mary Ovens Palmer joined him as an assistant.

The drive and energy which were the Palmers' inheritance from their Clark ancestors soon became apparent and during the first year of the partnership George installed the first steam driven machine for mixing the dough, rented additional premises and extended the firm's business by judicious advertising. His go-ahead methods sometimes gave his more

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cautious partner some misgivings, but George's ideas and improvements continued to advance the firm's prosperity. More machinery was introduced, a nation-wide network of correspondents was set up to publicise the firm's products and a great advance was the marketing of the biscuits in returnable tin boxes, manufactured by Joseph Huntley. The opening of a new factory in Kings Road gave a tremendous boost to expansion, as also did the coming of the railways, which revolutionised the transport of goods.

But George Palmer never lost his interest in service to the community and when the pressure of organisation within the factory eased he felt free to turn some of his energy into other channels. His first public office was concerned with education, when he became secretary of the Boys' School established on the system introduced by Joseph Lancaster (1778-1838 qv). He was for thirty five years a conscientious and effective town councillor during a period of unprecedented change and was principally concerned with the effect upon the town's cleanliness of the open gutters which ran through the main streets. A new Board of Health was set up, on to which he was rapidly co-opted and a massive clearance scheme was put in hand. He was an Alderman and served as Mayor of Reading in 1857.

In 1850 he had married Elizabeth Meteyard, or Meteyard, of Basingstoke(3) and there were ten children of the marriage(4). The family had several Reading addresses until in 1865 he moved into the Acacias, a fairly modest, unpretentious villa which some of his friends thought consort ill with his standing in the town and his ownership of some two thousand acres of land in Berkshire, Hampshire, Oxfordshire and Surrey. But he found his modest house comfortable, large enough for his seven surviving children and centrally situated, so that he could walk to the factory every day. A remote consequence of his choice of house was that in the twentieth century, through the generosity of his sons, it was to form the nucleus of the University College, and later still Reading University.

In the 1870s he became a landowner on a more important scale by the purchase of two adjoining estates at Bothampstead and Eling; he farmed Eling for himself through a manager and both there and at Bothampstead he tried out various schemes which involved leasing allotments and small holdings to deserving tenants. Some of these ventures failed for reasons beyond his control, but he was not always as cautious as he should have been in matters outside his professional competence. Ten years later he acquired Marlston and another eleven hundred and seventy acres, and Marlston House he made his country retreat, although it was on no more grandiose a scale than the Acacias.

Thomas Huntley's death in 1857 brought to an end the first partnership. His son Henry Evans Huntley (1833-1919 qv) showed no inclination to take his father's place and his brief spell of twenty months in the business had not been a success; he was content with his life as a Dorset landowner. The business therefore passed entirely into the hands of George Palmer and his two brothers Samuel (1820-1903 qv) and William Isaac. The name of Huntley and Palmer, biscuit makers of Reading, was retained, but from this time onwards no member of the Huntley family took an active part in it, although Joseph Huntley held a watching brief on behalf of the remaining members of his family.

In 1878 George Palmer was elected to Parliament as a Liberal, one of the two M.P.s for Reading. He had strong reservations about taking up a new life at the age of sixty, but responded to the personal appeal of John Bright (1811-1889 qv), the former cabinet minister who was then the doyen of the Quakers in Parliament. George's rare and brief contributions earned him the title of 'silent member' and it is likely that parliamentary life never appealed to him, but his advice was often sought on commercial matters. In 1885 he stood down when the number of Reading seats was reduced to one; he was defeated when he contested the newly created Newbury division of Berkshire and did not seek re-election again.

While an M.P. he took a town house in Grosvenor Square, not because it was fashionable but because it was equidistant between Paddington Station and the House of Commons. His fellow members could not understand why he did not launch out into society, but he was a good Quaker and although his attitude towards music and temperance was sometimes ambiguous he tried to be faithful to the principles of the Society. He was an elder and held various offices, being in particular concerned for the well being of the smaller meetings; he kept Henley Meeting from dying out practically single handed and before the end of his life had the joy of seeing a new meeting house built there.

He had a natural dislike of demonstrations of any kind and his testimony in meetings for worship were not frequent, "but were always marked by much earnestness, directness and depth of feeling. Despite great wealth and high position . . . he ever remained modest and simple hearted. His conscientiousness, integrity and high principle were widely evident; but he never claimed anything on this ground, and during his illness he expressed himself as resting entirely on the merits of the Redeemer and His accomplished work."

In 1891 he was given the freedom of Reading at a ceremony in the Town Hall and on the same day his statue was unveiled at the east end of Broad Street; as a fitting end to the ceremonies he assisted at the opening of Palmer Park, an area of land of about forty acres which he had given to the town as a recreation centre.

His appearance in later life resembled less that of an entrepreneur than of a retired sea captain, with his shaggy white beard, florid complexion and light grey-blue eyes with a far away look. His manner was abrupt and he had, and could afford to maintain, the rough unpolished exterior of one who never needed to ingratiate himself with more complex if thinner skinned people. He was in fact a shy man, who was very fond of children and others who were underprivileged in any way. He had, for all his good business judgment, a strong streak of irresponsibility and could not be deaf to those who sought his help. He had dealt harshly with employees who wanted an increase in wages, but his benefactions were numerous and he was generous in his help for those who were trying to set themselves up in business. Yet he often allowed himself to be put upon by spongers, handing out money indiscriminately, and Reading in his lifetime was said to have become the haunt of beggars from all over the kingdom.

He died at Reading on 19 August 1897(5), at the age of seventy nine.

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

T.A.B.Corley, Quaker Enterprise in Biscuits, London 1972, pp 27-120
Testimony of Reading MM in IM Proceedings 1898, p 153

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1898, p 94
The Friend (1897) pp 574, 560
Emden, Quakers in Commerce, p 180 (portrait)
Knight, A History of Sidcot School, 94, 96, 97

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

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 Sidcot School Register 1808-1912, p 136
- 3 The wedding was at Basingstoke on 17 January 1850: he is described as a bachelor, a biscuit baker of 72 London Street, Reading, the son of William Palmer, a yeoman; she is described as a spinster of Basingstoke, the daughter of Robert Meteyard, a chemist (Digest of Marriages)
T.A.B.Corley, op cit, gives Meteyard as the spelling of her surname
- 4 Listed in Digests of Births, Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

George William qv	b 23 May 1851	who m 1879 Eleanor Barrett
Alfred qv	b 25 Aug 1852	who m Alice Exall
a son	b 7 Oct 1853	who d 7 Oct 1853
Francis	b 25 April 1855	no further trace in 1975
Emily	b 8 Sept 1856	no further trace in 1975
Walter qv	b 4 Feb 1858	who m Jean Craig
Alice Mary	b 24 July 1859	no further trace in 1975
Lewis	b 9 Nov 1860	no further trace in 1975
Lucy Elizabeth	b 21 July 1862	no further trace in 1975
Caroline	b 11 Aug 1864	no further trace in 1975
- 5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a biscuit manufacturer of the Acacias, Reading

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Additional references

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Palmer, George, 1818-1897

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An. Mon. (N.S.), 56(1898:94)

The Friend (London), 37(1897):574, 560

Emden, Qu. in Commerce, 180 (portrait)

Knight, A history of Sidcot School, 94, 96, 97.

PALMER, Hannah (1712/3-1801) born Corbyn

Hannah Corbyn, the daughter of John Corbyn (-) and his wife Candia (born Handley,), was born on 11.xi.1712 [i.e. January 1712/3](1).

She was married in 1735 to Julius Palmer (1706-1774 qv) and there were eight children(2).

Hannah Palmer of Worcester died on 17 March 1801, at the age of eighty eight(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Hereford, Worcester & Wales GM Births Digest: her place of birth and her father's occupation are not given; her name is given as Corbin
See also Bernard Thistletonwaite, The Bax Family, p 276
- 2 For marriage and children see PALMER, Julius (1706-1774)
- 3 Hereford, Worcester & Wales GM Burials Digest: she is described as a widow

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

PALMER, Hannah (1761-1816) born Clark

Hannah Clark, the daughter of Joseph Clark (1723?-1789 qv) and his wife
Hannah (born 1735?-1803 qv) of the parish of Camely in Somerset,
was born on 28 March 1761(1).

She was married in 1783 to William Palmer (1754-1816 qv), a yeoman of Long Sutton in Somerset and there were nine children(2).

Hannah Palmer of Long Sutton died on 3 July 1816, at the age of fifty nine(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: her place of birth and her father's occupation are not given
- 2 For marriage and children see PALMER, William (1754-1816)
- 3 Bristol & Somerset QM Burials Digest: no description of her is given

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

PALMER, Jane (1823-1901) after 1851 Ring

[Jane Palmer, daughter of Walter Palmer (1793-1868 qv)
and his first wife Ann (born Parsons, 1797-1833 qv) of
Upton in Somerset, was married in 1851 to John Young
Ring (1808-1883 qv) of Bedminster in Somerset.

See RING, Jane (1823-1901) born Palmer]

PALMER, Joseph (1798-1873)

Joseph Palmer, the son of William Palmer (1754-1816 qv) and his wife Hannah (born Clark, 1761-1816 qv) of Long Sutton in Somerset, was born there on 3 July 1798(1).

He was at first a grazier at Charlton Mackrell in Somerset, later becoming a farmer at Elberton(2).

He was twice married. He married firstly in 1825 Rebecca Eddington (1802-1830 qv) of Yatton in Somerset(3) and there were three children(4). He married secondly in 1847 Phebe Mallinson (1801-1892 qv) of Sheffield(5), but the marriage was apparently childless(6).

Joseph Palmer of Bridgwater in Somerset died on 25 August 1873, at the age of seventy five(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entries, notes 3 and 5
- 3 The wedding was at Claverham on 16 November 1825: he is described as a grazier of Charlton Mackrell in Somerset, the son of William and Hannah Palmer of Long Sutton in Somerset; she is described as the daughter of William and Mary Eddington of Yatton in Somerset
(Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Bristol & Somerset QM Births and Burials Digests as follows:-

*Joseph	b 29 Oct 1826
*Mary Hannah	b 28 Jan 1828
William Eddington	b 30 Jan 1830
	d 21 April 1850

*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1903
- 5 The wedding was at Sheffield on 6 May 1847: he is described as a widower, a farmer of Elberton, the son of William Palmer, a farmer; she is described as a spinster of Sheffield, the daughter of David Mallinson, a grocer
(Digest of Marriages)
- 6 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a gentleman

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

PALMER, Julius (1706-1774)

Julius Palmer, the son of Julius Palmer (1672/3-1732? qv) and his wife Mary (born Bissell,), was born on 30.v.[July] 1706(1).

He was married in 1735 to Hannah Corbyn (1712/3-1801 qv)(2) and there were eight children(3).

Julius Palmer died on 10 February 1774, at the age of sixty seven(4).

PALMER, Joseph (1798-1873)

Joseph Palmer, the son of William and Hannah Palmer of Long Sutton in Somerset, was born there on 3 July 1798(1).

He was at first a grazier of Charlton Mackrell in Somerset, later becoming a farmer at Elberton(2).

He was married twice. His first marriage was in 1825 to Rebecca Eddington (1802-1830 qv) of Yatton in Somerset(3) and there were three children(4). Rebecca Palmer died in 1830 and Joseph married secondly in 1847 Phebe Mallinson of Sheffield(5); this second marriage was apparently childless(6).

Joseph Palmer of Bridgwater in Somerset died on 25 August 1873 at the age of seventy five(7).

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- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entries, notes 3 and 5
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- 4 Listed in Bristol & Somerset QM Births and Burials Digests
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- 5 The wedding was at Sheffield on 6 May 1847: he is described as a widower, a farmer of Elberton, the son of William Palmer, a farmer; she is described as a spinster of Sheffield, the daughter of David Mallinson, a grocer (Digest of Marriages)
- 6 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a gentleman

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

PALMER, Julius (1672/3-1732)

Julius Palmer, the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Palmer of Bridgnorth, Shropshire, was born there on 28.xii.1672 (i.e. February 1672/3). (1) He lived in Worcester and in 1699 he married Mary Bissill (2); there were eight children of the marriage. (3) He is described as having "good Conversations . . . Diligence in Attending Meetings . . . Watchfulness over young friends . . . and Zeal for promoting Piety & Virtue."

The date of his death is unknown. (4)

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Worcester QM 10.iii.(May)1732 in TUND vol.1 p.57

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Herefordshire, Worcestershire & Wales QM Births Digest: he was born on 28.xii.1672 (i.e. February 1672/3), the son of Thomas and Elizabeth
- 2 The wedding was at Dudley on 6.x. (December) 1699; he is described as a lock maker of Bridgnorth, the son of Thomas Palmer of Bridgnorth; she is described as the daughter of John Bissill of Rowley Regis in the county of Staffordshire (Herefordshire, Worcestershire & Wales Marriages Digest)
- 3 Listed in Herefordshire, Worcestershire & Wales Births Digest as follows:-

Thomas	b 6.xii.1700 (i.e. February 1700/1701)
Elizabeth	b 10.x. (December) 1702
John	b 15.i.1705 (i.e. probably March 1704/5 but possibly March 1705/6)
Julius	b 30.v. (July) 1706
Joseph	b 28.iii. (May) 1709
Mary	b 28.ii. (April) 1711
Joseph	b 13.vi. (August) 1713
Mary	b 10.v. (July) 1716
- 4 His death is not traced in Herefordshire, Worcestershire & Wales Burials Digest

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PALMER, Lewis, 1837-1917

b. Oct. 2, 1837 in Concord Township, Pa., son
of Charles and Deborah (Pitman) Palmer.

ed. under Samuel M. Janney in Louden County,
Va. and also in the schools of Chester County, Pa.

m., 1862, Hannah H. Pancoast of Salem County, N.J.
They had 6 children. L.P. was a farmer.

| 1875 recognized a minister.

1892 removed to Concordville, Pa. He was an
early member of the Delaware County Institute of
Science. He was a school director and a worker for
temperance. He published a genealogical record of
the Palmer and Trimble families.

d. Jan. 6, 1917 and was buried at Concordville,
Pa. in his 80th year.

Frds. Intel., 74(1917):27

Information from his son Charles Palmer.

PALMER, Lydia (1799-1874) born Mallinson

Lydia Mallinson, the daughter of David Mallinson (1762-1833 qv) and his wife Phebe (born Buck, 1770-1837 qv) of Sheffield, was born there on 26 November 1799(1).

She was married in 1820 to Thomas Palmer (1794-1825 qv), an ironmonger of Leeds and there were three children(2).

Lydia Palmer of Huddersfield died on 2 November 1876, at the age of seventy five(3), a widow for over fifty years.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a grocer
- 2 For marriage and children see PALMER, Thomas (1794-1825)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Thomas

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1875, p 110: 2 line entry for death, the widow of Thomas Palmer

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

PALMER, Martha (1797-1892) born Eddington

Martha Eddington, the daughter of William Eddington (1755?-1806 qv) and his wife Mary, born Wilkins, of Yatton in Somerset, was born there on 23 December 1797(1). She was sent to Sidcot School in the year 1811(2).

She was married in 1835 to Walter Palmer, a grazier of Long Sutton in Somerset(3), but the marriage was apparently childless(4).

Walter Palmer died in 1868(5) and Martha Palmer of Yatton survived him for many years, dying on 15 March 1892 at the age of ninety four(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: her father is described as a grazier
- 2 Sidcot School Register 1808-1958, p 66
- 3 The wedding was at Claverham on 6 May 1835: he is described as a grazier of Long Sutton in Somerset, the son of William and Hannah Palmer of Long Sutton; she is described as the daughter of William and Mary Eddington of Yatton (Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 No children are traced in Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest
- 5 Digest of Deaths: he died 30 December 1868, aged 76
- 6 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Walter

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

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PALMER, Mary, afterwards Griffin, 1710-1810

see GRIFFIN, Mary

PALMER, Mary (1716-1759) after 1743 Newman

[Mary Palmer, daughter of Julius Palmer (1672/3-1732? qv)
and his wife Mary (born Bissell,
was married in 1743 to John Newman (1717/8-1760 qv) of
Coventry.

See NEWMAN, Mary (1716-1759) born Palmer]

PALMER, Mary (1734?-1788) after 1780 Drakeford, born Wild

[Mary Wild, details of whose parentage are not at present (1985) traced, was married firstly in 1763 to Paul Palmer (1726?-1778 qv) of Birmingham. She married secondly in 1780 Jonathan Drakeford (1740?-1824 qv) of Birmingham.

See DRAKEFORD, Mary (1734?-1788) formerly Palmer, born Wild]

PALMER, Mildred (1824-1915) born Merryweather

Mildred Merryweather, the youngest daughter of John Merryweather (1780-1828 qv) and his second wife Mildred King (born Good,) of Ringwood in the county of Southampton, was born there on 16 April 1824(1). She was educated at Sidest School from 1836 to 1850 continuing on as an apprentice

PALMER, Mary (1742-1783) after 1775 Young

For references to Mary, daughter of Julius (1706-1774) and Hannah Palmer (1712/3-1801, born Corbyn), who married George Young (1750-1820 qv) of Worcester in 1775

see YOUNG, Mary (1742-1783) born Palmer

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PALMER, Miriam (fl 1700-) born Gilkes

Miriam Gilkes of Sibford Gower in Oxfordshire, details of whose birth are not at present (1982) traced, was the daughter of William Gilkes(1).

She was married in 1700 to William Palmer (-1724 qv), a yeoman of Hornton in Oxfordshire, but the marriage was apparently childless(2).

The date of death of Miriam Palmer is not at present (1982) traced(3).

PALMER, Mildred (1824-1908) born Merryweather

Mildred Merryweather, the youngest daughter of John Merryweather (1780-1828 qv) and his second wife Mildred King, born Good, of Ringwood in the county of Southampton, was born there on 16 April 1824(1). She was educated at Sidcot School from 1836 to 1838, remaining on as an apprentice teacher until 1845.

She was a mistress at Ackworth School in 1845-6 and from 1847 to 1850 and a mistress at Croydon for some years. In 1886, very late in life, she married Arthur Thomas Palmer of Bournemouth(2).

They apparently retired to Weston-super-Mare, where Arthur Palmer died in 1894(3). Mildred Palmer of Winscombe died on 29 September 1908(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Sidcot School Register 1808-1958, p 142

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Dorset & Hants QM Births Digest: her father is described as a grocer and draper
- 2 The wedding was at Winchmore Hill on 21 July 1886: he is described as a widower, out of business, of Bournemouth, the son of Thomas Palmer of Leeds (deceased); she is described as a spinster of Bruce Terrace, Tottenham, the daughter of John Merryweather of Ringwood (deceased) (Digest of Marriages)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: he died 12 November 1894, aged 72, a gentleman of Weston-super-Mare
- 4 Sidcot School Register 1808-1958, p 142: her death is not traced in the Digest of Deaths

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

PALMER, Paul (1726?-1778)

Paul Palmer, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1985) traced, was born about the year 1726(1).

He was married in 1763 to Mary Wild (1734?-1788 qv) of Worcester(2), but the marriage was apparently childless(3).

Paul Palmer of Birmingham died on 22 December 1778, at the age of fifty two(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 52 at death: his birth is not traced in Warwick, Leicester & Rutland QM nor in Hereford, Worcester & Wales GM Births Digests
- 2 The wedding was at Worcester on 5 October 1763: he is described as of Birmingham; she is described as of the city of Worcester. No further information is given (Hereford, Worcester & Wales GM Marriages Digest)
- 3 No children are traced in Warwick, Leicester & Rutland QM Births Digest
- 4 Warwick, Leicester & Rutland QM Burials Digest: he is described as a bone impud turner

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

PALMER, Phebe (1801-1892) born Mallinson

Phebe Mallinson, the daughter of David Mallinson (1762-1833 qv) and his wife Phebe (born Buck, 1770-1837 qv) of Sheffield, was born there on 9 August 1801(1).

She became in 1847 the second wife of Joseph Palmer (1798-1873 qv), a farmer of Elberton, but the marriage was childless(2).

Phebe Palmer of Richmond Road, Taunton in Somerset, died on 23 October 1892, at the age of ninety one(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a grocer
- 2 For marriage see PALMER, Joseph (1798-1873)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Joseph

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

PALMER, Priscilla (1784-1845) after 1824 Hitchcock

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(Priscilla Palmer, daughter of William Palmer II (1754-1816 qv)
and his wife Hannah, born Clark, of Long Sutton in Somerset,
was married in 1824 to Robert Hitchcock.

See HITCHCOCK, Priscilla (1784-1845) born Palmer)

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PALMER, Rebecca (1802-1830) born Eddington

Rebecca Eddington, the daughter of William Eddington (1755?-1806 qv) and his wife Mary, born Wilkins, of Yatton in Somerset, was born there on 12 April 1802(1). She was educated at Sidcot School from 1811 to 1816(2).

She was married in 1825 to Joseph Palmer (1798-1873 qv), a grazier of Charlton Mackrell in Somerset and there were three children(3).

Rebecca Palmer of Glastonbury in Somerset died on 18 March 1830, at the age of twenty eight(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: her father is described as a grazier
- 2 Sidcot School Register 1808-1958, p 66
- 3 For marriage and children see PALMER, Joseph (1798-1873)
- 4 Bristol & Somerset QM Burials Digest: no description of her is given

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

PALMER, Richard (1706-1788)

Richard Palmer, the son of William Palmer I of Long Sutton in Somerset, was born in the year 1706. It is said that by 1719 the family were already Quakers, but there is at present (1975) no trace of William Palmer I in the records of the Society, nor of Richard's marriage and children. The only certain connections between the family and the early days of the Society are that Richard married a Quaker and died in membership.

He married Betty Salter from the village of Podmore(1) and there were a number of children of the marriage, among whom was William II (1754-1816 qv)(2). Betty Salter's grandfather had been converted to Quakerism by Thomas Ellwood, a close friend of George Fox and John Milton. Her father James Salter endured severe persecution before 1689; he subsequently built a meeting house in his village and was very active in monthly and quarterly meetings throughout Somerset. There is at present (1975) no evidence that Richard and Betty Palmer took an active part in the Society's affairs.

Richard Palmer died on 6 December 1788(3), aged eighty two.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

T.A.B.Corley, Quaker Enterprise in Biscuits, London 1972, p 24

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 There is no record of the marriage in Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest
- 2 No children are recorded in Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest
- 3 Bristol & Somerset QM Burials Digest: he is described as of Long Sutton, Somerset

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

PALMER, Robert (1796-1874)

Robert Palmer, the son of William Palmer (-) and his wife Hannah (born) of Long Sutton in Somerset, was born there on 5 July 1796(1).

He became a farmer at Long Sutton(2) and was twice married. His first marriage is not at present (1984) traced(3); he married secondly in 1840 Eliza Mallinson (1805-1894 qv) of Upperthorpe, Sheffield(4), but the marriage was apparently childless(5).

Robert Palmer of Taunton died on 28 April 1874, at the age of seventy seven(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 4
- 3 The marriage is not traced in any of the QM Marriages Digests of England and Wales and no children are traced in Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest
- 4 The wedding was at Sheffield on 14 May 1840: he is described as a widower, a farmer of Long Sutton in Somerset, the son of William Palmer, a farmer; she is described as a spinster of Upperthorpe, Sheffield, the daughter of David Mallinson, a grocer (Digest of Marriages)
- 5 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 6 Digest of Deaths: no description of him is given

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

PALMER, Thomas (1794-1825)

Thomas Palmer, the son of William Palmer (1754-1816 qv) and his wife Hannah (born Clark, 1761-1816 qv) of Long Sutton in Somerset, was born there on 20 October 1794(1).

He became an innman at Leeds(2) and was married in 1816 to Lydia Williams (1799-1874 qv) of Chelmsford(3); there were three children(4).

Then PALMER, Sydney William (1881 ? - 1963) (the age of thirty one(5)).

Sydney Palmer was born in about the year 1881.(1) We know nothing of his early life but he and his wife Esther were pioneer settlers in Letchworth Garden City and were active in all kinds of ways. He was active in the Adult School for men and women and was its secretary for many years. He was also a great help to pacifists and conscientious objectors and was for years secretary of the Letchworth Peace Council. Later he also served on the local Marriage Guidance Bureau.

He had been associated with Friends for many years but it was not until about 1949 that he and his second wife Lilian joined the Society,(2) becoming devoted members. He served the meeting as an elder and as P.M. clerk for seven years.(3) He served on the M.M. Trusts Management Cttee, and was a representative on the North Hertfordshire Free Church Federal Council, while he also arranged the hospital services held by Letchworth Friends. His wife Lilian died in 1960 and latterly failing health curbed his activities but he maintained his deep interest in Friends and in their activities.

He died after a long illness on April 10, 1963, aged 82.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend Vol. 121 (1963) p. 495

REFERENCES & NOTES

1. We have no date of birth, he was aged 82 at death.
2. Bedfordshire QM printed lists of members record them as attenders in 1946/7 and as members in 1950, with daughter Eleanor (1939).
3. Index of Clerks - Friends Ho. Library.
Letchworth PM. 1952 - 1958

PALMER, Walter (1793-1868)

Walter Palmer, the son of William Palmer (1754-1816 qv) and his wife Hannah (born Clark, 1761-1816 qv) of Lutton in Somerset, was born there on 27 January 1793(1).

He became a grazier at Long Sutton in Somerset(2) and was twice married. He married firstly in 1820 Ann Parsons (1797-1833 qv) of Wellington in Somerset (3) and there were six children(4). He married secondly in 1835 Martha Eddington (1797-1892 qv) of Yatton in Somerset(5), but the marriage was apparently childless(6).

Walter Palmer of Congresbury in Somerset died on 30 December 1868, at the age of seventy five(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: his father is described as a yeoman

2 He is so described in his second marriage entry, note 5

3 The wedding was at Wellington on 5 December 1820: he is described as of
Long Sutton in Somerset, the son of William and Hannah Palmer of Long
Sutton; she is described as the daughter of James and Sarah Parsons of
Wellington in Somerset (Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest)

4 Listed in Bristol & Somerset QM Births and Burials Digests and in the
Digest of Marriages as follows:-

*Sarah Ann	b 5 Sept 1821	
Jane	b 4 Aug 1823	m 1851 John Young Ring
Mary Parsons	b 18 Aug 1825	died
*Ellen	b 3 Aug 1827	
Mary Parsons	b 20 April 1830	d 10 July 1830, aged 11 weeks
Ann	b 14 July 1833	d 19 Aug 1833, aged 5 weeks

*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1890

5 The wedding was at Claverham on 6 May 1835: he is described as a grazier of
Long Sutton in Somerset, the son of William and Hannah Palmer of Long Sutton;
she is described as the daughter of William and Mary Eddington of Yatton
(Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest)

6 No children are traced in Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest nor in the
Digest of Births

7 Annual Monitor 1870, p 155: 2 line entry for death. His death is not
traced in the Digest of Deaths

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

PALMER, William (-1724)

William Palmer, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1982) traced(1), was a yeoman of Hornton in Oxfordshire(2).

He was married in 1700 to Miriam Gilkes (fl 1700- qv) of Sibford Gower in Oxfordshire(3), but the marriage was apparently childless(4).

William Palmer of Hornton died on 30.vii.[September] 1724(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 His birth is not traced in Berks & Oxon QM Births Digest: his age at death is not given
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Shutford on 23.vii.[September] 1700: he is described as a yeoman of Hornton, Oxfordshire; she is described as a spinster of Sibford Gower, Oxfordshire, the daughter of William Gilkes (Berks & Oxon QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 No children are traced in Berks & Oxon QM Births Digest
- 5 Berks & Oxon QM Burials Digest: no description of him is given

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

PALMER, William (1754-1816)

William Palmer II

William Palmer II, the son of Richard Palmer (1706-1788 qv) and his wife Betty, born Salter, of Long Sutton in Somerset, was born in 1754(1). He was married in 1783 to Hannah Clark(2) and there were nine children of the marriage(3).

There is at present (1975) no evidence that he took an active part in the life of the Society, but he prospered in the material sense and on his death left scattered holdings amounting to about a hundred and twelve acres of land in the parish, worth about £3,000. He had already distributed £1600 among his six sons, to enable them to take up farming on their own account.

He died on 11 September 1816(4), at the age of sixty two.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

T.A.B.Corley, Quaker Enterprise in Biscuits, London 1972, pp 24-25

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 His birth is not recorded in Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest
- 2 The wedding was at Halilow on 13 May 1783: he is described as a yeoman of Long Sutton, the son of Richard and Betty Palmer; she is described as of Camely in Somerset, the daughter of Joseph and Hannah Clark (Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest)
- 3 Listed in Bristol & Somerset QM Births, Marriages and Burials Digests as follows:-

Priscilla qv	b 25 Aug 1784	who m 1824 Robert Hitchcock
Mary	b 8 Sept 1785	who d 8 May 1787
William qv	b 19 July 1788	who m 1812 Mary Isaac
John	b 6 Aug 1790	no further trace in 1975
Walter	b 27 Jan 1793	who m (1) 1820 Ann Parsons (2) 1835 Martha Eddington
Thomas	b 22 Oct 1794	no further trace in 1975
Robert	b 5 July 1796	who m (2) 1840 Eliza Mallinson (1805-1894 qv) there is no trace of his first marriage in adjacent QMs
Joseph	b 3 July 1798	who m (1) 1825 Rebecca Eddington (2) 1847 Phebe Mallinson
Mary	b 1 Oct 1799	who m 1822 Jonathan Payne
- 4 Bristol & Somerset QM Burials Digest: he is described as of Long Sutton, Somerset

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

PALMER, William (1788-1826)

William Palmer III

William Palmer III, the son of William Palmer II (1754-1816 qv) and his wife Hannah, born Clark, of Long Sutton in Somerset, was born there on 19 July 1788(1). He was married in 1812 to Mary Isaac (1786-1880 qv), who was descended from the Clark family of Street in Somerset(2); there were five children of the marriage(3).

Mary Isaac brought into the solid Somerset yeoman family the Clark strain of energy and inventiveness, which were transmitted with great effect to her descendants. William Palmer himself was something of a gay Quaker; he rode to hounds and brewed home made beer and cider and his carefree way of life no doubt earned him some criticism from plain Friends. He prospered as a farmer and was able to pay his widowed mother the sum of £170 a year for the use of his late father's land, in which she had a life interest. There is no evidence that he played an active part in the Society's affairs and he did not, so far as can be ascertained, become either a minister or an elder.

Shortly after the birth of his daughter in 1822 he moved to Elberton in Gloucestershire. He rented the largest farm there from one of the Goldney family, Quakers who were connected with Bristol Old Bank and with the Coalbrookdale iron works. The Manor House, where the Palmers lived, had additional Quaker associations, having been the birthplace thirty years before of Joseph Sturge, who was distantly connected to Mary Palmer by marriage.

William Palmer died in 1826(4), at the early age of thirty seven, of heart disease following rheumatic fever.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

T.A.B.Corley, Quaker Enterprise in Biscuits, London 1972, pp 25-26

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

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: his father is described as a yeoman
- 2 The wedding was at Long Sutton on 29 April 1812: he is described as of Long Sutton in Somerset, the son of William and Hannah Palmer; she is described as the daughter of William and Elizabeth Isaac of Sturminster Newton in Dorset (Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest)
- 3 Listed in Bristol & Somerset QM Births and Burials Digests and the Digests of Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

William Clark	b 1 Aug 1815	who d 13 Nov 1820
George qv	b 18 Jan 1818	who m 1850 Elizabeth Sarah Neatyard or Neteyard
Samuel qv	b 20 Jan 1820	who m Mary Jane Marsh
Mary Ovens qv	b 17 May 1822	who d 1844

Listed in Gloucester & Wilts QM Births Digest and the Digest of Deaths as follows:-

William Isaac qv	b 31 May 1824	who d unmarried 1893
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- 4 His death is not recorded in Gloucester & Wilts QM or Bristol & Somerset QM Burials Digests

William Isaac Palmer, the son of William Palmer III (1788-1826 qv) and his wife Mary (born Isaac, 1786-1880 qv) of Long Sutton in Somerset and Elberton in Gloucestershire, was born at Elberton on 31 May 1824(1). His father died when he was two years old and he was left in the care of his mother and trustees appointed by his father. He received a sound upbringing and at the age of nine was sent to Sidcot School for five years from 1833 to 1838(2). On leaving school he was apprenticed to Joseph Huntley (1807-1895 qv), the ironmonger and founder of Huntley, Boorne and Stevens.

When his apprenticeship was completed he joined a commercial house in Liverpool, where he showed another side of his capabilities by straightening out some complicated accounts for the business. He was in touch with the business partnership of Huntley and Palmer, biscuit makers of Reading, in which his brother George (1818-1897 qv) was the junior partner and occasionally acted for them by collecting orders and accounts. In the middle of 1851 he was brought into the firm at a starting salary of £200 a year, to act as factory manager. He was utterly dependable, not given to challenging the authority of the head of the family and being unmarried would be company for his mother, who lived over the shop with a Quaker companion.

On the whole William Isaac Palmer enjoyed an easy life. He was the youngest and favourite son, who remained a bachelor all his life and his basic philosophy was contained in the remark "I have a wonderful opinion of oil. It makes machinery work easier and it is because the oil of human kindness is often forgotten that we hear of unpleasantness between masters and men." He declared that he liked to hear of any grievance within the factory at first hand, whereupon he would try his best to remedy it. His men had a deep respect for George Palmer, but it was Thomas Huntley (1803-1857 qv) and William Isaac Palmer who won their real devotion.

He was a more successful landowner than his brothers and at his summer home of Grazeley Court near Reading he concentrated on the rearing of cattle, for which he had a marked aptitude, but his claim to public recognition rested upon his liberal and disinterested philanthropy. He was deeply involved in the temperance movement, supported at his own cost a free library in Reading and when a municipal library and reading room were planned he donated £25,000 towards the cost, as well as handing over all the books from his own free library. His private benefactions were on a similar scale and no-one in need ever turned to him in vain.

He was a lifelong Quaker, although he was never recorded as a minister nor accepted the office of elder, although the latter was

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frequently urged upon him. But his presence and counsel in meetings for worship and discipline were valuable and weighty and were such as to give him the status of an elder. He was "gentle unto all, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves;" and although not a minister, his whole life was one of ministry. "The large heart of William Palmer could not be satisfied with affording assistance to an established organization, to a deserving cause, to those requiring temporary help. He befriended the hopeless as they left the prison gates; he silently charged himself with the support of the permanently incapacitated and incurable; to have disappointed and grieved him, to have fallen not once nor twice, seemed to constitute an enduring claim upon his time and purse and prayers. His was a charity that not only gives, but ever hopeth and believeth all things, even in those who have ceased to hope for and believe in themselves."

After his mother's death he became even more prodigal of his time and resources in the service of others, as if she had acted as a brake upon the impulsive, unstable side of his nature. He knew that he was often cheated, but felt that the responsibility rested not with him but with those who took advantage of his openhandedness. His life was described as one of 'rushing hither and thither on the railway and across country' and it is not very surprising that he should have died of a ruptured artery in his abdomen at the age of sixty eight, on 4 January 1893(3). On his death his benefactions and promises of funds were found to exceed his assets, which were valued at £123,000, and his brothers had to make up the deficiency from their own resources.

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

T.A.B. Corley, Quaker Enterprise in Biscuits, London 1972, pp 11-122
Testimony of Reading MM in YM Proceedings 1893, p 141

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1894, p 125
The Friend 1893, p 41 (portrait)

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

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PALMER, William Isaac (1824-1893)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Gloucester & Wilts QM Births Digest: his father is described as a yeoman
- 2 Sidcot School Register 1808-1912, p 137
- 3 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a biscuit manufacturer of Reading

WBE:
Additional references

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PALMER, William Isaac, 1824-1893

An. Mon. (N.S.), 52(1894):125

The Friend (London), 33(1893):41 (portrait)

WBE:

PALMER, William Jackson, 1836-1909

b. September 18, 1836 near Leipzig, Kent Co.,
Delaware, son of John and Matilda (Jackson) Palmer.

1842 family removed to Philadelphia, Pa.

ed. public schools of Phila.

1858-61 served as secretary to J. Edgar Thompson,
an executive of the Penna. R.R.

1861 during the Civil War became a captain in the
15th Penna. Cavalry and rose to Brevet-general. He was
not disowned by Friends for this service.

After the war promoted railroads in Mexico and
Western U.S.A. Was owner of Denver & Rio Grande Western, R.R.

m., 1870, Mary Lincoln. 3 daughters.

1874 one of the founders of Colorado College.

1908 thrown from a horse and badly injured.

d. March 13, 1909 at Glen Eyrie, near Colorado
Springs, Colo., in his 73rd year.

Jour. Frds. Hist. Soc., 14:48

Frds. Intel., 54:296; 66:184,225

DAB 14:195

Clothier, Letters of General Wm. J. Palmer (portrait)

WBE:

PALSER, Ernest M., c.1870-1935

b. c.1870 Hawksbury, Upton, Glous., so of

ed. Old Hall School, Wellington, Shrops.

1896 assistant master at Westminster City School,
London, Eng.

m., 1901, Mary Elizabeth Minnett

He and his wife both became convinced and joined
Friends. He worked for peace and was noted as modest
and truthful.

1910 promoted to second master and senior English
master at Westminister, a post he held for 25 years.
Compiled the Westminster City School hymnal.

d. April 29, 1935 at Muswell Hill, London, age
65 vyears.

The Friend (London), 93(1935):437, (portrait, 438)

WBE:

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PANCOAST, Hannah, nee Scattergood f11695-1726

b. Burlington, N.J., daughter
of Thomas (?) and *Elizabeth*^(Jarvis) Scattergood.

m. 1695 William Pancoast of Burlington County, N.J.

c.1726 recognized a minister.

Hinshaw, Encyc., 2:257

John Smith's Ms. 2:646

N. J. Colonial Document, Calendar of Wils. - 405

WBE:

PANCOAST, Joseph, 1805-1882

b. Nov. 23, 1805, near Burlington, N.J., son
of John and Ann (Abbott) Pancoast.

ed. M.D. Univ. of Penna.

m., 1829, Rebecca Abbott. children.

Taught at the Phila. School of Anatomy and held
other appointments including that of Physician of Phila.
Hospital (Blockley) - predecessor to Phile. General
Hosp. Also on staff of Jefferson Hospital.

1852 published Operative Surgery, &c

1854 At Penna. Hospital where he was beloved and
honored by all who knew him. Author of numerous works
on medicine and surgery.

d. March 7, 1882 in Phila. Pa., in his 77th year.

Jos. Smith's Cat., Sup., 260

Frds. Intel., 39(1883):74

DAB, 14:198

PAPUNAHUNG - or - PAPOOONAHAL - (1705-1775)

A native Delaware Indian Chief of the Minsi tribe, born about 1705. Bishop de Schweinitz ('Life and Times of David Zeisberger', 265, ff.) places him prominently among the savage preachers, somewhat like their 'medicine men', who attempted to counteract the influence of the Moravian Missionaries. The period of their peculiar 'preaching' lasted some thirty years. Papunahung was early converted by the Moravian Pastor Zeisberger, who visited his village of Wyalusing on the Susquehanna in 1745. Conrad Weiser, Indian Commissioner, was there even earlier. Papunahung consistently pursued a Christian life, and unfailingly led his people in the paths of peace and righteousness. Throughout his life he remained in close touch with, and under the influence of, the mother church in Bethlehem. He was baptised in 1763 at Wyalusing and received the name of John Papunahung or 'Minsi John'. With his wife, Ann Joanna, and child, he is named in the list of baptized persons of the Moravian Church at Bethlehem, in 1771. (W.C. Reichel, 'Transactions of the Moravian Historical Soc.' Church Diary, I. 217.) John Hays, who accompanied Ch. Frederick Post on his missionary tour to the village of Wyalusing in 1760, in his diary, calls him 'Wampoonham: a very Religious, Civilized man in his own way, and shewed us a great deal of kindness.' (Pa. Archives, III 736) Bishop de Schweinitz says, 'God overruled the man's discourses, to the awakening of his tribe.' Papunahung died May 15, 1775, at the age of seventy.

The land on which he settled at Wyalusing - the old Indian Mackhackloosing. 'The Place of the Hoary Veteran' was granted to Papunahung by the Iroquois, after the peace. In November, 1768, the Iroquois, at the Treaty of Fort Stanwix sold this land to the agents of the Penns; John Penn, however, promised to allow Papunahung's people to remain undisturbed on a nearby tract. Knowing from bitter experience the dangers involved in too close proximity to the English, the Church at Bethlehem determined to remove them to the Moravian settlement in Ohio, which was carried out in 1772. Job Chilaway, who remained behind, became the practical owner of the land.

There is much reference to Teedyuscung and Papunahung, the great Chiefs of the Delawares, in the Records of the Meeting for Sufferings, in Philadelphia. Various accounts of him exist; the Tract No. 50 called 'John Papoonahung, the Converted Indian' issued by the Tract Association of Friends, 304 Arch St. Phila. does not follow Anthony Benezet's manuscript but is probably based on it.

Note in 'The Journal of John Woolman', 1922, pp. 547-8

WBE:
Additional information

PAPUNAHUNG or PAPOONAHAL, 170~~9~~-1775

The Friend (London), 6(1848):137

Bul. Frds. Hist. Soc., 9:114

WBE:

PAQUET, Alfons, c.1881-1944

b. c.1881 at Weisbaden, Germany.

ed. Grammar School. Universities of Heidelberg,
Munich and Jena.

Apprenticed to a clothier in London (1896)

Joined the staff of the Frankfurter Zeitung.

m., Maria Steinhausen. 6 children.

1933, joined Friends. He ~~cage~~ to the All-Friends
Conference at Swarthmore, Pa. Afterwards he translated
Journal of John Woolman into German.

A poet of considerable skill. Some of his work
includes: Amerika unter den Regenbogen, Skizze zu
einem Selbstbildniss, &c.

d. Feb. 8, 1944 at Frankfurt, Germany, aged 63.

Frds. Qu. Exam., 79:20

The Friend (London), 102(1944):121, 129,228

Frds. Hist. Lib., Swarth., BX 7617

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PARISHO, Eli Harris, 1860?-1928

b. in Hardin Co., Iowa, son of Samuel and Celia
Harris Parisho.

At age 10 moved with family to Clay Co., Iowa.

Taught at age 18.

ed. Penn Coll; M.A., U. of Kansas, 1909.

m., 1888 Zora Allegaugh. 3 children.

1891 began with wife evangelistic mtgs. in Minn.
and Iowa. Pastor in Ida Grove, Linden, Scranton, Paton,
Center, and Kellogg communities (Iowa)

Also served mtgs. in Missouri, Nebraska, and Kansas, and
Idaho.

Established Chapel Academy at Chapel, Putnam Co., Mo.

1901 Principal of Whittier Academy, Salem, Iowa.

1904-08, 1913-17 Pres. of Nebraska Central College.

1918 Principal of Greenleaf Seminary, Greenleaf,
Idaho.

1915-16 Clerk, Nebraska Y. Mtg.

A successful teacher.

Pastor of Aurora Mtg. near Stickney, South Dakota,
at death.

d. 12 May 1928 near Stickney, South Dakota, aged 68 yrs.
The Am. Fd., 16 (1928), 572
Elliott, Errol T., Qu. on the Am. Frontier, 393
Minutes of Nebraska Y. Mtg. (1928), 72

PARK, Jane (1793?-1871) after 1825 Brayshaw

[Jane Park, daughter of Richard and Mary Park of
Staunton Dale in Yorkshire, was married in 1825
to Benjamin Brayshaw (1793?-1863) (w).]

See BRAYSHAW, Jane (1793?-1871) [née Park.]

PARK, James (1636-1696)

see PARKE, James (1636-1696)

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PARKE, James (1636-1696)

James Parke (Park, Parks) lived in Horslydown, South of the Thames. He had formerly lived in North Wales. In 1666 he was one of the signatories to a long epistle 'Agt Loose spirits denying ministry &c'. (Sundry Ancient Epistles, pp.93-97), and in 1689 his name is placed first among Friends signing an epistle re 'Corruptions Creeping in Abot Mariges' (ibid. p.100). His name occurs twenty-six times in First-days Meetings. He spoke at the burial of George Fox. Bugg calls Parke to account about some money in his hands (The Painted Harlot Both Stript and Whipt, by Francis Bugg, 1682, p.79). He was a useful man in the examination of manuscripts in the Morning Meeting (Jnl. FHS xiv.3, xviii.3). He himself wrote numerous pamphlets. Parke married Frances Ceele (1634?-1696) a widow, of Horslydown, in 1667. He took part in disputes with John Wigan, as given in J.W.'s Antichrists Strongest Hold Overturned, 1665.

Davies: Account of Convinement, 1710 p.101

Concurrence and Unanimity, 1711 p.178

Premonitory Extracts, 1809 p.208

DNB

original letters and MSS in Friends House

Note by N. Penney in G. Fox, Short Journal, 1925, p.319

WBE:
Additional references

PARKE, James, 1636-1696

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Penney, ed. Jour. of G. Fox, 1:395, 495

Besse, 1:484

John Smith's Ms., 2:627

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:254

Fds. Hist. Lib, Swarth., BX7614

PARKE, James

(9 1675)

James Parke of Urswick is mentioned twice. The James Parke of this page may be another of the name. There was a James of the Height-in-Newland who according to the Registers was 'drowned upon the Sands' in 1709.

The following appears in the Record, under date of Tenth Month (Dec.) 1703: 'James Park being gon a ay out of ye reach of his creditors this meeting concludeth to advise with ye next monthly meeting about ye method which may be most servicable for the clearing of the Truth'. The Monthly Meeting issued a paper against him and warned Friends in other parts of his misbehaviour.

Note by Norman Penney in 'The Household Account Book of Sarah Fell'
1920, p.535

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PARKE, Thomas, 1660-1738.

b. 1660; Ireland.

m. Rebecca.

ca.1724, came to the neighborhood of Caln Meeting,
Penn., and settled there.

An elder.

James Penkerton Parke
1783 -
joined Phila Soc for Alleviation
the miseries in the Publick Rooms
See member 2 Pri. Soc for
other info

...ion of Irish Quakers into

...ary D., A sketch of Owen Biddle . . . , pp. 37-42.

WBE:

PARKE, Thomas, 1749-1835

b. Oct. 6, 1749 at East Caln Township, Penna., son
of Thomas and Parke.

ed. at local schools and under Robert Proud in Philadelphia. Began medical study under Cadwalader Evans. 1767 studied at the College of Phila. (later Univ. of Penna.) under Dr. William Shippen and Dr. Adam Kuhn and chemistry under Dr. Benjamin Rush.

1770 received his Bachelor of Medicine degree and went overseas to study at Edinburgh and London. Also attended Friends meetings while there. Returned to Phila.

m., 1774, Rachel Pemberton, dau. of James. 5 children.

1777 Physician at Penna. Hosp. until 1823 when he retired. Interested in care of the Insane.

1777 sought to secure release of the Phila. Quakers who were being held in Virginia.

1778 became a director of the Library Company. Also a member of the American Philosophical Society. Friend of Humphrey Marshall, the botanist.

d. Jan. 9, 1835 in Phila. in his 86th year.

Wm. and Mary Quart., 6 (1949):569 (portrait)

Pa. Mag. of Hist. & Biog., 75(1951):237

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PARKEN, Caroline Elizabeth, 1792-1874

b. 1792 at Dunstable, England. Her parents were Baptists and well to do. The family removed to Exeter after the death of her mother.

C.E.P. removed to London to live with a Lawyer brother and entered society. She was concerned with conditions of the poor.

1823 she was attending the worship of various religious bodies. Went to Friends meetings at Martin's Lane, Westminster and at Islington.

1827 convinced and received into membership. Soon after she felt called to give a message, which she spoke "in fear and great joy".

| 1837 acknowledged a minister. Travelled considerably with her friend Elizabeth Dudley. Later she also travelled with Rachel Sturges.

1859 went to live with her brother at St. Albans and still later to Bournemouth.

d. May 28, 1874 and was buried at Poole, aged 83.

The Friend (London), 14(1874):170

An. Mon. (N.S.), 33(1874):110

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PARKER, Alexander (1628-1689)

Alexander Parker was of Bowlands, Lancs. Convinced at Lancaster (cf. F.P.T., 306, presumably reading Lacaster for Lavaster). a frequent travelling companion of Fox's. 'well-educated, and a man of gentlemanly carriage' (B.Q., 178). three of whose daughters married clergymen, and who represented Friends at court; suggesting that he was a scion of the Parkers of Browsholme, then, as now, the leading family in Bowland, rather than one who had 'exercised the Trade of a Butcher' (Croese, H.G., 70). cf. D.N.B. ('His letters, preserved in the Swarthmore MSS., show a practical acquaintance with men and affairs, very different from the mystic utterances of some of his contemporaries'); C.J., i.427; F.P.T., 306, n.6, observing lack of a biography, despite 'abundant materials'; J.F.H.S., 1911, 30.

Note by G.F. Nuttall in Early quaker letters, 1952, p.69

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Additional information

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PARKER, Alexander, 1628-1689

b. June 21, 1628 at Chipping, near Bolton, Lancs.,
son of Robert and Parker.

ed. had a good education and was known for his
gentlemanly deportment.

Convinced and joined Friends. In 1654 went to
London with Fox to speak to the Protector.

1660 imprisoned. Suffered fines, etc.

m., Prudence Wager. 3 daughters, all of whom
later married clergymen, and 4 sons.

1684 went to Holland with Fox and 2 others.
Was one of the Valiant Sixty.

d. 8 I 1689 and was buried at Bunhill Fields, aged
about 60 years.

Evans, Friends in the 17th centry, 562

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:257; Sup., 260

Jour. of G. Fox., Bi-cent. ed., 1:207

Braithwaite, Sec. Per. of Qu., 454

History of the life of Thomas Ellwood, 347

Whiting, Persecution exposed, 184.

DNB: v. XLIII: 232-4.

PARKER, Alice (1873 ? - 1960) b. Tangye

Alice Tangye was born in about the year 1873 (1) a daughter of Joseph (1827 ? - 1902 qv.) and Martha (b. Brown - - - 1911) Tangye of Bewdley. She was trained in art at the Birmingham School of Art and was interested in water colours and embroidery. Later she developed an interest in antiques and then in local trades and industries. Many papers have been published as the result of her research. In the early years of this century (2) she married James Frederick Parker (3) and there were three children.(4) Later in about 1930 they moved to Tickenhill Manor near Bewdley, which in about the late 15th century was intended as a home for Prince Arthur, the elder brother of Henry Tudor, later to become King Henry VIII. There they gathered together a large and interesting folk museum of local crafts, trades and history.

Alice Parker was a devoted Friend, she was clerk of Bewdley Meeting for about 40 years (5) and for some twenty five years of that time she was frequently the only one attending meeting in the old Meeting House, and although it meant that she personally had to open up and close the meeting house and arrange for its(inadequate) heating she would never consider closing it down.(6)

She died on December 5, 1960 aged 87.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol. 119 (1961) p. 25

REFERENCES & NOTES

1. We have no date of birth, she was aged 87 at death.
2. The Western QJ printed lists of members for 1902 record her at her parents home in Bewdley, the list for 1907 records her as married.
3. The same lists record her in 1907 as married living in Bewdley High Street with husband Henry, an attender and son James Francis. This may have been a misprint if the husband was not well known as he is later named as James Frederick Parker.
4. Later lists of the same QJ record two more children -
 Gerard d'Astle 1908
 Alice Margaret 1910
From 1930 they are shown as living at Tickenhill.
5. Index of Clerks - Friends Hq. Library
 Bewdley M^t 1915 - 1956
6. SCJ remembers attending Bewdley Meeting during a conference there in the early fifties when he and his wife took students from Dudley Teachers Training College with them and Alice Parker was there alone having opened up. She must then have been in her late seventies and it was early in the year. Her faith has been fully justified for in the 1981 Book of Meetings Bewdley Meeting is recorded as having 36 members and a junior meeting at fortnightly intervals.

PARKER, Anna Rachel (1872-) born Fox

Anna Rachel Fox, daughter of Alexander (1837-1876, qv) and Ellen (born Phillips, 1846- , qv) Fox of Shortland, New Zealand, was born there on 29 July 1872 (1). After her father's death her mother and the children returned to England, settling in Tottenham (2). In 1890 Tottenham MM agreed 'that the name of Anna Rachel Fox - who is now married to Lindsay C. Parker and living in New Mexico, be removed from our list of members, she being a member of the Roman Catholic Church' (3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Birth Notes: she became a member of Devonshire House MM; her father is described as doctor of medicine
- 2 see DQB sv FOX, Ellen
- 3 Tottenham MM minutes 1878-1902 p.255

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PARKER, Charles (1752?-1822)

Charles Parker was a minister, of Yealand, Lancs, and a flax-dresser. His wife Sarah died in 1816 and his daughter Dorothy in 1831 aged 43. He died at Needham Market at the home of Samuel Alexander. Stephen Grellet writes of him: "My long beloved, valuable and aged friend" (1820)

Annual monitor 1823, 1832
Carr: Thomas Wilkinson. 1905. p.142

Note by Norman Penney: Pen pictures (1930) p.38

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PARKER, Charles (1748-1822)

Charles Parker was born at Hill-top near Bentham, Yorkshire in 1748, of parents belonging to the Established Church, who brought him up with a view to his entering the ministry of that church. He early declined this prospect, as the formality of the service was not to his liking, and he was apprenticed to a friend. He came into contact with Methodists and Friends, and at age 21 entered into membership of the Society. Some years later he served as an elder. At age 40 he entered the ministry of the Society.

Early in his life, he served as a teacher in the school at Ackworth. His ministerial labours were principally in the Quarterly Meetings of Westmoreland, Yorkshire, and Lancashire, and he was a frequent attender at the Yearly Meeting in London. 'For many years he was engaged in an extensive manufacturing concern, and was assiduous in promoting the religious and moral welfare of those employed in it; and since retiring from business often expressed the great comfort he felt in having been kind to his work people.'

In 1820 he visited Ireland and the western and southern counties of England. While visiting midland and eastern counties, he fell ill in a meeting appointed at his own request at Needham Market, Suffolk, on 3 July 1822, and he died on 7 July 1822. He was buried in Friends' Burial Ground at Needham Market.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE:

Testimony from the Monthly Meeting of Lancaster in TCMD vol.5 p.165

SEE ALSO:

Ann. mon.
Piety prom.

WBE:
additional information

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PARKER, Charles, 1748-1822

b. 1748 at Hill-top, Bentham, Yorks. A member of the Church of England, he became dissatisfied. Associated with Methodists, but eventually turned to Friends, was convinced and

c.1769 joined Friends at Lancaster Monthly Meeting.
c.1788 spoke as a minister. In his later years travelled extensively, visiting Ireland, and the southern and western counties of England.

Removed to live at Yealand, Lancs.

d. while travelling on Feb. 7, 1822 at Needham, Sussex, aged 74 years.

Piety pro., (1829):280

WBE:

PARKER, Elizabeth, nee , afterwards Shotwell,
1677-1759

see

Shotwell, Elizabeth, nee , later Parker, then

WBE:

PARKER, Elizabeth, afterwards Peele, 1809-1884

see

PEELE, Elizabeth, nee Parker, 1809-1884

PARKER, Elizabeth (1671-1740) born Gilkes

Elizabeth Gilkes, the youngest daughter of Thomas Gilkes (-1699 qv) and his wife Mary (born) was born in the second month [April] 1671(1).

She was married in 1705 to Nicholas Parker (-1737 qv) of Shutford in Oxfordshire and there were six children(2).

Elizabeth Parker of Shutford was buried on 21.vii.[September] 1740(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Berks & Oxon QM Births Digest: her father's occupation and her precise date of birth are not given
- 2 For marriage and children see PARKER, Nicholas (-1737)
- 3 Berks & Oxon QM Burials Digest: she is described as a widow

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

PARKER, George

(1882 - 1970)

George Parker was born on November 24, 1882. We have (in 1977) no record of his early life, except that as a young man he studied mining engineering and became a colliery manager, but that first as leading chorister at Leeds Parish Church and then as a young man, as a member of Westminster Abbey choir, his fine voice and great musical talent made it clear that his true career lay in singing. He rapidly rose to the top of his career and was one of the most distinguished and versatile English baritones of his day.(1)

In 1933 in his 51st year he moved with his wife and three children to Hitchin, Hertfordshire, and there rapidly identified himself with local music making. At the beginning of the second world war he joined a discussion group which met at the home of some Hitchin Friends and subsequently joined the Society.(2) For the next twenty nine years he was a regular and punctual attender at Meeting for Worship and at business meetings. He had a strong forthright personality, a patient sincerity and an almost child-like faith.

He died on July 16, 1970. aged 87.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Hertford & Hitchin MM
Y.M.Proc. 1972. p. 198

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. This is taken from the Testimony referred to above, but enquiries made do not reveal that he was at all well known, unless under another name.
2. Bedfordshire QM printed lists of members record him in 1941 as an attender and in 1942 as a member. The list for 1943 specifically records his wife and family as non-members.

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PARKER, Hannah (1798?-1864) born Parkinson

Hannah Parkinson, the daughter of Robert and Hannah Parkinson of Bradford in Yorkshire, was born about the year 1798(1).

She was married in 1821 to William Parker (1796?-1871 qv), a grocer of Bradford and there were eleven children(2).

Hannah Parker of Bradford died on 15 October 1864, at the age of sixty six(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 66 at death. Her birth is not traced in Yorkshire QM Births Digest
- 2 For marriage and children see PARKER, William (1796?-1871)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of William

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1867, p 118; 2 line entry for death

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

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PARKER, Hannah fl.1830

b. daughter of William and Mary
(Johnson) Parker, Presbyterians.

Worked as a child as a servant. Attended Friends
First Day School. Gradually became plain in dress.

Suffered a severe illness.

Joined Friends and soon spoke as a minister. She
was a member of Makefield Monthly Meeting. Travelled
in the ministry as far as Virginia.

Became consumptive and died.

Journal of Edward Hicks, 166-7

PARKER, John (1680 - 1727/8)

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John Parker was born 2 x [Dec] 1680 to Michael and Elizabeth Parker(1) of North Walsham, who brought him up as a Friend. He was serious as a young man and at 26 years he began to minister publicly in Meeting, his ministry being 'plain and instructive' as well as brief. His gift developed as the years advanced. His health was poor but this did not deter him from visiting other Meetings to which he could be of service.

He married Elizabeth Brown in 1704 (2) and there were 12 children(3). They lived in Norwich, first in the Parish of Augusten and after 1712 in the Parish of Saviours.

He was of limited means and was always careful to see that his wife and large family were provided for during his journeys. He was a man of uprightness and integrity, not only respected by Friends, but outside their borders.

He died on 13 xi [Jan] 1727/8 in his 48th year (4) and was buried in the Friends Burial Ground at Norwich.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Norwich MM in TCMD vol 2 p 126,7

NOTES AND REFERENCES AND NOTES

L Norfolk & Norwich QM Birth Digest , an entry in the Marriage digest describes the marriage of Michall Parker,widower, worsted weaver of N.Walsham to Elizabeth Norris 13.vii [Sept] 1678.

2 Norwich & Norfolk QM Marriage Digest - the marriage was at North Walsham on 18 vii [Sept] 1704, he is described as of Augustens Parish, Norwich, singleman; she is described as Elizabeth Browne of North Walsham, Singlewoman.

3 Elizabeth Parker,born Brown died 4 viii [Oct] 1733 aged 52
ie born 1681? (Norfolk & Norwich QM Burial Digest -

Children

Samuel	born 14.iv	[June]	1705	died 25 August 1778 aged 73
John	born 11xi	[Jan]	1706/7	died 2. xii [Feb] 1706/7
John	born 6.iv	[June]	1708	died 13.iii [May] 1709
Josiah	born 24.viii	[Oct]	1709	died 19.i [Mar] 1730/1 aged 22years
Sarah	born 14.v	[July]	1711	died 8.vii [Sept] 1711
Michael	born 29.viii	[Oct]	1712	died 2.ii [Apr] 1713
Michael	born 20.xii	[Feb]	1713/4	died 6.iii [May] 1714
Elizabeth	born 1.xii	[Feb]	1715/6	died 23.xi [Jan] 1733/4 aged 18
Sarah	born 21.ii	[Apr]	1717	died 16.xi [Jan] 1717/8
Lydia	born 2.i	[Mar]	1723/4	died 30.ii [April] 1731 aged 7 years
John	born		1719	died 2.iii [May] 1719
Sarah	born		1721/2	died 18.xi [Jan] 1721/2

(Norfolk & Norwich Birth & Burial Digest)

4 Norfolk & Norwich QM Burials Digest. The testimony, however, records that he died on the 9th and was buried on the 12th

PARKER, John (1708?-1764)

John Parker, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1985) traced, was born about the year 1708(1). He lived at Chantrey in the parish of West Witton in Yorkshire(2).

He was married in 1730 to Mary Buck (1700- qv) of Birthwaite in the parish of Ripley in Yorkshire(3) and there were four children, born between the years 1731 and 1738(4).

John Parker of Plumpton in Yorkshire died on 23 September 1764, at the age of fifty six(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 56 at death: his birth is not traced in Yorkshire QM Births Digest
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Knaresborough on 8.viii.[October] 1730: he is described as of Chantrey in the parish of West Witton in Yorkshire; she is described as of Birthwaite in the parish of Ripley in Yorkshire (Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Yorkshire QM Births and Marriages Digests as follows:-
*Mary b 17 x [Dec] 1731
*John b 14 ix [Nov] 1733
*Sarah b 28 i [March] 1736
Francis b 16 v [July] 1738 m 1761 Mary Box
- *No marriages traced in Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest
- 5 Yorkshire QM Burials Digest: no description of him is given

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

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PARKER, John, 1748-1829

b. 1748 at Wilmington, Del. His father died when J.P was young.

ed. received little formal education.

c.1762 apprenticed to someone near London Grove, Pa.
Spent some time in Georgia.

c.1774, m., Large family. They
lived near Parkerville, within the limits of Kennett Mon-
thly Meeting.

1777 captured by the British before the Battle of
the Brandywine, the experience wrought an inward change
in him. In 1778 he gave his first sermon - four words.
Like Geo. Fox, he was no man's copy - an original
character, not over particular as to food or clothing,
but spreading cheer wherever he went. His voice was loud,
clear and melodious.

1828-29 he suffered from catarrh.

d. July 12, 1829 and was buried at Birmingham (?)
Pa. At the Separation he stayed with Arch St. Friends.

Walton (Kite), Biog. Sketches, 366

Phila. Y.N. Mem. of Frds. (1788-1878), 190

Piety pro., 12th part, 77

PARKER, Joseph (-1766)

A native of Yorkshire, England. He arrived in Pennsylvania early in the eighteenth century, and served for a time as Secretary to David Lloyd. He became a man of wealth and standing in Philadelphia and married Mary, daughter of John Ladd, of New Jersey. His daughter, Mary married Charles Norris, of Philadelphia, and they were parents of Deborah Norris, who married Dr. George Logan of Stenton, the grandson of James Logan. Her contributions to history are well known. Joseph Parker died, 1766. [Penn. Logan Correspondence, &c. Vol.I xlivi.]

Note in 'The Journal of John Woolman,' 1922, pp. 586-7

PARKER, Margaret (1827-1902) after 1860 Stansfield

[Margaret Parker, daughter of William Parker (1796?-1871 qv)
and his wife Hannah (born Parkinson, 1798?-1864 qv) of
Halifax and Bradford, was married in 1860 to John Stansfield
(1818-1902 qv).]

See STANSFIELD, Margaret (1827-1902) born Parker]

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PARKER, Margaret F., ca. 1864-1933

b. ca. 1864.

Elder of Rich Square Mo. Mtg. of Friends, North Carolina.

1911-1920, Clerk, Women's Mtg., N. Carolina Y. Mtg.
(Conservative)

d. 2 Oct. 1933, aged 69 yrs.

Elliott, Errol T., Qu. on the Am. Frontier, 396
The Friend (Phila.), 107(1933), 197

PARKER, Margaret (1828-1891) born Binks

Margaret Binks, the daughter of Thomas Woolston Binks (1798-1840 qv) and his wife Anna (born Hall, 1793?-1837 qv) of Bolton le Moors in Lancashire, was born there on 23 June 1828(1).

She was married in 1854 to William Coor Parker (1823-1891 qv), a worsted spinner of Darlington, but the marriage was childless(2). Margaret Parker was a great help to her husband in all his philanthropic work; she was very hospitable and her house and heart were always open to those in need, especially to young people, for whom she had an almost parental regard(3).

Margaret Parker of Darlington died, after a lingering illness, on 25 March 1891, at the age of sixty two(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Lancashire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a grocer
- 2 For marriage see PARKER, William Coor (1823-1891)
- 3 Annual Monitor 1892, pp 76-84
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of William Coor

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

PARKER, Marjorie Coleman (1889?-1978) after 1919 Awmack

[Marjorie Coleman Parker, daughter of George Willcox and Emily Parker, was married in 1919 to Ernest Awmack (1886-1951 qv).

See AWMACK, Marjorie Coleman (1889?-1978) born Parker]

PARKER, Mary (1700-) born Buck

Mary Buck, the daughter of Francis Buck (1667-1728 qv) and his wife Anna (born Whitelock, -1754 qv) of Kirkby Malzeard in Yorkshire, was born there on 13 x [December] 1700(1).

She was married in 1730 to John Parker (17087-1764 qv) of West Witton in Yorkshire and there were four children, born between the years 1731 and 1739(2).

The date of her death is not at present (1985) traced(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and children see PARKER, John (17087-1764)
- 3 Her death is not traced in Yorkshire QM Burials Digest to 1802

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

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PARKER, May Murray, 1881-1972.

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PARKER, May [Murray] (1881 - 1972) b. Murray.

May Murray was born in 1881 in the Cape, S.Africa, the third in a family of ten children. Her father was a naval surgeon who had married a daughter of Sir John Molteno, the first Prime Minister of the Cape, after it obtained self-government. She married in 1915 Dr. Parker, an eminent physician who died after only seven years of married life.

At some time in the late thirties she must have travelled to England as during the second world war she lived at Llandrindod Wells with her friend and companion Lily Jenkins. There she first became interested in Friends.(1) In 1946 (2) she left England and returned to South Africa where she remained until in 1970 they came back to England, to Bromyard, where they stayed for the rest of her life.

May Parker was deeply concerned with the conditions of the non-whites, in the early 50s she and Lily Jenkins started a night school for them which subsequently continued in Cape Town Meeting House until with similar schools it was closed by the government. Her work and contacts were most valuable to Friends visiting and working in S. Africa and later, in the emergency of 1960, after Sharpeville she took a leading part in the relief work in the African townships and she, with other Liberals, was raided by the Security Branch in April 1964. She fully earned the love and trust of Africans by her compassion and genuine concern, shown by her visiting them in their homes and in the endless trouble she took in following up their problems with the white authorities.

She died peacefully at her home in Bromyard on July 11, 1972, aged about 90 or 91.(3)

African government.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol 130 (1972) p. 1091.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. Western QM printed lists of members for 1942/48 record her as a member living at Llandrindod Wells. Her companion, Lily Jenkins is shown as an attender in 1942 and as a member in 1944.
2. The Friend gives this date as 1946, but the Western QM printed list of members for 1948 still records her as living at Llandrindod Wells. The list for 1950 still records her as a member but living abroad at Elgin, Cape Province, S.Africa.
3. We do not know the month of her birth in 1881, so cannot calculate her exact age.

PARKER, Nicholas (-1737)

Nicholas Parker, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1982) traced(1), lived at Shutford in Oxfordshire(2).

He was married in 1705 to Elizabeth Gilkes (1671-1740 qv) of Sibford Gower in Oxfordshire(3) and there were six children(4).

Nicholas Parker of Shutford was buried on 2.ix.[November] 1737(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 His birth is not traced in Berks & Oxon QM Births Digest: his age at death is not given
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Shutford on 15.x.[December] 1705: he is described as of Shutford, Oxfordshire; she is described as a spinster of Sibford Gower in Oxfordshire (Berks & Oxon QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Berks & Oxon QM Births and Marriages Digests as follows:-

William	b 23 ix [Nov]	1706	m 1740 Hannah Jukes
*Mary	b x i [March]	1708/9	
*Thomas	b 10 i 1709	[i.e. March 1709/10]	
*John	b 7 v [July]	1712	
*Nicholas	b 24 ix [Nov]	1718	
Elizabeth	b		m 1739 James Bissell
- *No marriages traced in Berks & Oxon QM Marriages Digest to 1780
- 5 Berks & Oxon QM Burials Digest: no description of him is given

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

PARKER, William (1796?- 1871)

William Parker, the son of Daniel and Margaret Parker of Rimington in the parish of Gisburn in Yorkshire, was born about the year 1796(1).

He became a grocer at Bradford in Yorkshire(2) and was married in 1821 to Hannah Parkinson (1798?-1864 qv) of Bradford(3); there were eleven children(4). About 1827 he moved to Halifax and became a brewer and about 1836 he gave up brewing for worsted spinning, first at Halifax and later at Rastrick(5).

William Parker of Bradford died on 23 May 1871, at the age of seventy five(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 75 at death. His birth is not traced in Yorkshire QM Births Digest
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3 and the birth entries of his three eldest children
- 3 The wedding was at Bradford in Yorkshire on 26 March 1821; he is described as a grocer of Bradford, the son of Daniel, a yeoman and Margaret his wife of Stoops in the township of Rimington, in the parish of Gisburn, Yorkshire; she is described as the daughter of Robert, a grocer and Hannah Parkinson of Bradford (Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Yorkshire QM Births and Burials Digests and the Digest of Marriages as follows:-

William Coor qv	b 16 Jan 1823	m 1854 Margaret Binks
Mary	b 23 Aug 1824	d 17 Feb 1833, aged 8
Hannah	b 13 Nov 1825	d 19 Aug 1826
Margaret qv	b 1 Oct 1827	m 1860 John Stansfield (1818-1902 qv)
Robert	b 13 June 1829	d 6 June 1830
Charles	b 1 Feb 1831	d 1 June 1834, aged 3
*Sarah Hannah	b 31 July 1832	
*Frances	b 15 Feb 1834	
*Caroline	b 14 June 1835	
*Daniel	b 31 Dec 1836	
*Thomas	b 31 July 1839/40 (sic)	

- 5 *No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1905
- 6 He is so described in the birth entries of his 8 youngest children
- Digest of Deaths: he is described as out of business

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1872, p 158: 2 line entry for death

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

PARKER, William Coor (1823-1891)

William Coor Parker, the eldest son of William Parker (1796?-1871 qv) and his wife Hannah (born Parkinson, 1798?-1864 qv) of Bradford in Yorkshire, was born there on 16 January 1823(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1832 to 1835(2). He always appreciated the benefits he had received from Ackworth and took a lifelong interest in the school.

On leaving school, having shown an aptitude for figures, he obtained a situation as a bank clerk in Halifax, where his parents were then living. He continued in the bank for a few years and then left it in order to be introduced into a worsted spinning business which his father had started. He went on in 1845 to the spinning mills of Henry Pease & Co. at Darlington, of which he subsequently became manager and he remained with them for twenty two years.

He was married in 1854 to Margaret Binks (1828-1891 qv) of Wakefield in Yorkshire(3), but the marriage was childless(4). It was a very happy marriage and they laboured together for the good of others.

William Coor Parker retired from business in 1867 and devoted the remainder of his life to philanthropic work. From an early date he was deeply interested in First-day Schools and was a teacher in the first school of this kind established in Darlington; he was also for many years superintendent of the large schools in Skinnergate. The promotion of education was very near his heart and he was elected a member of the School Board for Darlington on its first formation, for some time acting as chairman. He was a Guardian of the Poor and peace, temperance, social purity and other kindred societies had his warm support.

He was a faithful member of the Society of Friends and his devotion to its principles was no mere outward profession, but a deep inward conviction of their truth. He had clear and simple views on the fundamental truths of Christianity. He served as an elder and overseer and his wise and sympathetic counsel and encouragement were greatly valued. As a minister he seldom took a vocal part in meetings for worship, but he was earnestly concerned that the Gospel message should be delivered with clearness, simplicity and power and those engaged in the ministry were often sustained by his prayers on their behalf. He was deeply concerned for the many small meetings in his neighbourhood and often visited them himself, or persuaded others to do so. He was also a kind and good friend to the poor.

The last two or three years of his life were clouded by the illness of his wife and the anxiety he suffered on her behalf undermined his own health. When she died on 25 March 1891 he was seized with a fainting fit and was unable to attend her funeral. William Coor Parker of Darlington died a few days later, on 1 April 1891, at the age of sixty eight(5). Seldom had so great a blank arisen in a meeting as the almost simultaneous death of these two Friends.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1892, pp 76-84

Minute of Darlington MM in Yearly Meeting Proceedings 1891, pp v-vii

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: his father is described as a grocer
- 2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 123, entry 5563: from Halifax
- 3 The wedding was at Wakefield on 25 May 1854: he is described as a bachelor, a worsted spinner of Darlington, the son of William Parker, a draper; she is described as a spinster of Wakefield, the daughter of Thomas Woolston Binks, a merchant (Digest of Marriages)
- 4 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a gentleman

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

PARKER, William Coor (1823-1891)

William C. Parker was born at Bradford in 1823, and removed to Darlington in 1845. In 1854 he married Margaret Binks of Bolton.

He retired from business in 1867, devoting a large portion of his time to religious and philanthropic work. His labours as a Guardian of the Poor, as a member and for a time the Chairman of the Darlington School Board, and on behalf of peace, temperance, social purity and other kindred movements, were of great value.

William Parker was an active member of the Committee of Ackworth School, where he had been educated. He was an Elder and Overseer of his own meeting, and for many years acted as Clerk to the Small Meetings' Committee.

'He was earnestly concerned that the Gospel message should be delivered with clearness, simplicity and power; and those engaged in the ministry were often sustained by his silent prayers on their behalf.'

William C. Parker died on 1 April 1891.

Testimony of Darlington M.M. in Y.M.Proc. 1891, p.v

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PARKIN, Ann (1653/4 or 1654/5-1734) born Martindale

Ann Martindale, the daughter of Nicholas and Jane Martindale of Allonby or Allanby, was born there on 12.i.1654 (i.e. probably March 1653/4 but possibly March 1654/5).⁽¹⁾ She was educated in the Truth and received a gift in the ministry when she was about thirty. She did not travel far, but her ministry was well received in her own meeting and in meetings in Lancashire and the adjacent counties. She was "of an exemplary Conversation & not tedious in her Testimony, but living & powerful to the Conclusion." She married Richard Parkin in March 1682/3 or 1683/4⁽²⁾; only one son of the marriage is recorded⁽³⁾, but as she died at the home of her son-in-law it is certain that she had one daughter and may have had other children.

She died forty years after her husband, in the compass of Pardshaw MM on 14.iii.(May)1734 and was buried in Friends' burying ground at Eaglesfield.⁽⁴⁾

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Cumberland & Northumberland QM 27.i.1735 (i.e. probably March 1734/5 but possibly March 1735/6) in TCMD vol.1 p.82

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births Digest: she was born on 12.i.1654 (i.e. probably March 1653/4 but possibly March 1654/5) the daughter of Nicholas and Jane of Allonby or Allanby
- 2 The wedding was at Beckfoote on 12.i.1683 (i.e. probably March 1682/3 but possibly March 1683/4): he is described as Richard Parkin of Blackdickie in the parish of Abbeyholme, she is described as the daughter of Nicholas Martindale (Cumberland & Northumberland QM Marriages Digest)
- 3 Listed in Cumberland & Northumberland QM Births Digest as follows:-
Richard b 16.iii.(May)1685
- 4 Her death is not recorded in Cumberland & Northumberland Burials Digest

PARKIN, Frank (1889-1946)

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Frank Parkin was born on 7 December 1889, and joined the staff of Sibford School in 1916.

He was an ardent pacifist and worked through the League of Nations Union, the Peace Pledge Union and the Friends Peace Committee. In politics he was a Socialist, but his work for the Labour Party was always part of his Christian philosophy of life, and he would not be bound by party ties. He was also interested in local government, the Adult School and the local branch of the W.E.A.

'His ministry was valued by the older members of Sibford Meeting, but he spoke most frequently to the boys and girls of Sibford School, whose spiritual welfare he had very much at heart.'

He died on 24 August 1946.

Testimony of Banbury M.M., in Y.M.Proc. 1947, p.150

PARKIN, Theodore Darch (1884?-1951)

Theodore D.Parkin, details of whose birth are not at present (1984) traced, was the son of George Henry Parkin and was born about the year 1884(1).

He became at first a patent food manufacturer(2) and was married in 1938 to Annie Clara Searle of Bethnal Green(3); there were three children(4).

He was an evangelical Quaker, not wearied by well-doing, faithful in service and often blunt and outspoken. He was a man of strong will and convictions and he put all his energy into any task he undertook. He was a craftsman in the tradition of William Morris and John Ruskin, whose works he treasured, both in the family business as saddler and leather worker, to which he was apprenticed and which he took over on his father's death about 1938, and in his recreation. He was also a scientific instrument maker for twenty seven years.

At one time he was clerk to the London & Middlesex Quarterly Meeting Industrial and Social Order Committee and he served on the Meeting for Sufferings from 1946 to 1948(5). He also undertook service of an evangelical character at Ratcliff and never allowed the links he established with Ratcliff & Barking Monthly Meeting to be broken by distance. He remained an elder and active member of Wanstead Meeting until his death, although attendance involved long journeys.

Theodore D.Parkin of The Green, Southgate, died on 15 May 1951, at the age of sixty seven(6).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend vol 109 (1951) p 552

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 67 at death: his birth is not traced in the Digest of Births

2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3

3 The wedding was at Grays on 24 April 1938: he is described as a bachelor, a patent food manufacturer of The Green, Southgate, the son of George Henry Parkin, a master saddler; she is described as a spinster, a dress trimmer and warehouse manageress of 30 Helston Street, Bethnal Green, the daughter of Joseph Alfred James Searle, a frame maker (Digest of Marriages)

4 Listed in the Digest of Births as follows:-

Andrew D'Arch b 25 Jan 1939

Ellen Morris b 5 Oct 1940

Stephen Clifford b 15 May 1942

No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1982

5 Typescript Committee Lists, Friends House Library

6 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

PARKIN, William J (1899? - 1979)

William Parkin was a Methodist in Bristol who was born in about the year 1899.(1) He served in the first world war and later married the sister of a comrade who had been killed.

He worked tirelessly for the cause of peace and was connected with many Friends in his efforts, he joined the Peace Pledge Union and was chairman of the Bristol Peace Council. Late in life he attended Friends' meeting at Horfield, but never joined the Society.

After his wife's death some ten years ago he moved into Avenue House, Bristol, where he died on March 3rd, 1979 aged about 80.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol. 137 (1979) p. 380

REFERENCES & NOTES

1. We have no date of birth. The obituary cited above states that he was aged 16 in 1915, and he died in 1979 aged about 80.

SGJ. July 1979

PARKINSON, Alexander (1701-1792) 3

Alexander Parkinson was born at Langtree, Lancs, in 1701, and was brought up as an Anglican, but about his 16th year he joined the Society, suffering severe treatment from his family as a result. He was a nailsmith.

He married, 22.xii.1725 [i.e. Feb. 1725/6] at Langtree, Rachel Rigby, daughter of Daniel and Jane Rigby of Blackroad, Lancs (2).

He came forth in the ministry about his 21st year, and travelled to many counties in this country. He was a regular attender at meetings for worship and of MMs and QMs, and was concerned for the conduct of business therein.

'His ministry, being clear, sound and weighty, was most acceptable to Friends'.

He died 5 February 1792 in his 91st year, a minister about 69 years, and was buried in Friends Burial Ground, Langtree, 8 February (3).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Hardshaw MM in TCMD vol.4 p.22

NOTES AND REFERENCES

- 1 Lancs QM Marriages digest
2 ibid.

Rachel Rigby was born 15.xii.1703 [i.e. Feb. 1703/4]. Her death is not in Lancs QM Burials digest
- Lancs QM Births digest
No children recorded in Lancs QM Births digest

- 3 Lancs QM Burials digest. His residence is given as Standishwith Langtree, Lancs.

SEE ALSO

T.C. Porteous, A history of the parish of Standish, Lancashire (Wigan 1927) p.163

PARKINSON, Elizabeth (1711-1758) born

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Elizabeth Parkinson, the wife of Henry Parkinson, received a religious education, and in her youth was inspired by the Holy Spirit, and through obedience to this call was enabled to render a good measure of valuable service. While still young she spoke a few words in Meeting for Worship and these words of 'living energy' were acceptable and helpful. She was of a 'meek and quiet spirit', and her conversation was 'innocent and exemplary'.

In the latter part of her life she suffered from a lingering and painful illness which she endured with patience and acceptance until the end. She died 5 August 1758, aged 48

PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Testimony of Marsden MM in TCMD vol.2, p.24

PARKINSON, Hannah (1798?-1864) after 1821 Parker

[Hannah Parkinson, daughter of Robert and Hannah Parkinson of Bradford, was married in 1821 to William Parker (1796?-1871 qv).]

See PARKER, Hannah (1798?-1864) born Parkinson]

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PARKINSON, Robert (1830-1913)

Robert Parkinson was born at Bradford, York, in 1830, the son of an ironfounder. Both his parents died when he was a child and he was left under the guardianship of Thomas Wilson of Bradford and Charles Wilson of Preston.

He went to school at Ackworth, and later to Tulketh Hall School near Preston. He was apprenticed as a chemist to George Dymond, and later to George Barritt of Croydon. Later he studied chemistry and pharmacy in London and passed his qualifying examination. He then went to German Universities at Giessen and Munich, obtaining a degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1854. On his return to England he entered the business of his guardian, Thomas Wilson, at Bradford, working as an analyst and introducing the new art of photography.

In 1856 he married Emily Jesper, - a happy marriage, which lasted 49 years(1); there were three children (2).

Robert Parkinson was of a retiring disposition, but he did much useful work for Bradford Meeting. He was clerk of Brighouse Monthly Meeting for many years, and was for a long time a director of Friends Provident Institution. He also supported scientific and philanthropic societies in the town.

Robert Parkinson was always a great lover of nature, and after his retirement to Crange-over-Sands in 1889 spent much time in his beautiful garden. For a time he took an active part in the life of the village, and served on the District Council, but after the death of his wife in 1905 he lived quietly, and for the last two years of his life was a constant invalid. He died on 23 July 1913, aged 82.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Annual monitor 1915 p.142

REFERENCES AND NOTES :

- 1 The wedding was at Skipton on 23 September 1856; he is described as bachelor, chemist, of Ashfield Terrace, Horton, near Bradford, son of Thomas Parkinson, ironfounder; she is described as spinster, of Thornton, near Skipton, daughter of John Jesper, farmer. (Digest of Marriage Registers)
- 2 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows :-

Ellen	born 17 June 1857
Lucy Ann	born 10 April 1863
Isobel	born 15 May 1865

WBE:

PARKINSON, Sydney, c.1745-1771

b. 1745, son of Joel and Elizabeth Parkinson of Edinburgh, Scotland. His father a brewer.

Sydney became a woollen draper. He had a skill in drawing, also.

Removed to London where his drawing came to the attention of Captain Cook. He was chosen to go on "The Endeavor" with Cook to the South Seas to draw flowers, fruits, etc. seen on the voyage. He was called a botanical draughtsman.

1773 publication of A journal of a voyage to the South Seas, in His Majesty's Ship The Endeavor, &c. This book was edited by Dr. Lettsom.

d. Jan. 26, 1771 and was buried at sea, having taken a fever after the ship left Batavia.

Journ. Fds. Hist. Soc., 8:123

Biog. Cat., 482

Jos, Smith's Cat., 2:260; Sup., 260

PARKINSON, Tabitha (1804?-1849) after 1833 Crosland

[Tabitha Parkinson, daughter of Robert and Hannah Parkinson of Bradford in Yorkshire, was married in 1833 to Robert Crosland (1812-1855 qv) of Bradford.

See CROSLAND, Tabitha (1804?-1849) born Parkinson]

PARKS, James (1636-1696)

see PARKE, James (1636-1696)

WBE:

PARMER, Thomas Chalkley, 1860-1934

b. Oct. 23, 1860 at Media, Pa., son of Lewis and Mary Comfort (Wildman) Parmer.

ed. Westtown School (1874-78) and Haverford College, graduated 1878 . Special student in chemistry at Phila. College of Pharmacy, 1883-84

1883-84 Chemist with J.M. Sharpless & Co.

m/, 1886, Jane Walter

Author of many articles on dyes, diatomates, etc in trade and scientific journals. Member of several scientific societies.

Nearly 40 years was President of Delaware County Institute of Science. Assembled a large collection of diatoms and algae.

d. Jan. 31, 1934 at Middletown, Pa., in his 74th year.

Hav. Coll, Mat. Cat., 207

The Friend (Phila.), 107 (1934):294

Frd's. Intel., 91 (1934):94

PARMOOR, Marian Emily (1878-1952) born Ellis

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Marian E. Parmoor was born 6 January 1878, a twin daughter of John Edward Ellis and his wife, Maria Rowntree.

Her active public life began early; she was associated with Ruth Fry in Home Industries, a relief project to help the women of South Africa at the end of the Boer War. She worked for the World Alliance for Friendship among the Churches and was one of the earliest members of the Fellowship of Reconciliation.

After her marriage to Lord Parmoor in 1919 and for the ensuing twenty two years, their joint work continued. Marian Parmoor entertained many important people and groups both at Parmoor and in Geneva. Her husband's position as Lord President of the Council gave scope for many valuable contacts. They were concerned for the settlement of Ireland, for the fair treatment of conscientious objectors, and for the Fight the Famine campaign.

After Lord Parmoor's death in 1941, Marian Parmoor carried on the good work in which she had always been engaged in spite of a bad fall which resulted in permanent lameness. She served many causes; she was President for four years of the World YWCA, and was one of the oldest members of the Women's International League of which she was President.

She was a faithful member of Meeting for Sufferings, a member of the Committee on Christian Relationships, and Treasurer of the Peace Committee.

Marian Parmoor saw current problems clearly, and at the age of 70 took up the study of nuclear fission, in order to be able to speak with some authority about the use of atomic energy.

'However busy she might be, one knew without question that her spirit dwelt in a place of constant prayer, and that her life was hid with Christ in God. This gave her a serenity that could face any difficult situation without despair'.

She died 6 July 1952

Testimony of Hampstead MM in YM Proc. 1953, p.139

[Friend (London), 110 (1952): 568-70, and other references (several). FT]

Is this Marian Ellis, listed in WBE:DQB? FT

PARNALL, John (1788?-1874)

John Parnall, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1979) traced, was born at Padstow in Cornwall about the year 1788(1). When he was quite a lad his mother took him to a public meeting, held by two women Friends at Padstow. It is said that after the meeting he went into his father's wool-combing shop and having a very good memory, he offered to repeat the sermon to the men, which he did so well as to produce a great impression.

Some time later he became convinced of the truth of the principles professed by Friends and joined the Society. He was captain of a coasting vessel and experienced many of the vicissitudes of a seafaring life, not only in the loss of property by shipwreck but also by the death of one of his sons, who was drowned when his ship was lost.

The family settled at Wadebridge in Cornwall, where there was at one time a nice little meeting of Friends, but he lived to see them all gone, either by death or removal and for many years he was the only one left. None of the members of his family belonged to the Society and he used to occupy the meeting house alone; on one occasion he was joined by a travelling Friend, who hearing a voice entered the meeting house and found him on his knees in prayer. He felt the loss of his Friends very much, but maintained his own way until the end of his life.

John Parnall of Wadebridge died on 13 April 1874 at the age of eighty six and was buried in Padstow churchyard(2).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1875 pp 129-130

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Aged 86 at death

2 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a shipowner

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

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WBE:

PARKALL, John, c.1788-1874

b. c.1788 at Padstow, Cornwall, Eng.,
son of His father was a
wool-comber.

As a lad he was taken to an appointed meeting of Friends at Padstow. He became convinced and joined Friends, somewhat later.

He was a paptain of a coasting vessell. One of his ships was lost in a wreck which cost the life of his son.

Family removed to Wadebridge where there was a little meeting. J.P. was the only one of his family who belonged to Friends. The other members of the meeting moved away, one by one, till only J.P. was left.

d. April 13, 1874 at Wadebridge (?), age 86.

An. Mon. (N.S.), 33 (1874):129

PARNALL, family

[Cornwall]

For a list of entries under the name Parnall in
the register digests of Cornwall QM to 1837

see TYPED REGISTER EXTRACTS

see also LIBRARY CORRESPONDENCE FILES:
Joan Whitty of Surrey, 1971

PARNELL, James (1636-1656)

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James Parnell of Retford. His age at the time of his conviction is given in Ell. edd. 'about Sixteen Years', which is more nearly accurate. The three years which remained to him were extraordinarily full of travelling, preaching, writing, and suffering. Accounts of the events which led up to his death may be found in various books (see biographies by Tuke (1815), Callaway (1846), Budge (1881), Smith (1906), Kite (1909)). His enemies stated that he was the victim of a voluntary fast (Glisson, Relation of the most desperate death of James Parnel, 1656; Quakers Fear, 1656; Wade, Quakery Slain, 1657, pp.37-55, where Parnell is called 'the mighty writing Quaker'; Blome, Fanatick Hist. 1660, p.111). The date of his death (frequently mis-stated) was 10th April (Diary of Rev. Ralph Josselin, 1616-1683, see Jnl. F.H.S. vi).

Parnell's writings were published in 1675. Biographical details are given in Fruits of a Fast, 1655, and Lamb's Defence, 1656

Waymarks, i.1902

DNB

Firth, Last Years of Protectorate, 1909

MSS in Friends House

Note by N. Penney in Fox's Journal, Camb. ed. 1911 vol.1 p.419

WBE:
Additional references

PARNELL, James, 1836-1856

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Biog. Cat., 483

Piety pro., 1:29

Sewell, History, 1:200

Evans, Friends in the 17th cent., 84

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:268

Besse, 1:86, 190, 191

Frds. Qu. Exam., 14(1880):254; 40(1906):410

PARNELL, Thomas (-1702)

Thomas Parnell lived at King's Ripton, Hunts. He married Elizabeth _____ who died in 1698. James Nayler died at his house in 1660 and was buried in his burying ground at King's Ripton. Sewel relates that Nayler, on his journey northward, 'was found in a field by a countryman toward evening, and was had, or went to a friend's house at Holm not far from King's Rippon, where Thomas Parnel, a doctor of physick dwelt, who came to visit him' (Hist. 1722, note sub anno 1656). The Registers describe Parnell as 'a skinner'. Besse mentions him under Hunts.

Note by N. Penney in ² Fox's Journal, Camb. ed. 1911 vol. XI p.381

WBE:

PARRISH, Anne, 1760-1800

b. Oct. 17, 1760 in Phila., Pa., eldest daughter
of Isaac and Sarah (Mitchell) Parrish.

1796 she promised that if her parents recovered
from yellow fever she would devote her life to charity.
Following this she established a school for the
instruction of poor children, called Aimwell School.
It existed until 1923.

in the founding of The House of

P 3-
In Phila. (?) Pa., aged 40 years.

, 23:37

WBE;

PARRISH, Dillwyn, 1809-1886

b. Sept. 8, 1809, in Phila., Pa., son of Joseph
and Susanna (Cox) Parrish.

ed. Friends School, 4th St. below Chestnut.

*John Greenwood (?)
also school in
Burlington, N.J.*

m. (1st) Elizabeth(Archer) Thomas (d/1834

1821, established a pharmaceutical shop at 8th and
Arch Sts. Had graduated from Phila. College of Pharmacy.

m., (2d), Susanna Maxfield, (d.1884) 3 children.

Elder of Phila. Monthly Mtg., Race St. for over
30 years. Served as monthly and Quarterly meeting clerk
at various times. [1865 - 72 CLERK, PHILA. M. MTG (HICKSITE) R.B.]

Served as corporator of Women's Medical College;
was a founder of Orthopaedic Hospital in Phila.

President, Phila. College of Pharmacy. Also,
was president of Abolitionist Society of Phila.

d. Sept. 17, Phila. Pa., in his 78th year.

*ELLIOTT, Q. U. ON THE AM. FRONTIER, 399
Hinshaw, Encyc. 2:812*

Frds. Intel., 43 (1886):609, 616

Jour. Fds. Hist. Soc., 23:37

WBE:

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PARRISH, Edward, 1822-1872

b. May 31, 1822 in Phila., Pa., son of Joseph (M.D.)
and Susanna (Cox) Parrish.

ed. Friends schools and Phila. College of Pharmacy
in 1842.

m., 1848, Margaret Hunt of Phila. 5 children. About
the time of his marriage he opened a school of prac-
tical pharmacy.

He was an early member of the Academy of Natural
Sciences. Wrote a text called Practical Pharmacy, &c.
Was interested in the art of skeletonizing leaves.

1865 wrote Education in the Society of Friends,
past, present and prospective...; also, in 1866 wrote
An Essay on Education in the Society of Friends.

He secured the passage of an act of incorporation
for Swarthmore College, of which he was a founder. He
became President of the College, 1868-1871.

Went out into present day Oklahoma to visit
certain Indian tribes and contracted malaria.

d. Sept. 9, 1872, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, age 50 years.

Frds. Hist. Lib., Swarth., BX 7616, BX7619

Frds. Intel., 29(1872):473

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:253; Sup., 261

DAB, 14:258

Who Was Who In America (1607-1896); 396

Isaac Parish

See Member Penn Soc.

First meeting of Phila
Soc for Allegating the
Miseries of Public Penns 5/8/1787
held at his home. I
would expect this to be at
17 N. 2nd St. He later
lived at on 6th between
Market & Arch - His
grandson writes of his
chasing a pig from his
house to front St. during
rev & being fearful of
being seen by the soldiers.
He thinks of the house he knew
at (St. James & 6th) but I don't
believe they had moved that
far west at that date.

Phil Penn Soc contains
as current Pa Penn Soc.

Elder & wife Sarah also
elder

WBE:

PARRISH, Isaac, M.D., 1811-1852

b. March 19, 1811 in Phila., Pa., son of Joseph
(M.D.) and Susanna (Cox) Parrish.

ed. school of John Gummere in Burlington, N.J.
and at Univ. of Pa., 1829-1832. Rec'd M.D. degree.

m., 1834 Sarah Redwood Longstreth.

Was physician at Wills (Eye) Hospital in Phila.*

A prison visitor. Had a slender, delicate
appearance. He went with Race St. Friends at the
Separation in 1827.

d. July 31, 1852 of dysentery, in Phila., in his
42d year.

Frds. Intel., 9 (1853):157

Memoir of Isaac Parrish (portrait)

Wharton, The Parrish Family, 187, 185

* He was a founder and Vice-President of the
Philadelphia County Medical Society.

WBE:

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PARRISH, John, 1730-1807

b. 1730, in Baltimore County, Md., son
of John (Sr.) and Elizabeth (Roberts) Parrish.
m. (1st) Ann Wilson on April 12, 1753. 3 children.
m. (2d) Abigail (Holloway) Bissell (d.1796)
Family removed to Phila. during childhood after death
of the parents. John served an apprenticeship in
Phila.

1773 with Zebulon Heston visited the Delaware
Indians residing in western Penna.

1777 recommended a minister. In 1784 with James
Cresson visited in the Barbadoes.

1797, suggested that a few Indian girls should be
brought from N.Y. state to be instructed in housewifery.
6 were obtained and placed in Friends' homes.

1805 with five others signed a warning to Friends
of the three Monthly Meetings of Phila. to beware of
launching into business beyond their ability.

1806 wrote Remarks on the Slavery of the Black
People.

1807 visited in Baltimore for Yearly Meeting. Toured
local jail to visit the prisoners.

d. Oct. 21, 1807 after a stroke, in Baltimore, in
his 78th year.

WBE:

PARRISH, Joseph, (M.D.), 1779-1840

Joseph Parrish
Member Joined Phila
Soc for Alleviating Miseries
of Public Prisons 12/1802
See members of Penn Soc
Opposed Capital Punishment

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[1834-36, CLERK PHILA. Y.M.C. (HICKSITE), R.B.]

Wharton, The Parrish Family, 73
Wood, A memoir of... Joseph Parrish

Shotwell, complainant,
Foster's Report, 2:45

Phila. Y.M. (Race St.) Memorials (1841):37

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:253; Sup., 261

DAB, 14:259 Fds. Hist. Lib., Swarth., EX 7616

ELLIOTT, RU ON THE AM FRONTIER, 399

WBE:

PARRISH, Joseph (Jr.) M.D., 1818-1891

b. Nov. 11, 1818 at Philadelphia, Pa., son of Dr. Joseph and Susanna (Cox) Parrish.

ed. by private tutors and at J. Gummere's school in Burlington, N.J. Took his medical degree at the Univ. of Pa. in 1844.

c.1839-1856 lived in Burlington, N.J. and practiced medicine there.

1856 called to chair in obstetrics at Phila. Medical College. Failing health caused him to travel in Europe.

1840, Feb., m., Lydia Gaskill. 1 son, 2 daus.

1857 wrote Orthodoxy and Heterodoxy by a lay churchman. WBE considers that this clouds, rather than clarifies the problem of creed or belief.

About this time J.P left Friends and joined another church. He concentrated his medical work on the care of alcoholics.

1875 he was asked to come to England to appear before Parliament to tell of his ideas about treatment of alcoholics.

1876 upon his return he again settled in Burlington, N.J.

During his lifetime he worked against slavery and was a hospital inspector during the Civil War. He also did much work for feeble minded children, especially in establishing the school for them at Elwyn, Pa.

WBE:

PARRISH, Joseph, Jr., M.D., 1818-1891 page 2.

d. Jan. 15, 1891 at Burlington, N.J., in his
73rd year.

Jour. Frds. Hist. Soc., 23:38

Frds. Intel., 48:56

Wharton, The Parrish Family, 203

Frds. Hist. Soc., Swarth., BX 7616

WBE:

PARRISH, Samuel, 1830-1899

b. April 9, 1830 in Phila., Pa., son of Dr.
Joseph and Susanna (Cox) Parrish.

ed. Friends schools.

m. Anna Hunt. children

An active historian and genealogist, especially noted for his interest in Shakesperiana and in items relating to William Penn.

Lived much of his life around Burlington, N.J.

Among his published writings were Sketches of Friends, historical, biographical and anecdotal; and Some chapters in the history of the Friendly association...

Served as Vice-President, Friends Historical Soc.

d. June 23, 1890 in Burlington, N.J., in his 61st year.

Jos. Smith's Cat., Sup.:262

Frds. Intel., 41(1884):570; 47(1890):425

Wharton, Susanna , The Parrish family, 177

Frds. Hist. Lib., Swarth., BX 7616

WBE:

PARRISH, Susan, ca. 1851-1928.

SEE WHARTON, Susan, nee PARRISH, ca. 1851-1928.

PARROTT, WINIFRED

(1888 ? - 1974)

Winifred Parrott was born in about the year 1888,(1) into a family of Methodists.

During a term at Woodbrooke, perhaps in about 1932 (2) she met Horace and Olive Alexander and agreed to become companion-housekeeper to Olive, who was an invalid. Horace Alexander was thus freed to work for Friends at home and abroad. Winifred Parrott joined Friends in about 1944 (3) and was a faithful member of Cotteridge meeting for the rest of her life.

For the most part, her life, except for short holidays abroad, was spent in England caring for others. After Olive Alexander's death, the house continued to provide hospitality for many visitors to Woodbrooke, whose numbers included C.F.Andrews, Gandhi, Nehru and Rabindranath Tagore.

Later years brought her increasing physical disability which she accepted with great patience and she died in a nursing home at Selly Oak, Birmingham on February 1, 1974, aged 86.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol 132 (1974) p 296

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. She died aged 86.
2. Warwickshire, Leicestershire & Staffordshire QM printed list of members show her as an attender in 1932.
3. The same lists for 1944 record her as a member of Cotteridge meeting.

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

PARRY, William, 1810-1894

b. 20 July 1810, Montogomery Co., Pa. son of Joseph and Sarah Webster Parry.

1827 moved to Richmond, Ind. with parents.

m., 1833 Mary Hill. Several children.

Until 1844 worked at plasterer's trade in Richmond, Ind., then took charge of his father's farm.

1850 Bought his father's farm.

1858-72 Pres., Wayne Co. Turnpike Co. (Constructed and was president of Williamsburg turnpike until purchased by the county, 1849-50)

Repeatedly elected to Richmond City Council.

1861

1867-78

1870-72

1875-79 Clerk, Ind. Y. Mtg., (F.G.C.)

Clerk of his Mtg. for many yrs.

1868 until death, Pres. of Cincinnati, Richmond and Ft. Wayne Railroad.

Wayne Twp. Trustee for 19 yrs.

Valued member and elder of Whitewater No. Mtg., Ind.

d. 9 Apr., 1894, Richmond, Ind., aged 84 yrs.

Elliott, Errol T. Qu. on the Am. Frontier, 391

Fds. Intelli., 51(1894), 264.

WBE:

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PARSON, Ann, nee Chapman, 1675-1732

b. 1675 in England, daughter of
John and Chapman.

Came to America and settled in Wrightstown, Pa.

m. Parson.

A minister even in her youthful days. She began
to travel in the ministry in 1709, going to New Eng-
land, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia. In 1709 she
visited in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

She prayed that many might flock to His church as
doves to the windows.

d. Dec. 9, 1732 at Wrightstown (?), Pa. in her
57th year.

Piety pro., 11th part: 364

John Smith's Ms., 2:647

Phila. Y.M., A Col. Of Mem. (1785):95

The Friend (Phila.), 29:349

PARSONS, Ann (1797-1833) after 1820 Palmer

[Ann Parsons, daughter of James Parsons (1767?-1849 qv)
and his wife Sarah (born Brown, 1768?-1831 qv) of
Wellington in Somerset, was married in 1820 to
Walter Palmer (1793-1868 qv) of Long Sutton in
Somerset.

See PALMER, Ann (1797-1833) born Parsons]

PARSONS, Ann Metford (1821-1847) after 1843 Gregory

[Ann Metford Parsons, daughter of Isaac Parsons (-)
and his wife Mary (born) of
Grinton in Somerset, was married in 1843 to Thomas Gregory
(1818-1891 qv).]

See GREGORY, Ann Metford (1821-1847) born Parsons]

PARSONS, Edward (1819-1902)

Edward Parsons, the son of Isaac Parsons (1767?-1830 qv) and his wife Mary (born Bagwell, 1783?-1828 qv) of Crenton in Somerset, was born there on 10 November 1819(1).

He was educated at Sidcot School from 1829 to 1834(2).

He was married in 1853 to Annie Buckingham(3) and there were five children(4).

Edward Parsons died at Bath on 17 April 1902(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 Sidcot School Register 1808-1958, p 157
- 3 Sidcot School Register, loc cit: the marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages nor in The Friend for 1853
- 4 Given in Sidcot School Register, Loc cit: the births are not traced in the Digest of Births:-
Margaret Annie
Alice Elizabeth
William Edward
Elizabeth Bagwell
Mary Beatrice d 1872
- 5 Sidcot School Register, loc cit: his death is not traced in the Digest of Deaths

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

PARSONS, Elizabeth (1823-1852) after 1844 Gregory

[Elizabeth Parsons, daughter of Isaac Parsons (1767?-1830 qv) and his wife Mary (born Bagwell, 1783?-1828 qv) of Grenton in Somerset, was married in 1844 to Arthur Gregory (1820- qv) of Glastonbury in Somerset.

See GREGORY, Elizabeth (1823-1852) born Parsons]

PARSONS, Isaac (1767?-1830)

Isaac Parsons, details of whose birth are not at present (1984) traced, was the son of Isaac and Mary Parsons of Wolland in Somerset and was born about the year 1767(1).

He became a yeoman at Greinton in Somerset(2) and was married in 1810 to Mary Bagwell (1783?-1828 qv) of London(3); there were nine children(4).

Isaac Parsons of Greinton died on 9 January 1830, at the age of sixty three(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 63 at death: his birth is not traced in Bristol & Somerset QM nor in London & Middlesex QM Births Digests
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Bridgewater on 14 March 1810: he is described as a yeoman of Greinton, Somersetshire, the son of Isaac and Mary Parsons of Wolland, Somersetshire; she is described as the daughter of John and Hester Bagwell of London (Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest and in the Digests of Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

Isaac	b 16 March 1811	m Sunnah Bullivant (went to Canada)
Sarah	b 17 June 1812	d 24 March 1826 (at school in Falmouth, Cornwall QM Burials Digest)
Thomas qv	b 1 Dec 1813	d unmarried 26 Oct 1838, aged 26
William qv	b 11 April 1815	m 1843? Elizabeth Stevens went to Canada
Henry	b 26 July 1816	d unmarried 27 Jan 1841, aged 23
Mary Hester qv	b 4 July 1818	m 1853 Annie Buckingham
Edward qv	b 4 Nov 1819	m 1843 Thomas Gregory (1818-1891 qv)
Ann Metford qv	b 6 April 1821	m 1844 Arthur Gregory (1820- qv)
Elizabeth qv	b 28 Aug 1823	

His sons Isaac (1811) and Henry (1816) were educated at Sidcot School:
Sidcot School Register 1808-1958, p 157

- 5 Bristol & Somerset QM Burials Digest: no description of him is given

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

PARSONS, Isaac (1767?-1830)

Isaac Parsons, details of whose birth are not at present (1985) traced, was the son of Isaac and Mary Parsons of Woolland in Somerset and was born about the year 1767(1).

He became at first a farmer at Woolland in Gloucestershire(2) and was twice married. He married firstly in 1793 Sarah Metford (1771-1806 qv) of Glastonbury in Somerset(3), but the marriage was apparently childless(4). He moved to Grenton in Somerset, where he became a yeoman(5) and was married secondly in 1810 to Mary Bagwell (1783?-1828 qv) of London(6); there were nine children, born between the years 1811 and 1823(7).

Isaac Parsons of Grenton died on 9 January 1830, at the age of sixty three(8).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 63 at death: his birth is not traced in Gloucester & Wilts QM, Bristol & Somerset QM nor London & Middlesex QM Births Digests
- 2 He is so described in his first marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Glastonbury on 20 March 1793: he is described as a farmer of Woolland in the parish of Peblow in the county of Gloucester, the son of Isaac and Mary Parsons, late of Woolland; she is described as the daughter of William and Mary Metford of Glastonbury in Somerset (Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 No children are traced in Gloucester & Wilts QM nor Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digests
- 5 He is so described in his second marriage entry, note 6
- 6 The wedding was at Bridgwater on 14 March 1810: he is described as a yeoman of Greinton, Somersetshire, the son of Isaac and Mary Parsons of Woolland, Somersetshire; she is described as the daughter of John and Hester Bagwell of London (Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest)
- 7 Listed in Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest and in the Digests of Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

Isaac	b 16 March 1811	m Sunnah Bullivant (went to Canada)
Sarah	b 17 June 1812	d 24 March 1826 (at school in Falmouth, Cornwall QM Burials Digest)
Thomas qv	b 1 Dec 1813	d unmarried 26 Oct 1838, aged 2
William qv	b 11 April 1815	m 1843? Elizabeth Stevens went to Canada
Henry	b 26 July 1816	d unmarried 27 Jan 1841, aged 2
Mary Hester qv	b 4 July 1818	m 1853 Annie Buckingham
Edward qv	b 4 Nov 1819	m 1843 Thomas Gregory (1818-1891 qv)
Ann Metford qv	b 6 April 1821	m 1844 Arthur Gregory (1820- qv)
Elizabeth qv	b 28 Aug 1823	

His sons Isaac (1811) and Henry (1816) were educated at Sidcot School:
Sidcot School Register 1808-1958, p 157

- 8 Bristol & Somerset QM Burials Digest: no description of him is given

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

PARSONS, James (1767?-1849)

James Parsons, details of whose birth are not at present (1984) traced, was the son of Henry and Sarah Parsons of Uffculme in Devonshire and was born about the year 1767(1).

He became a joiner at Wellington in Somerset(2) and was married in 1791 to Sarah Brown (1768?-1831 qv) of Wellington(3); there were nine children(4).

James Parsons of Wellington died on 15 February 1849, at the age of eighty two(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 82 at death: his birth is not traced in Devon QM Births Digest
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3 and in the birth entries for most of his children
- 3 The wedding was at Wellington on 12 October 1791: he is described as a joiner of Wellington in Somerset, the son of Henry and Sarah Parsons, late of Uffculme in Devonshire; she is described as the daughter of William and Mary Brown, late of Wellington (Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Bristol & Somerset QM Births and Marriages Digests and in the Digests of Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

*John	b 27 July 1792	d 21 Oct 1847, aged 55
*Henry	b 17 March 1794	
*Mary	b 31 Dec 1795	
Ann qv	b 19 Dec 1797	m 1820 Walter Palmer (1793-1868 qv)
Sarah	b 5 Oct 1799	d unmarried 24 March 1859, aged 59
Jane qv	b 3 April 1802	m 1828 Robert Fry (1800-1879 qv)
*Hannah	b 19 Sept 1804	
Elizabeth	b 22 Sept 1807	m 1840 George Clark
Lydia	b 24 Dec 1809	m 1841 Alfred Gregory

*No marriages traced in Bristol & Somerset QM Marriages Digest nor in the Digest of Marriages to 1870

- 5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a yeoman

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1850, p 88: 2 line entry for death; he served as an elder

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

PARSONS, Jane (1802-1876) after 1828 Fry

[Jane Parsons, daughter of James Parsons (-)
and his wife Sarah (born
of Wellington in Somerset, was married in 1828 to
Robert Fry (1800-1879 qv).]

See FRY, Jane (1802-1876) born Parsons]

PARSONS, Mary (1756?-1838) after 1776 Jackson

[Mary Parsons, daughter of Joseph and Mary Parsons of Kendal in Westmorland, was married in 1776 to Richard Jackson (1734?-1818 qv) of Spout House, Lower Wyresdale in Lancashire.

See JACKSON, Mary (1756?-1838) born Parsons]

PARSONS, Mary (1783?-1828) born Bagwell

Mary Bagwell, details of whose birth are not at present (1984) traced, was the daughter of John and Hester Bagwell of London and was born about the year 1783(1).

She was married in 1810 to Isaac Parsons (1767?-1830 qv), a yeoman of Grenton in Somerset and there were nine children(2).

Mary Parsons of Grenton died on 31 May 1828, at the age of forty five(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 45 at death: her birth is not traced in London & Middlesex QM Births Digest
- 2 For marriage and children see PARSONS, Isaac (1767?-1830)
- 3 Bristol & Somerset QM Burials Digest: no description of her is given

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

PARSONS, Mary Hester (1818-1841)

Mary Hester Parsons, the daughter of Isaac Parsons (1767?-1830 qv) and his wife Mary (born Bagwell, 1783?-1828 qv) of Grenton in Somerset, was born there on 4 July 1818(1).

She was educated at Sidcot School from 1828 to 1833(2).

Mary Hester Parsons of Bridgwater in Somerset died on 27 January 1841, at the age of twenty three(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 Sidcot School Register 1808-1958, p 157
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the daughter of Isaac

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

WBE:

PARSONS, Samuel Bowne, 1819-

b. Feb. 16, 1819 in Flushing, L.I., N.Y., son
of Samuel and Mary (Bowne) Parsons.

ed. 1833-35 at Haverford School (later College)
A nurseryman and florist by trade. Lived in
the New York area.

m. (1st), 1842 Susan Howland
m. (2d), 1858 Elizabeth Butterworth
1860, published a book called The Rose; its history,
poetry, culture and classification.

d.

Brothers Robert Bowne Parsons and William Bowne
Parsons also matriculated at H.C. (1834 and 1835 re-
spectively). The former also became a nurseryman +
florist.

Jos. Smith's Cat., Sup.: 262

Hav. Coll., Mat. Cat., 2
Samuel B. Parsons' son, Samuel matriculated
in 1857 and became a landscape architect and
author working ^{initially} with Frederick Law Olmsted and
Calvert Vaux on the design of Central Park in N.Y.
and also at Bryn Mawr College. (Charles Bern-
baum booklet)

WBE:

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PARSONS, Samuel, 1774-1841

b. Aug. 8, 1774 at New York, N.Y., son of James
and Mary Parsons.

m. Mary Bowne of Flushing, L.I., N.Y. (d.1839)

Several children.

c.1808 An elder, later a minister. Served as
assistant clerk New York Yearly Meeting for 8 years and
as clerk for 14 years more, including the time of the
Separation in 1828.

1831 was one of those who testified at the Camden
trial.

1841 contracted erysipelas, which affected his head.

d. Nov. 20, 1841 at New York, N.Y. in his 68th year.

New York Y.M., Memorials (1843)

The Friend (Phila.), 15:80; 17:190

Shotwell, complainant, Foster's Reports, 1:169

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:272

An. Mon.(N.S.), 28:30

The Friend (London) (1843):58

PARSONS, Sarah (1768?-1831) born Brown

Sarah Brown, details of whose birth are not at present (1984) traced, was the daughter of William and Mary Brown of Wellington in Somerset and was born about the year 1768(1).

She was married in 1791 to James Parsons (1767?-1849 qv), a joiner of Wellington and there were nine children(2).

Sarah Parsons of Wellington died on 17 July 1831, at the age of sixty one(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 61 at death: her birth is not traced in Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest
- 2 For marriage and children see PARSONS, James (1767?-1849)
- 3 Bristol & Somerset QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of James, an ironmonger

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1832, p 39: 1 line entry for death, the wife of James

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

PARSONS, Sarah (1771-1806) born Metford

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Sarah Metford, the daughter of William Metford (1735-1811 qv) and his wife Mary (born Pike, 1737-1799 qv) of Glastonbury in Somerset, was born there on 4 October 1771(1).

She was married in 1793 to Isaac Parsons (1767?-1830 qv), a farmer of Woolland in Gloucestershire, but the marriage was apparently childless(2).

She lived at Grenton in Somerset and appeared in the ministry when she was about twenty eight. "Length of days was not assigned this our beloved friend & sister, neither were her services extensive in the church, yet her ministry was attended with taught purity which evinced its origin to be the spring of the gospel, her general deportment corresponding therewith rendered her a twofold preacher of righteousness, and the remembrance of her innocence, love & dedication is precious."

Sarah Parsons of Grenton died on 1 January 1806, at the age of thirty four(3), a minister for about six years.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

A short account from the Middle division of Somerset MM 5 March 1806 in TCMD vol 4, p 226

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage see PARSONS, Isaac (1767?-1830)
- 3 Bristol & Somerset QM Burials Digest: no description of her is given

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

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PARSONS, Sarah (1772?-1806)

Sarah Parsons lived at Grenton in Somerset(1) and appeared in the ministry when she was about twenty eight. "Length of days was not assigned this our beloved friend & sister, neither were her services extensive in the church, yet her ministry was attended with that purity which evinced its origin to be the spring of the gospel, her general deportment corresponding therewith rendered her a twofold preacher of righteousness, and the remembrance of her innocence, love & dedication is precious."

She died on 1 January 1806(2) and was buried at Glastonbury. She was aged about thirty four and had been a minister for about six years.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

A short account from the Middle division of Somerset MM 5 March 1806 in
TCMD vol.4 p.226

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Digest of Births: her birth is not recorded
- 2 Bristol & Somerset QM Digest of Burials: she died on 1 January 1806 at Grenton in Somerset

[Susanna Parsons, daughter of William and Susannah Parsons of Worth in Sussex, was married in 1756 to Richard Bax (1730-1794 qv) of Capel in Surrey.

See BAX, Susanna (1730?-1814) born Parsons]

PARSONS, Thomas (1813-1838)

Thomas Parsons, the son of Isaac Parsons (1767?-1830 qv) and his wife Mary (born Bagwell, 1783?-1828 qv) of Crenton in Somerset, was born there on 1 December 1813(1).

He was educated at Sidcot School from 1823 to 1827 and on leaving school he became a clothier's assistant(2).

Thomas Parsons of Bridport in Dorset died on 26 October 1838, at the age of about twenty five(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 Sidcot School Register 1808-1958, p 157
- 3 Digest of Deaths: no description of him is given

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

PARSONS, William (1815-1863)

William Parsons, the son of Isaac Parsons (1767?-1830 qv) and his wife Mary (born Bagwell, 1783?-1828 qv) of Crenton in Somerset, was born there on 11 April 1815(1).

He was educated at Sidcot School from 1824 to 1829 and on leaving school he became a draper(2).

He was married about 1843 to Elizabeth Stevens(3) and there were four children (4).

William Parsons died at Andover in Hampshire in the year 1863(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bristol & Somerset QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 Sidcot School Register 1808-1958, p 157
- 3 Sidcot School Register, loc cit: the marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages
- 4 Given in Sidcot School Register: the births are not traced in the Digest of Births:-

William Henry	b 1844	d 1911
Emma	b 1846	d 1909
Fanny	b 1848	
Kate	b 1856	
- 5 Sidcot School Register, loc cit: his death is not traced in the Digest of Deaths

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