

WALKER, Anna (1848-1891) aftw Weekes

{Anna Walker, daughter of John and Sarah Walker of  
Ackworth, married G. H. Weekes in 1889 Z

see WEEKES, Anna (1848-1891) born Walker ]

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WALKER, Anna Phillis, c.1855-1936

b. c.1855

m., 1884 John Edward Walker, a master in Friends school at Ackgorth, Pontefracts, Yorkshire. (See his biog.)

1887 moved with her husband to Rawden to serve as heads of the Friends school there.

1890 came to Saffron Walden to live upon the appointment of John Edward Walker as headmaster of Saffron Walden Friends School.

A minister and very active in all the affairs of the monthly meeting, she was noted also for her love of poetry, flowers and little children. Had a real service in the meeting.

d. April 7, 1936 at Borough Lane, Saffron Walden, aged 81 years.

The Friend (London), 94 (1936):348, 356 (portrait)

Saffron Walden School: a sketch of 200 years. [publ. 1901)

WALKER, Anna Phillis (1855?-1936)

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add: Born Adams, daughter of James Adams

ref: Digest of marriages in Frds Hse Lib., Lond.

WALKER, Benjamin (1837-1891)

Benjamin Walker, the son of Benjamin Walker ( ) and his wife Elizabeth (born ) of Darley in Yorkshire, was born there on 2 July 1837(1).

He was educated at Ackworth School from 1849 to 1852(2).

He became a farmer at Haya Park, Knaresborough in Yorkshire(3) and was married in 1873 to Sarah Chipchase (1840-1915 qv) of Cotherstone in county Durham(4); there were three children, born between the years 1874 and 1879(5).

Benjamin Walker of Haya Park, Knaresborough, died on 28 January 1891, at the age of fifty three(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a grocer
- 2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 157, entry 7058: from Darley
- 3 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 4 and in the birth entries for his children
- 4 The wedding was at Cotherstone on 18 December 1873: he is described as a bachelor, a farmer of Hay-a-Park, Knaresborough, the son of Benjamin Walker, a grocer; she is described as a spinster of Lathbury, Cotherstone, the daughter of John Chipchase, a yeoman (Digest of Marriages)
- 5 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages as follows:-

Benjamin qv	b 18 Sept 1874	m 1901 Mabel Susan Hall (1873-1949 qv)
Ethel Hannah	b 28 Jan 1877	m 1909 Edward Percy Kaye
*Sarah Chipchase	b 28 Feb 1879	
- 6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a farmer

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

WALKER, Benjamin (1874-1941)

Benjamin Walker, the son of Benjamin Walker (1837-1891 qv) and his wife Sarah (born Chipchase, 1840-1915 qv) of Haya Park, Knaresborough in Yorkshire, was born there on 18 September 1874(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1885 to 1890(2).

On leaving school he was apprenticed to the grocery trade with Bartholomew Smith (1814-1897 qv) & Sons, Ltd of Thirsk in Yorkshire and was for a short time with Thomas Pumphrey of Darlington in county Durham. In 1897 he joined the staff of Rowntree & Co. Ltd of York and served them for thirty three years as a representative in the south London area. His strong constructive criticism, foresight and diligence found their outlet in the great development of the company's business which took place during those years.

He was married in 1901 to Mabel Susan Hall (1873-1949 qv) of Thirsk(3) and there were three children, born between the years 1902 and 1906(4). All three children were educated at Ackworth and in all spent nineteen years there.

He was a convinced pacifist and the power of his convictions resulted in the following remarkable decision of a Woolwich Military Tribunal in 1916: "Complete exemption while holding the same views." He was a lifelong worker for the Society of Friends, mainly in south London; into this, as with all work he undertook, he put tremendous personal energy. He served as clerk to two preparative meetings(5).

He had a lively interest in history and was able in his planned retirement at the age of fifty six to pursue his studies by visits to all the countries surrounding the Mediterranean. While on his travels in company with his wife he made a point of making contact with Friends' centres and isolated members of the Society.

During the last eight years of his life he lived on the outskirts of Brighton in Sussex and his last activities, besides encouraging lapsed members of the Ackworth Old Scholars Association, were organising the raising of funds for the Bedford Institute and the Friends Service Council.

Benjamin Walker of El Kantara, 40 Withdean Crescent, Brighton, died on 3 March 1941, at the age of sixty six(6).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 60 (1941) p 75

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a farmer
- 2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1879-1930, p 13, entry 9993: from Knaresborough
- 3 The wedding was at Thirsk on 24 July 1901: he is described as a bachelor, a commercial traveller of Lewisham, the son of Benjamin Walker, a farmer; she is described as a spinster of Thirsk, the daughter of John William Hall, a draper and grocer (Digest of Marriages)
- 4 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages as follows:-

Isabel	b 25 Aug 1902	m 1926 Harry Davis NM
Madeline		m 1961 Leslie George Alletson
Winifred qv	b 1 Jan 1904	(1897-1950 qv) 2nd wife
Benjamin Claude	b 1 March 1906	m 1939 Alice Mary Batters NM

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WALKER, Benjamin (1874-1941)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

- 5 Index of Clerks, Friends House Library:-  
    Eltham PM     - 1917-1918  
    Woolwich PM     - 1919-1924  
6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a retired commercial traveller

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

WALKER, Charles (1860-1939)

Charles Walker, the eldest son of Thompson Walker (1822-1885 qv) and his wife Rachel Hannah (born Walker, 1835-1900 qv) of Birstwith in Yorkshire, was born there on 22 February 1860(1).

He was educated at Bootham School, York, from 1874 to 1876.

He became a chemist at Hull(2) and was married in 1888 to Elizabeth Ann Garrett (fl 1888-1909 qv)(3); there were three children(4). About 1899 the family moved to Harrogate(5).

He taught in adult schools in Norwich, London and Hull for twenty years and was clerk to ~~Hornfield~~ Preparative Meeting ~~from 1926 to 1928~~ <sup>Hull</sup> in the 1890s(6).

He was a botanist and received the medal of the Pharmaceutical Society; he was also interested in genealogy.

Charles Walker died in 1939(7).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Bootham School Register 1935, p 422

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 He is so described in the birth entries for his two eldest children
- 3 Bootham School Register, loc cit: the marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages
- 4 Listed in the Digest of Births as follows:-

Dorothy Mary	b 30 May 1891
Charles Frederick	
Thompson	b 4 Nov 1895
Margaret	b 26 June 1899

No marriages are traced for these children in the Digest of Marriages to 1941
- 5 His two eldest children were born at Hull: Margaret, born in 1899, was born at Harrogate
- 6 ~~Index of Clerks, Friends House Library~~
- 7 Bootham School Register 1971, p 378: his death is not traced in the Digest of Deaths

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

- 6 Bootham register, 1935, gives his years of clerkship as 1900-7 (the 1914 ed p 264 gives no mention of the clerkship): the 1890 Yorkshire QM printed list of members shows William Linney as clerk of Hull PM; Charles Walker is shown as clerk in the 1893 and 1896 lists and James Thorp in that for 1897

WALKER, Deborah (1752-1812) after 1780 Pearson

[Deborah Walker, daughter of John Walker ( - )  
and his wife Elizabeth (born  
of Uleck, was married in 1780 to Jonathan Pearson  
(1749/50-1817 qv). ]

See PEARSON, Deborah (1752-1812) born Walker ]

WALKER, Edith Mary (1896?-1947) aftw. Ashby

[Edith Mary Walker, daughter of Joseph Walker of Gippsland, Victoria, and his wife Charlotte (nee ) was married in 1921 to A.Keith Ashby.

see    ASHBY, Edith Mary (1896-1947) born Walker ]

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WALKER, Edward (1677-1734)

Edward Walker was born at Boorne in Lincolnshire in 1677, the son of John Walker. (1) He was brought up in the Church of England. About the age of 13, in some distress of mind concerning his present and future state, he joined the Baptists. About his 18th year he was convinced <sup>of Quaker principles</sup> and joined the Society. He soon became a minister.

At some period in his youth he removed to Ipswich, Suffolk. He became a wool-comber. (2)

He married 6.vii./Sept./ 1709 at Ipswich, Sarah Greenwood of Ipswich, daughter of William Greenwood of Colchester, Essex (3).

He was serviceable not only in ministry, but in administering the discipline. He was 'Earnestly Concerned to Preserve Peace & Unity upon its antient foundation, against Such as have sought to make Rents & Divisions amongst us, in which he had a large Share of Trouble & Exercise for some years past'. His testimony had a 'Particular reach upon the Minds of such as were not of us'.

He died 6.iii./May/ 1734, and was interred in Friends Burial Ground, Ipswich, 8.iii./May/. (4)

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Woodbridge MM in TCMD vol.1 p.91

NOTES AND REFERENCES

1 Suffolk QM Marriages digest

2 ibid

3 ibid

Sarah Greenwood's birth is not in Essex QM Births digest.

She died 21.vi./Aug./1748 - Suffolk QM Burials digest

No children are recorded in Suffolk QM Births digest

4 Suffolk QM Burials digest

WALKER, Eliza (1841-1913) after 1860 Brady, after 1868 Rowntree

[Eliza Walker, daughter of Richard Walker, was married in 1860 to William Brady (1838-1862 qv) and in 1868, as his second wife, to John Rowntree (1821-1894 qv).]

see ROWNTREE, Eliza (1841-1913) formerly Brady, born Walker ]

WALKER, Elizabeth Ann (fl 1888-1909) born Garrett

Elizabeth Ann Garrett, details of whose birth and parentage are not at present (1984) traced(1), was married in 1888 to Charles Walker (1860-1939 qv), a chemist of Hull; there were three children(2).

She was probably not at the time of her marriage a member of the Society of Friends, but was apparently received into membership about the year 1899(3).

The date of her death is not at present (1984) traced(4), but she may have died about the year 1909(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Her birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
- 2 For information relating to her marriage and children see WALKER, Charles (1860-1939)
- 3 Yorkshire QM printed lists of members: she is shown as a member of Darley & Harrogate Meeting in 1899: she does not appear in the list of members of Yorkshire QM before that date
- 4 Her death is not traced in the Digest of Deaths
- 5 Yorkshire QM Printed lists of members: she appears in the list for 1909 as a member of Darley & Harrogate Meeting, with a Brighton address; she is not listed after 1909

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

WALKER, Elizabeth Hannah (1761-1827) born Hoyland *X*

Elizabeth Hannah Walker was a daughter of William and Mary Hoyland, of Sheffield, Yorkshire.

In 1789 she conducted a School in Birmingham; and in 1798 she taught school in New York City.

In 1802 she married Thomas Walker, and they became members of Purchase M.M. There is a record of her very extensive travels in the ministry, in New York Memorials 1846

British Friend, 1882, p.124

John Comly, 1853, p.166

Jnl.Friends Hist:Soc: 22

Note by Norman Penney: Pen Pictures 1930, p.174

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WALKER, Elizabeth, née Hoyland, 1761-1827.

b. Aug. 26, 1761 at Sheffield, Eng., daughter  
of William and Mary Hoyland.

1789 removed to Birmingham and conducted a school  
there. Appeared in the ministry then.

1798 removed to United States and continued teach-  
ing in New York City.

m., 1802, Thomas Walker and removed to live in  
Westchester county, N.Y.

1807 acknowledged as a minister. Did some visit-  
ing in Canada. In 1816 she travelled in the western and  
southern parts of United States. Visited Indian tribes under care of Friends.

1823 made a return visit to Great Britain and  
also some places on the Continent. Her ministry - powerful and impressive.

1825 returned to America.

d. Aug. 8, 1827, WestChester Co., N.Y., in her 66th year.

New York Y.M., Memorials (1859): 112-121

An. Mon. (O.S.) 16 (1828): 32

Memorials Concerning Deceased Fds. of Y.M. of N.Y. (1846), 35-44.

WALKER, Florence Rishworth (1873?-1948) born Dawson

Florence Rishworth Dawson of Hull, details of whose birth are not at present (1984) traced, was the daughter of Joseph Dawson, a farmer, and was born about the year 1873(1).

She was married in 1898 to Henry Walker (1864-1955 qv), a market gardener of Filey in Yorkshire, but the marriage was apparently childless(2).

Florence Rishworth Walker of Filey died on 26 February 1948, at the age of seventy five(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 75 at death: her birth is not traced in the Digest of Births
- 2 For marriage see WALKER, Henry (1864-1955)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Henry; her name is given as Florence Rushworth

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

WALKER, Frederick Thompson (1861-1905)

Frederick Thompson Walker, the son of Thompson Walker (1822-1885 qv) and his wife Rachel Hannah (born Walker, 1835-1900 qv) of Darley in Yorkshire, was born at Birstwith in Yorkshire on 29 October 1901(1).

He was educated at Bootham School, York, from 1877 to 1878.

He served as an overseer of Darley & Harrogate Meeting, was secretary of the Birstwith Liberal Association and of the Band of Hope. He was especially interested in meteorology, conchology and natural history.

Frederick Thompson Walker of Birstwith died on 29 October 1905, at the age of forty four(2).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Bootham School Register 1935, p 423

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his place of birth and his father's occupation are not given; his place of birth is given in Bootham School Register, loc cit
- 2 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a gentleman

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

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WALKER, George Washington (1800-1859)

George W. Walker was born in London in March 1800. His parents were Unitarians. His mother died in his early life and his father spent much time away from home on business.

After leaving school he was apprenticed to a person making a profession of religion. On the death of his master he was employed by Hadwen and Margaret Bragg of Newcastle upon Tyne. It was here that he first met Friends and adopted their religious principles. He was received into membership by Hull M.M.

In 1831 he accompanied James Backhouse in a visit to the British colonies and whilst visiting Cape Town was led to speak in the ministry. In 1834 George W. Walker was acknowledged a minister and given a certificate by Van Dienman's Land Y.M. to accompany James Backhouse in that capacity. When in 1840 James Backhouse returned to England George W. Walker returned to Cape Town and married Sarah Benson Mather. In 1841 he accompanied his brother-in-law in a religious visit throughout the colony. He subsequently settled in Hobart Town and began a business in the linen-drapery and haberdashery trade. He became well known in the colony and helped to establish the Bible Society and other benevolent institutions.

His last illness was short and he died on 1 February 1859 and was buried in Friends Burial Ground, Hobart Town. Aged 58; a minister 24 years.

WBE:

WALKER, George Washington, 1800-1859.

b. March 19, 1800 in London, England of Unitarian parents.

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Entered the employ of Hadwen and Margaret Bragg.

Became interested in Friends and was convinced and joined Hull Monthly Meeting.

Wrote Friendly counsel: addressed to the working classes, more especially to newly arrived emigrants.

1831, became companion to James Backhouse in his travels to New Holland, Van Diemen's Land, South Africa and elsewhere. He continued this service for nine years until 1840. During this time he began to appear in the ministry.

c. 1840 he went out to live in Tasmania and settled in Hobart, establishing himself in the linen drapery business. Later for reasons of conscience he gave up this enterprise. He became very active in the temperance movement. He was much loved on account of his devotion to these works for good.

d. Feb. 1, 1859, at Hobart, Tasmania, in his 59th year.

Backhouse, J. and Tyler, C.  
Life and labours of George W. Walker, (portrait)

Biog. Cat., 681

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:852

The Friend (London), 17(1859): 83

WALKER, Hannah (1751?-1833)

Hannah Walker of Penrith was (in the station of Elder,  
approved and respected by her Monthly and Quarterly  
Meetings."

Annual Monitor, 1834 p.35

Note by Norman Penney: Pen Pictures 1930, p.156

WALKER, Hannah (1789-1879) after 1821 Shipley

[Hannah Walker, daughter of Thomas Walker ( )  
and his wife Frances (born }  
of Leeds in Yorkshire, was married in 1821 to Thomas  
Shipley (1783- qv) of Headingley near Leeds.

See SHIPLEY, Hannah (1789-1879) born Walker ]

**WALKER, Hannah (1856-1948)**

Hannah Walker, a lifelong Friend, was born 17 March 1856, and was intimately connected with the Friends School at Brookfield, Wigton, first as a scholar and for many years as a member of the School Committee. Her visits were always thorough, including staffrooms, kitchens and gardens, and the children were sure of a greeting. Her genius for friendship and her desire to help others were exemplified in many practical ways.

'She had a deep religious conviction that the true way of life was the way of Christ, and that strength to live such a life was to be found in Meeting for Worship. As an Elder, she filled a large part in the life of the Meeting, for what she was rather than for her vocal ministry. However, when she did speak she was compelling because of her earnestness and obviously sincere belief in the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit. In this belief she lived and died.'

Hannah Walker died 13 June 1948

Testimony of Holm MM in YM Proc. 1949, p.182

WALKER, Henry (1864-1955)

Henry Walker, the son of Thompson Walker (1822-1885 qv) and his wife Rachel Hannah (born Walker, 1835-1900 qv) of Birstwith in Yorkshire, was born there on 11 August 1864(1).

He was educated at Ackworth School from 1874 to 1877(2) and went on to Bootham School, York, from 1877 to 1880(3).

He became a market gardener at Filey in Yorkshire(4) and was married in 1898 to Florence Rishworth Dawson (1873?-1948 qv) of Hull(5), but the marriage was apparently childless(6).

Henry Walker of 96 West Avenue, Filey, died on 23 March 1955, at the age of ninety(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 202, entry 9084: from Birstwith
- 3 Bootham School Register 1935, p 423
- 4 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 5
- 5 The wedding was at Hull on 6 October 1898: he is described as a bachelor, a market gardener of Carnatic Lodge, Filey, the son of Thompson Walker, a gentleman; she is described as a spinster of 33 Dover Street, Hull, the daughter of Joseph Dawson, a farmer (Digest of Marriages)
- 6 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a nurseryman, retired

N.B. There is no reference to him in J Friends Hist Soc vols 1045

WALKER, Isabel (1726-1809) after 1751 Smithson

[Isabel Walker, daughter of Miles Walker ( - )  
and his wife Anne (born )  
of Middleton in Westmorland, was married in 1751 to John  
Smithson (1720?-1794 qv).]

See SMITHSON, Isabel (1726-1809) born Walker ]

WALKER, Jane (1714-1770) after 1734 Roake

(Jane Walker, daughter of William and Elisabeth Walker of Southwark, was married in 1734 to Thomas Roake (1710-1780 qv).)

See ROAKE, Jane (1714-1770) born Walker )

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WALKER, John, (M.D.), 1759-1830

b. July 31, 1759 at Cockermouth, Cumberland,  
England, the son of an ironmonger and smith.

ed. at Grammar School and then worked as a  
blacksmith.

1779 went to Ireland and soon became a pupil of  
Esdale, an artist in Dublin. He embraced the prin-  
ciples of Friends but it is not certain whether he  
actually was admitted into membership.

Became a teacher of classics and mathematics.  
He was noted for his kindness to his pupils.

Took up the study of medicine and studied at  
Leyden and Edinburgh.

He wrote a number of books, including, Elements  
of Geography, The Universal Gazeteer, and To all Friends  
under the direction of London Yearly Meeting.

He was very concerned about the use of boys as  
chimney <sup>sweeps</sup> streets and wrote condemning the practice.

*A. Walker* d. June 23, 1830 in London, Eng., aged about 71.

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:852; Suppl., 349

Life of John Walker, M.D.

WBE:

WALKER, John Edward, 1856-1928.

b. 1856 at Eaglesfield, Cumberland, Eng.,  
son of William and Mary Walker.

ed. Wigton School. Here he began his teaching  
career under the old apprentice system.

Did further study at Flounders Institute.

Taught at Ackworth, Pontefract, Yorks. In 1881  
he became a form master at Bootham and later a house mas-  
ter, a post he held until 1884.

m., 1884, Anna Phillis (see her biog. also)

1884-1887 taught at Ackworth again. Left to  
go to Rawdon School where he served as headmaster for  
three years.

1890 called to Saffron Walden to become head of  
the school, a post he retained until his retirement  
in 1922.

d. March 20, 1928 at Saffron Walden, aged 71 years.

The Friend (London), 68(1928):272, 351 (portrait)

WALKER, John Edward (1856-1928) q/86  
add: born 9 xii 1856  
m. Anna Phillis Adams cf  
ref: Digest of births and marriages in Frds Hse Lib., Lond.

WALKER, John Ridley (1847-1915)

John R. Walker, the son of George Washington Walker and Sarah Benson Mather, was born in Tasmania in 1847.

He carried on the work started by his parents, interesting himself in the moral welfare of the City of Hobart. For many years he tried to carry on a men's adult class; he distributed literature and tracts in the poorer quarters of the City every First-day and kept on a Penny Savings Bank whose success was largely due to his untiring efforts. He was associated with the British and Foreign Bible Society and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

'Whilst not an acknowledged minister, his occasional communications in meeting were marked by deep earnestness and spiritual depth of insight and were very acceptable to Friends. His was a gentle, humble unobtrusive nature, slow to take offence, radiating with the spirit of love'.

John R. Walker died on 27 August 1915.

Testimony of Hobart M<sup>th</sup> in YM Proc. 1917, p.250

WALKER, Joseph (1856-1910)

Joseph Walker, the eldest son of Jonathan and Jane Walker of Cheetham, Manchester, was born there on 22 September 1856 (1). He early entered the business house of his father, a wholesale tea dealer.

From his earliest years he took part in efforts for the welfare of those about him. He engaged actively in the work of the Band of Hope and First-Day School of which he became Superintendent.

Joseph Walker was a lifelong member of Manchester Meeting. Throughout his life he took a special interest in smaller Meetings, occasionally giving a series of addresses to the members on Friends' Principles. He was Secretary of the Friends' Total Abstinence Association, and successively filled the offices of Clerk of the Preparative Meeting, of the Monthly Meeting, and of Lancashire and Cheshire Quarterly Meeting. He also served as an Overseer, and became Clerk to the Overseers. His service in this capacity was particularly valued by those who needed not only help, but sympathy. Later he became an Elder and was an active member of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight.

Joseph Walker resided at Eccles for over thirty years and gave active assistance to the evening Meeting for Worship at Pendleton which had been the outcome of an Adult School there. Mainly through his care and energetic advocacy a Meeting House was eventually erected at Pendleton.

He never married, but lived with his sister who took pleasure in having young folk at his house for tea and social intercourse followed by the discussion of some Quaker biography. He was for some years Secretary of the Manchester Friends' Institute and was President in its Jubilee Year; and in his Presidential Address gave a valuable summary of its fifty years' history. He took great interest in the Hardshaw Trusts, serving on the Hardshaw Education Committee.

His deep concern for the welfare of the Society of Friends is evident from a mere enumeration of his activities.

After many months of illness he died at the age of fifty four, on 30 October 1910

PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Testimony of Lancashire & Cheshire Q.M. printed in Y.M.Proc. 1911, p.261

REFERENCES AND NOTES :

1. Digest of Burial Notes: his father is described as Tea-dealer

WBE:

WALKER, Joseph, ~~x~~.1856-1910

b. 22 Sept. ~~x~~.1856, probably near Manchester, Eng.

A public speaker and lecturer of some note in  
the area.

Took a lifelong interest in the business of the  
Society of Friends, beginning first with service in  
his own preparative meeting in Manchester, as workers and  
then for many years as superintendant of the Sunday  
School.

Made an overseer and did much useful family  
visiting. Young people liked him and his home was  
open to them. He served as Clerk of Preparative,  
Monthly and Quarterly (Lancs. & Cheshire) Meeting.

Among his major concerns were temperance and  
education. He was a founder and chief inspiration of  
a new meeting at Pendleton in the suburbs of Manchester.

Lived with his sister and never married.

d. Oct. 30, 1910 at Roos House, Eccles, aged 54.

The Friend (London), 50(1910): 746, 757 (portrait)

An. Mon. (N.S.)99(1912): 177

WALKER, Joshua (1746-1817)

Joshua Walker, the son of Joshua and Margaret Walker of Bradford, was born there on 14 VIII [October] 1746 (1). He was educated at the Free Grammar school there and afterwards privately at Skipton. He studied medicine at Edinburgh University and while a student carried out some experiments in 1769 on the sulphureous water of Harrogate. These formed the basis of his M.D. thesis. He then settled in practise in Hull where he was soon successful and he only moved to Leeds on account of his wife's health (he had married in 1781 Mary Arthington (2). There were two children (3) ). Dr Walker was elected physician at the Infirmary at Leeds in November 1782 and retired in June 1806 having 'paid un-  
(3a)/  
wornied attention to the duties of his office'. In 1784 he had published An essay on the waters of Harrogate and Thorp Arch

Dr Walker was a member of the Society of Friends. His wife Mary Arthington was a daughter of John Arthington Esq who founded with Mr Lodge the Leeds Old Bank, founded in 1750 or 1788 as Lodge & Arthington. It became known in 1840 as Beckett's Bank. (3b)

*Mary Walker*  
~~Mary Arthington~~ died in 1821. Dr Walker had died at his house in Park Place Leeds on 12 February 1817 (4)

REFERENCES & NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM births digest. Mayhall describes him as coming of 'Highly respectable parents'.
- 2 The wedding was at Brighouse on 24 March 1781: he is described as of Hull, physician; she is described as the daughter of John (banker, deceased) and Mary Arthington of Leeds  
*Digest of marriage registers.*
- 3 Listed in Digest of birth notes as follows  
Mary born 21 Mar 1782 Hull, [who married in 1813 William Leatham  
Margaret born 29 Jan 1792 ←  
3a Taylor p. 264  
4 Yorkshire QM burial Digest

3b Pemberton

pp. 56-9

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WALKER, Joshua (1746-1817) /cont

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A brief 1817 presscutting from an unknown source (Friends House vol. 00/44) describes him as of Park place, and adds, 'His professional talents will be regretted as a public loss: his erudition as a scholar entitled him to an eminent rank in literature; and the urbanity and liberality of an enlightened mind will ever endear his memory to his afflicted relations and numerous friends.'

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WALKER, Lewis, -1728.

A member of Haverford, Pa., Monthly Meeting  
and a worthy elder.

Had a meeting in his own house in the Valley  
(now called the Great Valley - beyond Paoli - BLC).  
He was instrumental in settling a Meeting there and  
gave a plot of ground for use as a burying place for  
Friends.

d. Oct. 23, 1728, The Valley, Penna.

John Smith's Ms. 3:582

WBE:

WALKER, Louisa, c.1873-1924.

b. c. 1873 at Norwich (?), Ont. Canada,  
daughter of Thomas and Julia (Atkins) Walker.

ed. at training college at Woodstock; also at  
Chester House.

1901 sailed for India and did mission work there  
for 23 years, accepting only occasional furloughs. She  
was a very friendly person who was welcome in homes of  
Christian and Moslem alike. She was never very strong  
physically.

d. Nov. 11, 1924 in Norwich, Canada, in her  
51st year.

The Friend (London), 64(1924): 1050, 1123 (portrait)

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WALKER, Lucy (1821-1901) born Ellis

Lucy Ellis was born 12 April 1821, the sixth of seven daughters of William and Sarah Ellis of Mansfield (1) where her childhood and early youth were passed in pleasant surroundings among trees and flowers. All her life she had an ardent love of nature and she treasured particularly her memories of her happy early days. She attended school in York and Chester. Soon after leaving, her first real grief came to her in the death of her father.

After some years of home life she married in 1847 William Walker of Leeds (2), and for 10 years her time and thought were devoted to the care of a young family - there were six children (3). She then lost her husband, and bravely and unflinchingly took up the task of being both father and mother to her six young children.

In about 1866 her voice was first heard in Meeting, and the sweetness of her words and the earnestness of her prayers were felt by many. Her desire was to set forth a simple and beautiful religion with Christ crucified at its heart. She held in turn nearly all the offices of her own Meeting, and in 1879 and 1880 was clerk of the Women's Yearly Meeting (4). She was also a recorded minister. She did much valued work in Leeds on the Guardians' Home, prison visiting and temperance, for the cause of peace and in the protest movement against opium traffic. Her sympathies were wide and she brought balm to many in times of trouble and grief. As her physical powers failed, she gave more time to painting and poetry, which had always been interests to her. Many trials and losses in her family had to be met and borne, and she had a strong sense of eternal life and a future in which she would meet again those whom she had lost on earth.

She died on 14<sup>th</sup> April 1901 at the age of 80 full of peace and confidence in God's love.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual monitor 1902 pp.130-136

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Derby & Notts QM Births Digest: her father is described as grocer  
-field 2 The marriage was at Mansfield FMI on 15 September 1847: he is described as bachelor, stuff merchant, of Leeds, son of Robert Walker, gentleman; she is described as spinster, of Mansfield, daughter of William Ellis, grocer (Digest of Marriage Registers)

[contd]

WALKER, Lucy (1821-1901) born Ellis contd

3 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows:

Elizabeth Storrs	b 16 June 1848	d 7 April 1886
Edith Mary	b 11 Jan 1850	
Marion	b 27 Sept 1851	
Robert William	b 9 May 1853	
Alice	b 4 March 1855	
Herbert	b 8 May 1857	

4 London YM during 250 years, 1919 p.137

WALKER, Mabel Susan (1873-1949) born Hall

Mabel Susan Hall, the daughter of John William Hall (1842-1929 qv) and his wife Mary Ann (born Smith, 1841-1911 qv) of Thirsk in Yorkshire, was born there on 18 September 1873(1). She was educated at Ackworth School from 1886 to 1889(2).

Her great interests throughout her life were adult schools, temperance societies and activities of the Society of Friends. After leaving school she set to work to collect pledges from the families round her home, in the cause of temperance, displaying both energy and courage.

She was married in 1901 to Benjamin Walker (1874-1941 qv), a commercial traveller of Lewisham in south London and there were three children, born between the years 1902 and 1906(3). While living in London she was an active member of Deptford Meeting, then of Peckham and later of Woolwich, a meeting which she helped to found.

On her husband's retirement they toured abroad for two years, visiting European and Mediterranean centres. During these travels they met a number of Ackworth old scholars with whom it was a pleasure to renew old memories. Until her husband's death they lived at Brighton in Sussex and later she lived at Salisbury with her daughter.

Mabel Susan Walker of 23 Moberly Road, Salisbury, died on 31 December 1949, at the age of seventy six(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 69 (1950) p 65

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a grocer and draper
- 2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1879-1930, p 16, entry 10114: from Thirsk
- 3 For marriage and children see WALKER, Benjamin (1874-1941)
- 4 The Friend vol 108 (1950) p 27: she is described as the wife of the late Benjamin Walker; her death is not traced in the Digest of Deaths

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

WALKER, Madeline Winifred (1904-1974) after 1961 Alletson

[Madeline Winifred Walker, daughter of Benjamin Walker (1874-1941 qv) and his wife Mabel Susan (born Hall, 1878-1949 qv) of London and Salisbury, was married in 1961 to Leslie George Alletson (1897-1980 qv) of Bristol and Bradford on Avon.

See ALLETSON, Madeline Winifred (1904-1974) born Walker ]

WALKER, Madeline Winifred ( 1904 - 1974 ) after 1961 Alletson.

Madeline Winifred Walker, younger daughter of Benjamin  
( ) and Mabel Susan ( b. Hall )  
Walker married Leslie George Alletson on March 25, 1961,  
at Shaftesbury FMH.

SEE

ALLETSON, Madeline Winifred ( 1904 - 1974 ) b. Walker

SGJ. 1977

WALKER, Margaret (1792-1871) after 1813 Leatham

[Margaret Walker, daughter of Joshua Walker (1746-1817 qv)  
and his wife Mary (born Arthington,  
of Leeds in Yorkshire, was married in 1813 to William  
Leatham (1783?-1842 qv).}

See LEATHAM, Margaret (1792-1871) born Walker ]

WALKER, Maria (1845-1932)

Maria Walker, the daughter of Thomas and Ann Swale Walker of Darby in Yorkshire, was born there on 24 November 1845(1). Her father was a yeoman farmer who had been disowned for marrying outside the Society, but he took no notice of his disownment and continued to attend meeting regularly, accompanied by his wife and children; after a few years the whole family were admitted into the Society. Maria inherited much of his independence and strength of character. She was educated at Ackworth from 1858 to 1861 and then went on to The Mount at York.

After leaving school she went for a short time as governess to the family of Joseph Crosfield of Reigate, followed by a period of living with her brother Robert at Boroughbridge. While she was at Boroughbridge she was asked by Lydia Rous to return to The Mount as temporary house-keeper and proved so capable that she was asked to accept the post permanently, but family considerations prevented her from doing this. On the death of her brother in 1876 she settled in York to be near her sister Mary Ann Burtt and lived there for the rest of her life. She went to Canada in 1879 to visit four brothers and a sister who had all married and settled over there.

Maria Walker was always a great reader and was exceedingly competent and well informed. Until she was eighty she was an overseer and served on several committees of York Meeting, and her closing years were well filled by her household tasks and her many and varied occupations. She was obliged to spend her latter years in bed and died on 25 November 1932(2), the day after her eighty seventh birthday.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports, 1933, p 91

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a farmer

2 Digest of Deaths: she is described as a spinster of 46 Acomb Road, York

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

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### WALKER, Maria (1858-1939)

Maria Walker, the daughter of Jonathan and Jane Walker of Cheetham in Lancashire, was born there on 3 September 1858(1). She was educated at Ackworth from 1869 to 1873 and at the Manchester Girls' High School, where she was one of the first scholars. After leaving school she did some teaching, but gave this up when she was needed at home to look after her invalid mother.

When she was about twenty years old the family moved to Eccles and for the next sixty years she served her Friends' meeting with concern of mind and spirit, kind acts and careful plans. She was for many years an overseer of Hardshaw East Monthly Meeting and was beloved by the children, to whom she was a patient and trusted comrade. She helped her brother Joseph (1856-1910 qv) in his many activities on behalf of young Friends in Manchester and they moved to a larger house so as to be able to provide more facilities for education and social gatherings. She also worked on behalf of the British & Foreign Bible Society and the British Women's Total Abstinence Union, and served on the Home ~~Sewing~~ Committee(2).

Mission

Her life was consistently graced with sympathy, understanding and practical help freely given. She died on 30 March 1939 at the age of eighty(3).

#### PRINCIPAL SOURCES

The Friend vol 97 (1939) p 314

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 1939, p 97

#### REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a tea dealer
- 2 Typescript Committee lists, Friends House Library
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as of 77 Victoria Crescent, Eccles, Lancashire, the daughter of Jonathan and Jane

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

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**WALKER, Mary** ( -1698)

Mary Walker was a Friend, of Hawkshead, and assisted in the distribution of the women's stock. She also spun yarn for Mrs Lower. There was a Mary Walker, spinster, of Walkersground, near Hawkshead, who died in 1698, and is entered in the Friends' Registers.

Note by Norman Penney in 'The Household Account Book of Sarah Fry'  
1920, p.559

MILLER, Mary (1684-1738/9) after 1710 Freeman

(Mary Walker, daughter of William and Mary Walker of Blackfriars, London, was married in 1710 to Henry Freeman.

see FREEMAN, Mary (1684-1738/9) born Walker)

WALKER, Mary Ann (1835-1895) after 1865 Burtt

[Mary Ann Walker, daughter of Thomas Walker ( )  
and his wife Ann Swale (born ) of  
Darley, Yorkshire, was married in 1865 to Petchell  
Burtt (1818-1885 qv) of York.

see BURTT, Mary Ann (1835-1895) born Walker ]

WALKER, Mary Ann (1827?-1906) after 1858 Pickard

[Mary Ann Walker of Maryport, daughter of John Walker,  
was married in 1858 to William Pickard (1820-1900 qv)  
of Lancaster.

See PICKARD, Mary Ann (1827?-1906) born Walker ]

WALKER, Rachel Hannah (1835-1900) born Walker

Rachel Hannah Walker, the daughter of Thomas Walker ( - ) and his wife Rebecca (born ) of Mirfield in Yorkshire, was born there on 18 September 1835(1).

She was married in 1856 to Thompson Walker (1822-1885 qv), a mercantile clerk of Rawden in Yorkshire and there were seven children(2). After the marriage they moved to Birstwith near Harrogate in Yorkshire(3).

Rachel Hannah Walker of East View, Birstwith near Ripley, died on 22 August 1900, at the age of sixty four(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a cloth manufacturer
- 2 For marriage and children see WALKER, Thompson (1822-1885)
- 3 See entry for WALKER, Thompson (1822-1885)
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Thompson

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

WALKER, Reginald ( -1682)

(Reginald)

Reginald Walker resided at Fell-foot in Little Langdale. At his house in 1659 took place the marriage of William Wilson tailor, of Langdale Chapel Steel (d.1682, for whom see Camb. Jnl.) and Dorothy Sharpe, of Eshdale. Reginald's eldest daughter, Mabel, married William Barrow in 1676. Another daughter, Sarah, married William Atkinson in 1693. His wife, Margaret, died in 1695. He had considerable dealings with Sarah Fell in regard to the sale of iron and in the work of the forge. Money on loan also passed between them. His fine, bold signature to minutes of Swarthmoor Monthly Meeting of Friends is that of an educated man.

Note by N. Penney in 'The Household Account Book of Sarah Fell'  
1920, p.517

WALKER, Robert (1716/7-1785)

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Robert Walker was born 17.i./March/1716/7, the son of John and Sarah Walker of Batley, Yorks (1). He was appointed an Elder when young and was very serviceable in meetings for discipline. He became a clothier (2).

He married 25.viii./Oct./ 1743, at Liversedge, Hannah Firth, daughter of Jacob Firth of Liversedge, Yorks (3). They lived at Gildersome, near Leeds (4).

in 1751 he was called to the ministry, in which he appeared with few words and mostly in his home neighbourhood until 1756, after which with the unity of Friends he at different times visited most parts of England, travelled once to Ireland, and in 1773 visited North America, where he laboured with much fervency of spirit & was favoured with a Sense of the then approaching Troubles in that part of the World & delivered many faithfull Warnings, suitable Caution & Instruction...

'He was much devoted to the Lord's Service, of an humble Mind, & exemplary upright Conversation, accompanied with innocent Chearfulness; was properly concerned that his temporal Affairs might be conducted reputably'.

In 1785 with a certificate from his MM he visited Friends in London, and afterwards, because his health was worsening, went to the house of Thomas Phillips at Tottenham. He died there, 24 Sept. 1785, aged about 68, and was buried from Devonshire House, at Friends Burying Ground, Whitechapel, 29 Sept. (5)

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Brighouse MM in TCMD vol.3 p.309

NOTES AND REFERENCES

1 Yorks QM Births digest 1578-1776

2 Yorks QM Marriage digest 1720-1837

3 ibid.

Hannah Firth's birth is not in Yorks QM Births digest. She died 29 May, 1792, aged 71 - Yorks QM Births digest 1776-1837

e/ Note: a Hannah Firth, daughter of Joseph and Hannah Firth of Shipley, was born 2.viii./Oct./1716 - Yorks QM Births digest 1578-1776

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WALKER, Robert (1716/7-1785) contd.

Children:

John	born 30.x./Dec./1744	died 17 June 1779
Mary	born 26.ix./Nov./1747	
Hannah	born 4 March 1752	
Robert	born 22 May 1755	
Joseph	born 28 Nov. 1757	
Sarah	born 8 June 1760	
Thomas	born 10 March 1763	
Benjamin		died 27 July 1766

- Yorks QM Births digest 1578-1776

Yorks QM Burials digest

4 J.Friends hist.soc. vol.10 (1913) p.131 n.  
5 Yorks QM Burials digest 1776-1837

SEE ALSO

10 Piety promoted (1854 ed.) vol.3 p.143  
L.G. Ball's Premonitory extracts &c (Bristol pr.pr./1819/) p.245  
'B. Kayes Journal to and at ye Yearly Meeting, London, 1787'  
in J. Friends hist.soc. vol.21 (1924) pp.57, 60n.

WBE:

WALKER, Robert, <sup>1716</sup>  
d. <sup>1718</sup> 1718- 1785.  
b. 17. I (Mar) <sup>1716</sup>  
d. <sup>1717</sup> 1717

Robert Walker  
Browder, History

2 : 292-294

ome, near Leeds, England. He  
'oviding for his temporal needs.  
n the ministry and became an  
is said of him that he was  
literature, but well instructed in  
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America in the ministry. At  
told the coming of war. At a  
. I., he said, "I request Friends  
a little salt. God is not pleased  
ferings."

ern to have a religious oppor-  
ates to the Congress being held  
ained this opportunity, which  
sailed for England. A cutter  
of capturing the boat but they  
rising of a mist.

at Tottenham, England, aged about

, 10 (1913); 131

(1887):241; 18(1855):279

WALKER, Robert (1755? - 1820)

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Robert Walker was born about 1755 and resided at Darley (1).

| He was a minister for about 25 years. 'His appearances in the ministry were not large nor frequent, yet they were lively and acceptable.' He confined his services principally to his own Particular and Monthly Meetings.

He died on 2 November 1820

Minute of Knaresbro' Monthly Meeting in MS.Testimonies, Vol.5 p.137

References and notes:

- 1 <sup>One</sup> Robert Walker, son of Robert and Hannah Walker of Batley, was born 22 May 1755 (Yorks QM Births Digest) but this cannot with certainty be identified as the same person

WALKER, Sarah (1760-1822) after 1783 Spence

[Sarah Walker, daughter of Robert Walker (~~1747~~-1785 qv)  
and his second wife Hannah (born Hopkins )  
of Birstal in Yorkshire, was married in 1783 to  
Robert Spence (1742-1793 qv) of Hartwith in Yorkshire

See SPENCE, Sarah (1760-1822) born Walker ]

WALKER, Sarah (1811-1894) after 1843 Stansfield

[Sarah Walker, daughter of Robert Walker ( )  
and his wife Hannah (born  
of Sandal Magna in Yorkshire, was married in 1843 to  
John Slater Stansfield (1819-1885 qv) of Bradford in  
Yorkshire.

See STANSFIELD, Sarah (1811-1894) born Walker ]

WALKER, Sarah (1839?-1898) after 1866 Nicholson

[Sarah Walker, daughter of Thomas and Ann Walker of Darley in Yorkshire, was married in 1866 to Herbert Nicholson (1841-1926 qv).]

See NICHOLSON, Sarah (1839?-1898) born Walker ]

WALKER, Sarah (1840-1915) born Chipchase

Sarah Chipchase, the daughter of John Chipchase (1789-1862 qv) and his wife Alice (born Robson, 1799?-1853 qv) of Lethbury, Cotherstone in county Durham, was born there on 17 May 1840(1).

She was educated at Ackworth School from 1852 to 1855(2) and after leaving Ackworth she went for a time to Polam Hall.

She was married in 1873 to Benjamin Walker (1837-1891 qv), a farmer of Knaresborough in Yorkshire and there were three children, born between the years 1874 and 1879(3).

The last years of her life were spent at Harrogate in Yorkshire.

Sarah Walker of 56 Leeds Road, Harrogate, died on 12 September 1915, at the age of seventy five(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 35 (1916) p 94

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a yeoman  
AOSA Reports loc cit gives her father's name as James
- 2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 103, entry 7363: from Cotherstone
- 3 For marriage and children see WALKER, Benjamin (1837-1891)
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Benjamin

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

WBE:

WALKER, Sarah Miller, 1799-1874

b. Oct. 19, 1799 at Moore Hall, Chester County,  
Penn., daughter of

1820 The family removed to Susquehanna County in  
Penn. and two years later settled at Woodburn.

A worker for peace, she also gathered supplies to  
be forwarded to the needy. She was an active politician  
in the best sense.

Maintained a most hospitable home.

d. March 22, 1874 at Woodburn, Susq. County, Pa.,  
aged about 74 years.

A sermon preached by the Rev. E. Mulford at Montrose,  
Penn., 1874.

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

WALKER, Thomas

lived in Norwich, Canada

1884-85 Clerk, Canada Y. Mtg.

d. 1903 or 1904

Elliott, Errol T., Qu. on the Am. Frontier, 390.

Minutes of Canadian Y. Mtg. (1904), 29.

25

WALKER, Thomas (1793-1851)

Thomas Walker was the son of Joseph and Sarah Walker of Leeds, where he was born in 1793. He married in 1833 Anna Maria Phelps of Dublin, who survived him.

He first appeared in the ministry about 1823 and was recorded by Brighouse M.M. in 1827. His labours were chiefly confined to his own and neighbouring meetings.

He retired from trade early in life and though he lived in great retirement he took a lively interest in visiting the poor and promoting their welfare. He was keenly interested in Friends' testimony against war, a willing burden-bearer in the church, hospitable to visiting Friends and for many years an overseer.

He was present and ministered at the morning and evening meetings on 22 June 1851, but was taken ill the following day and died on 24 June 1851, aged 58 years. His body was interred in Friends Burial Ground, Leeds.

Testimony of Brighouse M.M. in Testimonies 1852, p.18

WBE:

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WALKER, Thomas, 1793-1851.

b. 1793 at Leeds, England, son of Joseph  
and Sarah Walker.

1823 first spoke as a minister and was recognized as  
such four years later.

m., 1833, Anna Maria Phelps.  
Retired early from trade and was much given to hos-  
pitality and to diligent visiting of the poor.

d. June 24, 1851 after only two days illness at  
Springfield Mount, Leeds, England, aged 58 years.

Testimonies of deceased ministers, 17, p.18

An. Mon. (N.S.) 10(1852): 91

The Friend (London): 9(1851): 133

WALKER, Thomas (1808-1865)

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Thomas Walker was born in 1808 at Ullock, in the compass of Pardshaw Monthly Meeting, and spent his whole life there. Though he was an active Friend it was not until the last few years of his life that he spoke in meeting for worship, and he was recorded as a minister less than a year before his death on 31 December 1865

Testimony of Pardshaw M.M. in Y.M.Proc. 1867, p.i

WALKER, Thompson (1822-1885)

Thompson Walker, the son of John Walker ( - ) and his wife Mary (born ) of Rawden in the parish of Guiseley in Yorkshire, was born there on 28 June 1822(1).

He became a mercantile clerk at Rawden(2) and was married in 1856 to Rachel Hannah Walker (1835-1900 qv) of Hartwith in Yorkshire(3); there were seven children(4).

After his marriage he moved to Birstwith near Harrogate in Yorkshire(5).

Thompson Walker of Birstwith in Ripley died on 1 May 1885, at the age of sixty two(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: his father is described as a clothier
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Darley on 16 October 1856: he is described as a bachelor, a mercantile clerk of Rawden, the son of John Walker, retired from business; she is described as a spinster of Hartwith, the daughter of Thomas Walker, retired from business (Digest of Marriages)
- 4 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages as follows:-

Charles qv	b 22 Feb 1860	m 1888 Elizabeth Ann Garrett (Bootham Register 1935, p 422)
*Frederic Thompson	b 29 Oct 1861	
*Lucy	b 17 May 1863	
Henry	b 11 Aug 1864	m 1898 Florence Rishworth Dawson
*Anne	b 22 Aug 1865	
*Emily	b 30 Aug 1866	
*Edith	b 20 Jan 1870	
- \*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1930
- 5 With the exception of Frederic Thompson, who was born at Darley, all his children were born at Birstwith: no occupation is given for him
- 6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a gentleman

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

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1886, p 145: 2 line entry for death

WBE:

WALKER, William

A farmer living at East Thickly, Durham, England.

m. , who joined Friends.

1725, published A true copy of some original letters,  
which passed between John Hall...an eminent Quaker teacher,  
and William Walker...

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:854

WBE:

WALKER, William, -1694.

✓

b. in Yorkshire, England, son of

Joined with Friends and did much visiting of the poor and sick.

He himself had no trade and was a laborer. He was an early settler in Pennsylvania and actually was convinced while there.

m., 1689, Elizabeth Morgan, nee Brintnall, who lived three years after his death. They were together in business as small trades people.

1693 William Walker went to England on a religious visit, going to several counties around London and also into Wales. He expressed his great sorrow for the apostasy of George Keith and testified that the Lord would judge that spirit.

While in London he was taken ill.

d. June 12, 1694 in Southwark, London, aged .

John Smith's Ms. 3:499

The Friend (Phila.) 27 (1854):285

Phila. Y.M., A Col. of Mem., (1787): 20

Piety pro., Part 2: 190

WALLACE, John ( 1897 - 1973 )

John Wallace was born at Bebburn on Tyne in 1897, and as a boy was fortunate in securing one of the few free places at Jarrow Grammar School. He knew the austereities of the north of England at this time, and before he could go to University, the first world war broke out. He joined the army in 1916 and was on active service in N. Italy. The sufferings of civilians and especially of children which he saw there led him to become a staunch pacifist. After the war he entered Durham University where he took a degree in agriculture and then taught for six years at Invergordon Academy. Then in 1929 he joined the staff at Ayton School, where he met and married Betty Davidson, who was cook at the school,(1) and where also, he joined the Society.(2)

Some eighteen years later he moved to Cheltenham (3) where he taught at the emergency training college for teachers, and then later at St. Paul's College where he was in charge of the Rural Science Dept.

The family now included three daughters and one son, Ann, Sheila, Mary and John.(4)

In 1958 John Wallace was elected President of Ayton Old Scholars Assocn. His direct concern for the welfare of children was shown in his work with others in the town to provide holidays in England for seriously deprived children who came from the ruins of Berlin and the devastated areas of France. He served his local meeting in many capacities with conscientiousness and with dependability.

He died at his home in Cheltenham on October 25, 1973 aged (about) 76.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol 132 (1974) p. 46.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. Elizabeth Davidson is recorded in the Ayton School Register of 1932 as cook, but in the 1933 Report, she is not shown and the name of a new cook is recorded. This implies that the marriage took place in 1932/3. Her full names are recorded in the Digest of Births ( see (4) ) as Elizabeth Dykes Murdoch.
2. John Wallace is recorded in Durham QM printed list of members as an attender at Ayton in 1932. In the 1934 list he and his wife are shown as attenders, and in the 1936 list as members.
3. Western QM printed list of members shows the family as members of Cheltenham Meeting in 1948.
4. Digest of Births Three children are recorded as follows:-

Sheila Jean	b.	24. 9. 35
Mary Davidson	b.	21. 7. 43
John	b.	2.11. 44

The eldest daughter Elizabeth Ann is recorded in Durham QM printed list of members for 1936 as 2 years old. She would therefore have been born in 1933/4 when her parents were not in membership.

**WALLER, Alice (1774-1850) formerly Horner, born Birkbeck**

Alice Birkbeck, the daughter of William and Sarah Birkbeck of Settle in the parish of Giggleswick, Yorkshire, was born there on 10 January 1774.(1) She was educated in the beliefs and principles of the Society and when quite young became a pupil at the school for girls in York, but her mother's ill health obliged her to leave school early. On her mother's death she found herself at the age of sixteen in entire charge of her father's household.

In 1805 she married Benjamin Horner of York(2) and there were four children.(3) Her husband had a wide circle of friends and her marriage introduced her into gay society; she and her husband had an especial joy in music and occasionally went to concerts and other places of amusement. But her early training and the responsibility of educating her children made her increasingly uneasy that her life should be devoted to the pursuit of pleasure; her conscience troubled her and by degrees she abandoned the life she had been leading and became a consistent plain Friend. She maintained affectionate contact with her many friends, who respected her motives and whose love for her was increased by her steadfast devotion to her principles.

The early death of her only daughter and her husband's death in 1836(4) increased her need for the support and solace of her religion and she became a diligent attender at meetings for worship. Her second marriage in 1839 to Robert Waller of Holgate near York(5) was of comparatively short duration; he died in 1846(6) after a long illness. At this point her health, which had been indifferent for some time, gave way completely. She was removed to the house of her eldest son in Essex, where she lived until her death at the age of seventy six on 25 June 1850.(7)

**PRINCIPAL SOURCE**

Annual Monitor 1851 pp 70-79

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 The wedding was at Settle on 16 October 1805; he is described as a surgeon dentist of the city of York, the son of Edward, a grocer, and Jane Horner; she is described as the daughter of William and Sarah Birkbeck of Settle, Yorkshire (Yorkshire QM Marriages Digest)
- 3 Listed in Yorkshire QM Births Digest as follows:-

William	b 8 June 1806
Sarah Jane	b 15 Sept 1808
Edward	b 3 June 1811
Charles	
Birkbeck	b 8 Feb 1817

continued

WALLER, Alice (1774-1850) formerly Horner, born Birkbeck continued

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 4 Yorkshire QM Burials Digest: he died on 25 March 1836; he is described as a dentist
- 5 The wedding was at Thornton le Clay on 11 July 1839: he is described as a gentleman, a widower, the son of Joseph Waller, a bleacher; she is described as a widow of the city of York, the daughter of William Birkbeck, a banker (Digest of Marriages)
- 6 Digest of Deaths: he died on 4 November 1846; no description of him is given
- 7 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Robert

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

WALLER, Anne (fl 1712-1726) after 1712 Sayers

[Anne Waller, daughter of William Waller of Shipley  
in Sussex, was married in 1712 to Benjamin Sayers  
( -1764 qv) of Crawley in Sussex.

See SAYERS, Anne (fl 1712-1726) born Waller ]

WALLER, Barbara (1779-1849)

Barbara Waller, the daughter of Joseph Waller, was born about the year 1779.(1) Details of her early life and education are not at present (1975) traced, but as a young woman she lived for many years with her brother Stephen Waller at Clapton and during his wife's long illness took entire charge of his household and young family.

When her sister-in-law recovered she moved to York and lived for a time with her brother Robert. In 1829 she was persuaded to take charge of the domestic side of the Boys' School recently established by Yorkshire Quarterly Meeting and, although her health was delicate, her lively and energetic mind found there a sphere of usefulness which fully engaged her talent for organisation. Her kindly interest in the school increased as the years passed and she was happy in a situation which she occupied with benefit to the scholars and her own peace of mind.

She was obliged to leave the school at the end of 1836 as her brother Robert's wife had died and she was needed to take care of his household. She remained with her brother at Holgate near York until his (1839) second marriage<sup>2</sup> when she had once again to move. She finally settled at York, where she remained until her death at the age of seventy, on 13 November 1849.(2)

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual Monitor 1851 pp.66-70

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 70 at death. There is no entry in Yorkshire QM, Berks & Oxon QM, Cambridgeshire QM, Gloucester & Wilts QM, Bristol & Somerset QM, London & Middlesex QM or Northamptonshire QM. The marriage entry for her brother Robert gives his father's name as Joseph: see WALLER, Alice (1774-1850 qv)
- 2 Digest of Deaths: she is described as a spinster

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

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WBE:

WALLER, Edmund (or Edmond), -1699.

b. , son of Edmund Waller,  
the poet, and Mary (Bracey) Waller, his second wife.

Was a member of Parliament in reigns of Charles II and James II. Attended Friends' meetings.

Joined Friends and retired to his estate at Beaconsfield. He was well educated and of high social standing. He never married.

1698 published Letter...(on his joining with the people called Quakers.

The stability of his adherence to Quakerism has been questioned.

d. c.1699 at Hall Barn (?), Beaconsfield, Eng.

Jour. Frds. Hist. Soc., 8(1911): 129

Jos. Smith's Cat., 2:855

WBE:a (biography prepared by B.L.G.)

WALLER, Ellen Catherine, 1883-1949.

b. Jan. 17, 1883, daughter of Thomas Hutchinson and Esther Ann (Wright) Waller of Birmingham.

ed. local school run by an aunt; Ackworth for a term; then to Edgbaston High School for Girls in Birmingham. Went to Westfield College to read classics.

Taught school at Haslemere and at The Mount School - the latter under Winifred Sturge, circa 1905. Then went to teach in secondary schools At Harrowgate and at Yardley.

1921 appointed Head of Saltburn High School for Girls - made all phases of the life of the school, educational, spiritual and social of real importance.

1926 - 1940 served as Headmistress of the Mount School at York.

1929 severe surgery for trouble with her ankle and leg, resulted in amputation. Did not allow this to handicap her <sup>D</sup> in any way. Supervised the war time removal of The Mount from York to Cober Hill, Cloughton.

1940, Easter time went to live with a beloved sister at Street in Somersetshire. Enjoyed cooking and visits to London for art gallery and museum purposes when circumstances permitted.

Was invited to become a member of the committee which oversaw the school at The Mount. Served on this until her death.

d. 12th month 31st, 1949, of heart failure, only five weeks after the death of her sister May with whom she had been living since her retirement.

Ramsay, E.L. : Ellen Catherine Waller, 1883-1949  
The Friend, London, v. 108 (1950) : 31

WALLER, Francis Edmund ( 1924 - 1978 )

Francis (Frank) Waller was born on 19, August 1924, the youngest son of Thomas ( ) and Dorothy (b. ) Waller of Glastonbury.(1)

He was educated at Ackworth and at Bootham and then trained in farming in Lincolnshire. When the second world war broke out he volunteered for flying service in the fleet air arm. After the war he returned to farming, at this time he met Ethel Kelsall ( ) a Friend and fellow scholar of Ackworth. They were married at Ackworth F.M.H. on October 6, 1948 (2) and set up home in Lincolnshire.(3) Later, because of the uncertainties of farming, he accepted the opportunity to train as a commercial pilot and became in time senior captain of Cambrian Airways. They were now living in South Wales and he and Ethel were involved in the founding of Bridgend Meeting.(4) At the age of 50 heart trouble caused him to retire and they bought an old house in Westbury, Somerset, which his family helped him to transform and also to build a studio and workshop for him to develop the making of pottery, which had been a hobby, into a commercial venture, which was apparently successful. He was a gentle, humourous, concerned and loving man.

He died, while he and Ethel were visiting cousins in Lincolnshire on October 29, 1978, aged 54.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE      The Friend. Vol. 136 (1978) p. 1462.

REFERENCES & NOTES

1. Birth Digest. His father is described as a nurseryman. Note: the obituary cited above records the family as being of Barnstaple, Devon.
2. Marriage Digest. "e is described as bachelor, farm student.
3. Derby, Lincoln & Notts QM printed list of members for 1949 records them at Broughton, near Grantham.  
Lancs & Cheshire QM printed list of members for 1958 records them at Garstang, Lancs.
4. Western QM printed list of members for 1961 records them as members of Bridgend Allowed Meeting.

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WALLER, Herbert Ingle (1879-1956)

Herbert Waller was born 21 September 1879, in York,  
the son of William E.Waller.

While a young man he was much influenced by John  
Wilhelm Rowntree, Edward Grubb, Neave Brayshaw and others, and  
by the summer schools 1900-1910.

When he was about 30 he was recorded as a minister.

He had particular interest in Woodbrooke, and in the  
Retreat, being a Governor of the latter. He represented  
Friends on the York Free Church Council.

It was, however, through his regular and faithful  
attendance at Meeting and through his vocal ministry that  
he gave his most influential service.

He died 5 September 1956

Testimony of York M.M. in Y.M.Proc.1957, p.173

WALLER, Rachel (1654-1691) aftw. Townson

[Rachel Waller, a daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Waller of Quawry Flat, was married in 1679 to Thomas Townson.

see<sup>22</sup> <sup>33</sup> TOWNSON, Rachel (1654-1691) born Waller ]

WALLER, Richard

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Little is known respecting Richard Waller save his visit to Ireland and imprisonment at Waterford in 1657 with Richard Roper (i.107.1), recorded by Besse and mentioned in ARB MSS. The Account of 1657 (p.336) states he was a Lancashire man, and his home was probably at Cartmel. Letters to his wife, 1654, and to Margaret Fell, 1656 and 1657, are extant (in Friends House). The Burial Registers contain the entry of 'Richard Waller of Quarrel flat, in Swarthmore MM, 1657/8, buried at Height'.

Note by N. Penney in Fox's Journal, Ca b. ed. 1911 vol.2 p.472

WBE:

WALLER, Richard, -1657/58

b. in Lancashire, Eng.

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Convinced quite early and joined Friends.

1654-55 Imprisoned in Lancashire - dates not certain.

Recognized a minister among Friends. Travelled in  
Ireland with Richard Roper in 1656/57 and was imprisoned in  
Waterford.

d. 1656/57 and was buried at Height.

Braithwaite, Begin. of Qu., 221

Jour. of Geo. Fox, Cambridge ed., 2:472

Ross, Marg. Fell, 396

Besse, 1:303; 2:462

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WALLER, Richard ( 1658)

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Richard Waller was 'servant at a gentleman's house near Stopport (i.e. Stockport) in Cheshire', and married fellow-servant, a member of Congregational church to which Samuel Eaton (DNB) Ministered, after which 'went into the lower parts of Lancashire to live there, near unto those parts where there are many Quakers' (Sam. Eaton, The Quakers Confuted, 1653 'To the Reader'; further for copy of letter from Waller); i.e. probably, Cartmel (cf. C.J., ii.336, 473), the home of Richard Roper, with whom he travelled in Ireland (cf. Rutty, Q.I., 116 reading Richard for William). d. 1658, if Identification in C.J., ii.472 is correct. cf. A.R.B. MSS.; Besse, i.303, ii. 462 f.; (J. Camm & F. Howgill) An Answer to a Book which Samuel Eaton Put up to the Parliament, 1654, 16, reading Richard for Walter).

Note by G.F. Nuttall in Early quaker letters, 1952, p.74

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WALLER, Thomas Hutchinson (1844-1918)

Thomas H. Waller was born on 28 September 1844.

He was a graduate of Arts and Sciences, taking a keen interest in botany and other scientific pursuits. He was first a school-master but in 1874 he took up work as a chemist and worked in the firm of Albright and Wilson for forty years.

He was recorded a minister in 1901 and in his later life attended the meeting at George Road, Birmingham where he was 'Quite the centre of that Meeting'. He was also described as 'the nursing father of the little Meeting at Hartshill, about twenty miles from Birmingham', visiting that meeting about once a month for close on twenty five years.

He was Clerk to the Monthly Meeting and to the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight. He was also an Elder and during the last few years of his life acted as Superintendent of the Adult First Day School Classes at Severn Street.

'With high intellectual attainments he possessed an attractive simplicity of character. He maintained his youthfulness of spirit to the end, and was felt to be a comrade by those of the younger generation with whom he was closely associated.'

Thomas Hutchinson Waller died on 13 March 1918

Testimony of Warwickshire North MM in YM Proc. 1919, p.343

WALLER, William Edward (1846-1916)

William E. Waller, son of William Jesse and Sarah Ann Waller, was born at Bristol on 12 August 1846 (1). He was educated at Croydon School, staying on as a pupil teacher, and finishing his training at the Flounders Institute. He began teaching at Oliver's Mount School, Scarborough, where he remained for four years. After a few months' study at Minden in Germany he became a form-master at Bootham, staying there from 1873 to 1892. In the latter year he was appointed Assistant Secretary of The Retreat, York, becoming Secretary in 1900, a position he held until his death.

In 1877 he had married Elizabeth Oxley Wright, a teacher at The Mount, York (2): there were three children (3).

He was a quiet, unobtrusive worker, unconsciously influencing the boys under his care by his faithful and loyal service. At The Retreat he was always thoughtful for the well-being of his staff, and created an atmosphere of harmony which was felt and appreciated by all. For 29 years he acted as Transcribing Clerk to Yorkshire Quarterly Meeting.

He died on 22 October 1916, aged 70 years.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Annual monitor 1917 p.163

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Birth Notes: the place of birth is given as Upper Rd, Montpelier; no description of his father is given
- 2 The wedding was at Sudbury FMH on 3 January 1877: he is described as bachelor, schoolmaster, of York, son of William Jesse Waller, accountant; she is described as spinster, of Sudbury, daughter of James Wright, accountant (Digest of Marriage Registers)
- 3 Listed in Digests of Birth and Burial Notes as follows:

William James, qv	b 28 Sept 1877	d 4 December 1929
Herbert Ingle, qv	b 21 Sept 1879	d 5 Sept 1956
Ellen Margaret	b 12 May 1882	

WALLIS, Abraham (1789-1861)

Abraham Wallis, the youngest son of John Wallis (1747-1816 qv) and his wife Margaret (born Gray, 1752-1833 qv) of Springfield in Essex, was born there on 30 July 1789(1).

He became a mealman at Springfield(2) and was married in 1814 to Mary Ann Marriage (1791-1836 qv) of Springfield(3); there were eight children(4). At some time after 1832 he became an accountant(5).

Abraham Wallis died at Ipswich on 20 March 1861, in his seventy third year(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Beds & Herts QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given  
His mother was the daughter of Isaac Gray (1718-1784 qv) of Hitchin in Hertfordshire

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

3 The wedding was at Chelmsford on 3 November 1814: he is described as a mealman of Springfield in Essex, the son of John and Margaret Wallis of Stebbing in Essex; she is described as the daughter of John and Mary Marriage of Springfield in Essex (Essex QM Marriages Digest)

4 Listed in Essex QM Births Digest and in the Digests of Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

Arthur qv	b 18 July 1816	m 1846 Hannah Johnson (1816-1901 qv)
Henry qv	b 20 March 1818	m 1848 Elizabeth Reckitt (1821-1876 qv)
Marriage qv	b 11 Jan 1820	m 1848 Hannah Thistlethwaite (1814-1894 qv)
Abraham qv	b 28 March 1822	m 1847 Ellen Ransome (1825- qv)
Edward qv	b 24 Jan 1824	m 1877 Annie Johnson (fl 1877-1885 qv)
Francis qv	b 11 May 1826	m (1)1849 Sarah Ann Jeffrey (1827?-1863 qv) (2)1865 Maria Thistlethwaite (1817-1900 qv)

\*Algernon b 19 Oct 1829

\*William Gray b 11 Jan 1832

\*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1903

5 He is described as a mealman or miller in the birth entries of all his children, but as an accountant in their marriage entries

6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as late an accountant of Ipswich

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WALLIS, Abraham (1789-1861)

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SEE ALSO:-

Incidental reference in J Friends Hist Soc vol 16, p 17

Annual Monitor 1862, p 153: 1 line entry for death

Genealogical chart of the descendants of Isaac Gray of Hitchin,  
(Friends House Library, chart Box 1)

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WALLIS, Abraham (1789-1862)

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(1821-1876qv)

REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

- 4 Listed in Essex QM Births Digest and the Digests of Marriages and Deaths as follows:-  
(1816-1901qv)
- |             |                 |   |
|-------------|-----------------|---|
| Arthur      | b 18 July 1816  | who m 1846 Hannah Johnson   |
| Henry qv    | b 20 March 1818 | who m 1848 Elisabeth Rockitt  |
| Marriage qv | b 11 Jan 1820   | who m 1848 Hannah Thistle-thwaite                                     |
| Abraham     | b 28 March 1822 | who m 1847 Ellen Ransome  |
| Edward      | b 24 Jan 1824   | who d 6 March 1850  |
| Francis     | b 11 May 1826   | who m (1) 1849 Sarah Ann Jeffrey<br>(2) 1865 Maria Thistle-thwaite MM |
- \*Algernon b 19 Oct 1829  
\*William Gray b 11 Jan 1832
- \*No marriages traced to 1903
- 5 He is so described in his burial entry, note 7
- 6 J Friends Hist Soc vol 30 (1933) p 51
- 7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as of Ipswich, late an accountant

SEE ALSO:-

Incidental reference in J Friends Hist Soc vol 16, p 17  
Annual Monitor 1862, p 153: 1 line entry for death  
Genealogical chart of the descendants of Isaac Gray of Hitchin,  
(Friends House Library, chart Box 1)

WALLIS, Abraham (1822- )

Abraham Wallis, the son of Abraham Wallis (1789-1861 qv) and his wife Mary Ann (born Marriage, 1791-1836 qv) of Peases, Springfield in Essex, was born there on 28 March 1822(1).

He became a corn chandler at Ipswich(2) and was married in 1847 to Ellen Ransome (1825- qv) of Ipswich(3); there were seven children(4).

It is possible that in his youth he was one of the team of writers who prepared copies of the quarterly meeting registers surrendered to the Public Record Office under the non-Parochial Registers Act of June 1837. It is on record that these devoted writers found their task a strain both naturally and financially, as is shown by the following copy of a letter sent to the Meeting for Sufferings in May 1840:-

"Understanding that in consequence of the Yearly Meeting, our operations must of necessity be suspended and presuming that our services may be required to complete the work after that period, we, the undersigned Transcribers and others respectfully submit the following to your consideration, viz.

That many of us have families entirely dependent upon our exertions for support, and as most probably we shall be unemployed during that period, our means of providing for them will necessarily be very limited; that the healths of several of us have been injured by the close application which it has been necessary to bestow upon the work; and although two or three weeks relaxation would be highly beneficial, we could ill afford to lose the time."(5)

Abraham Wallis' signature was the last of a list of fourteen transcribers. The transcriber may have been his father Abraham Wallis, but as the latter was at that time an established accountant it is more likely that his son was the man involved.

The date of Abraham Wallis' death is not at present (1980) traced(6) and it is possible that he and his wife left the Society(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Essex QM Births Digest: his father is described as a miller  
His paternal grandmother was the daughter of Isaac Gray (1718-1784 qv)  
of Hitchin in Hertfordshire
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Ipswich on 13 May 1847: he is described as a bachelor, a corn chandler of Ipswich, the son of Abraham Wallis, an accountant; she is described as a spinster of Ipswich, the daughter of Richard Ransome, a commercial traveller (Digest of Marriages)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

- 4 Listed in the Digests of Births, Marriages and Deaths as follows:-  
Ransome b 19 Aug 1849 m 1876 Amelia Wilson  
Agnes Sybil b 8 July 1852 d 3 Jan 1858, aged 5  
\*Algernon b 29 Oct 1856  
\*Ellen Jane b 20 May 1858  
\*Abraham Gray b 28 July 1860  
\*Annette b 22 May 1863  
\*Lilian b 10 June 1869  
\*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1929  
5 J Friends Hist Soc vol 30 (1933) p 51  
6 His death is not traced in the Digest of Deaths  
7 Essex & Suffolk QM printed list of members does not show him as a member of Ipswich Meeting in 1887

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

None of the family are listed under Ipswich in the 1887 Essex & Suffolk QM printed list of members, the first printed list available in Friends House Library

WALLIS, Amelia Eliza [Amy] (1886 - 1978) b. Mounsey

Amy Mounsey was born in 1886, the youngest child of Edward Backhouse ( 1840 - 1911 qv ) and Rachel Ann ( b. Fryer 1845 - 1927 qv) Mounsey, of Darlington.(1) She was educated at The Mount School from 1901 - 1904, and then remained at home until she was 23 when in 1910 she married Anthony Wallis ( 1879 - 1919<sup>qv</sup> ) an H.M.Inspector of schools living in Darlington.(2). They had four children. In 1913 he was moved to Westmorland and they settled at Penrith. Less than five months after the birth of their fourth child Anthony Wallis died in the influenza epidemic of 1919, leaving her to bring up the children. In 1921 she returned to Darlington and bought 'Morland' which was to be her home for the rest of her life.

For the whole of her long life she was an indefatigable worker for Quakerism both locally and nationally. From 1919 - 1921 she was clerk of Strickland MM, she became the first women clerk of Durham QM (1927 - 1932) and was appointed an elder in 1927. When twenty years ago Darlington MM elders found themselves without a clerk, she was prepared although past seventy to undertake the task and continued to serve with judgement and effectiveness until her death. In the service of Quakerism nationally she served on Meeting for Sufferings for fifty years, was clerk to the Yearly Meeting of Elders from 1934 - 1940, was second assistant clerk to Yearly Meeting from 1927 - 1931, served on the Yearly Meeting Agenda committee from 1924 - 1943, on the Friends Service Council and its predecessors for over fifty years and on many other central committees.(3)

Any Wallis also served as one of the two recording clerks at the second Friends World Conference in Pennsylvania in 1937, was one of London YM's representatives on the Friends World Committee for Consultation and clerk of the World Committee Affairs Committee of Meeting for Sufferings. She was wholehearted in her love for the Society but not blind to its faults, she could be highly critical on occasion but she was a great spiritual support in all meetings for church affairs. She was a tireless researcher into the history of Quakerism and Quaker families and contributed greatly to the knowledge of the development of Quakerism within the County of Durham. She also served as a trustee of the Thomas Camfield Trust.(4)

She died quietly but suddenly while at the home of her Eldest son, at Ongar, Essex, on May 25, 1978, aged 91.

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WALLIS, Amelia Eliza [Amy] (1886 - 1978) b. Mounsey continued.

REFERENCES & NOTES

1. Birth Digest. She was born on October 13, 1886, her father is described as a banker.
2. Marriage Digest. The marriage took place at Darlington FMH on March 8, 1910.
3. Typescript Committee Index - Friends Ho. Library. This lists her committee service as follows:-

Meeting for Sufferings	1924 - 1967 and then as elder
Agenda Committee	1924 - 1943
Anglo-American Committee	1944 - 1946
Anglo-American Visitors Committee	1950 - 1956/7
Christian Discipline I and II Revision Committee	1955 - 1959
Christian Relationships Committee	1942 & 1946/7
Committee on Clerks	1924 - 1926, 1933-35, 1943/4 1951/2, 1966 - 69.
Council for International Service	1926 - 1927
Friends Foreign Missions Association	1924 - 1927
Friends Service Council	1927 - 1967 co-opted 1967 - 1976.
Friends Education Council	1926 - 1932, 1938 - 1957
Library Committee	1935 - until her death
Literature Committee	1927/8 - 1929/31
World Committee Affairs Committee	

4. Statement in The Friend Vol. 136 (1978) p. 940.

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WALLIS, Amelia Eliza 1886-1978

b. 13 October 1886, Darlington, England. Dau. Edward Backhouse and Rachel Ann Mounsey. Youngest of five children. Birthright Friend.

ed. 1901-1904, Mount School, York.

m. 1910, Anthony Wallis (d. 1919). 3 sons, 1 daughter.

1913, Moved with husband to Beacon Bank, Penrith.

1919-21, Clerk, Strickland Monthly Meeting, England.

1921, Returned to Darlington to live at Morland.

1924-43, Served London Yearly Meeting Agenda Committee.

1927, Appointed Elder, Darlington Monthly Meeting.

1927-31, Second Asst. Clerk of Yearly Meeting.

1927-32, First woman clerk, Durham Quarterly Meeting.

1934-40, Clerk, Yearly Meeting Elders.

1935-1978, Member, Library Committee of Meeting for Sufferings.

1937, Recording Clerk, Second Friends' World Conference, Philadelphia.

1952, attended Third Friends' World Conference.

c. 1958-78, Clerk, Darlington Monthly Meeting Elders.

Fifty years of service to Meeting for Sufferings and Friends' Service Council. London Yearly Meeting representative on Friends' World Committee for Consultation. Clerk, World Committee

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WALLIS, Amelia Eliza 1886-1978, Page 2.

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Affairs Committee of Meeting for Sufferings. Long service on Central Education Committee (later Friends' Education Committee), Ayton and Polam Hall School Committees, and committee of Darlington Training College.

d. 25 May 1978, Essex. Age 91.

List of Members and Attenders in Durham Quarterly Meeting.

London and Newcastle-upon-Tyne: Andrew Reid, 1934. p. 16,65.

London Friend. 136(1978)716, 865.

London Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends: Proceedings 1979. London: Friends House, 1979. pp. 158-160.

**WALLIS, Annie (1852-1931) born Johnson**

Annie Johnson, daughter of Francis Johnson (1821- qv) and his first wife, Eleanor (born Thistlethwaite, 1820-1867 qv), of Dublin, was born there on 10 April 1852 (1).

The family moved, at some time before 1856, to Hulme, Manchester, and, by 1861, to London (2).

Edward

In 1877 Annie Johnson married ~~Benjamin~~ Wallis (1852-1922 qv), a Scarborough grocer: there were 5 children (3). She ceased to be a member of the Society of Friends about 1916 (4).

Annie Wallis died at Beckstones, Newby, near Scarborough, on 7 March 1931, aged 79 years (5).

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 The Friend vol 10 (1852) p 99. See also Bernard Thistlethwaite, The Thistlethwaite family, 1910, p 284
- 2 For details, see JOHNSON, Francis (1821- )
- 3 For details of the marriage and children, see WALLIS, Edward (1852-1922)
- 4 She is shown as a member in the 1916 Yorkshire M printed list of members under Scarborough; in the lists for 1917 and 1918 she is shown as an attender; in that for 1922 as a non-attending non-member. After her husband's death in 1922 there is no entry for her in the 1924 printed list
- 5 The Friend ns vol 71 (1931) p 240, where she is described as widow of Edward

There is no entry concerning her in J Friends hist soc vol 1 - 45

*Anthony*  
WALLIS, ~~Anthony~~ (1879-1919)

*Anthony*  
~~Anthony~~ Wallis, the son of Henry Marriage (1854-1941, qv) and Sarah Elizabeth Wallis of Reading was born on 14 July 1879 (1). After a university training he eventually became one of H.M.Inspectors of Schools, living at Beacon Bank, Penrith. A man of considerable intellectual capacity and ripe scholarship, he brought to his profession a breadth of outlook, sane judgment, absolute integrity of purpose and a conscientious appreciation of the importance of detail. He was considered to be one of the best Instructors of the (then) Board of Education. He was helpful and sympathetic to those teachers who were genuinely interested in their job, but had little patience with those who were not prepared to pull their weight.

He married in 1910 Amelia Eliza (Amy) Mounsey (2). He and his wife created a delightful home which it was a privilege to visit. There were 4 children (3).

He died on 28 August 1919 at the untimely age of 40, the victim of an attack of influenza.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Annual Monitor 1919/20 p.276, *where his name is wrongly spelt Antony*

REFERENCES AND NOTES :

1 Digest of Birth Notes

2 The wedding was a Darlington on 8 March 1910. He is described as bachelor, H.M.Inspector of Schools, of Darlington, son of Henry Marriage Wallis, cornmerchant. She is described as spinster, of Darlington, daughter of Edward Backhouse Mounsey, banker. (Digest of Marriage Registers).

3 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows :

Edward Crosfield	born 20 February 1911
Henry	born 1 May 1912
Rachel Elizabeth	born 2 November 1914
Anthony Arthur John	born 4 April 1919

SEE ALSO:

Obituary: Friend vol. 1919 p.597  
Yorkshire Post 30.viii.1919 vol.TT/73  
Memorial at Leighton Park, 'Leightonian' July 1923 pp.115,116 (illus.)

WALLIS, Arthur (1816-1856)

Arthur Wallis, the eldest son of Abraham Wallis (1789-1861 qv) and his wife Mary Ann (born Marriage, 1791-1836 qv) of Springfield in Essex, was born there on 18 July 1816(1).

He became a printer and bookseller at Brighton in Sussex(2) and was married in 1846 to Hannah Johnson (1816-1901 qv) of Rochdale(3); there were five children(4).

Arthur Wallis of Brighton died on 27 April 1856, at the age of thirty nine(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Essex QM Births Digest: his father is described as a miller  
His grandmother was the daughter of Isaac Gray (1718-1784 qv)  
of Hitchin in Hertfordshire
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Rochdale on 10 September 1846: he is described as a bachelor, a printer and bookseller of 5, Bartholomew's, Brighton, Sussex, the son of Abraham Wallis, an accountant; she is described as a spinster of South Parade, Rochdale, the daughter of Joseph Johnson, an accountant (Digest of Marriages)
- 4 Listed in the Digests of Births and Deaths as follows:-

*Mary Anne	b 26 Oct 1847
Louisa	b 2 May 1849
Gertrude	b 9 Oct 1850
*Margaret Hannah	b 19 Oct 1852
*Arthur Gray	b 18 Aug 1855
- 5 \*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1903
- 5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a bookseller

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1857, p 122: 1 line entry for death

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

WALLIS, Arthur (1830-1900)

Arthur Wallis, the son of Richard Wallis (1787-1853 qv) and his wife Mary (born Ashby, 1791-1868 qv) of Basingstoke in Hampshire, was born there on 29 April 1830(1).

He became an ironfounder and engineer at Basingstoke(2) and was married in 1856 to Charlotte Sterry (1829-1912 qv) of Croydon in Surrey(3); there were ten children(4). The family settled at Coombehurst, Basingstoke(5).

Arthur Wallis served as clerk to Alton, Southampton & Poole Monthly Meeting from 1881 to 1885(6).

Arthur Wallis of Coombehurst, Basingstoke, died on 2 February 1900, at the age of sixty nine(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Dorset & Hants QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given
- 2 He is so described in his marriage and burial entries, notes 3 and 7
- 3 The wedding was at Croydon on 3 September 1856: he is described as a bachelor, an ironfounder of Basingstoke, the son of Richard Wallis (deceased); she is described as a spinster of Croydon, the daughter of Richard Sterry, a gentleman (Digest of Marriages)
- 4 Listed in the Digests of Births, Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

Arthur Herbert	b 14 July 1857	d 17 July 1894, aged 36
*John Ernest	b 29 Dec 1858	
William Alfred qv	b 27 July 1860	m Bertha
*Francis Ashby	b 14 March 1862	
*Charlotte Sterry	b 20 Jan 1864	
*Richenda Mary	b 24 Sept 1865	
Emmeline qv	b 16 July 1868	m 1896 Sidney Rickman Penney (1867-1938 qv)
*Lilian	b 23 March 1870	
*Charles	b 23 Dec 1871	
*Frederic	b 10 Nov 1873	
- \*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1930
- 5 All his children were born at Coombehurst and Arthur Wallis died there
- 6 Index of Clerks, Friends House Library
- 7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as an engineer

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

WALLIS, Charlotte (1829-1912) born Sterry

Charlotte Sterry, the daughter of Richard Sterry (1784-1865 qv) and his second wife Ann (born Pollard, 1787-1864 qv) of Southwark in Surrey, was born at Peckham on 7 May 1829(1).

She was married in 1856 to Arthur Wallis (1830-1900 qv), an ironfounder and engineer of Basingstoke in Hampshire and there were ten children(2). With her sister Sarah Wallis (1825-1897 qv), who had married her husband's brother Richard Wallis (1823-1881 qv), she took an active part in the educational and philanthropic projects of Basingstoke, bringing sound common sense to bear upon her efforts to help the poor and needy(3).

Charlotte Wallis of Coombehurst, Basingstoke, died on 12 January 1912, at the age of eighty two(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: her father is described as an oilman
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Arthur (1830-1900)
- 3 The Friend vol 70 (1912) pp 62-63
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Arthur

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

WALLIS, Edith (1853-1885) born Jeffrey

Edith Jeffrey, the daughter of Russell Jeffrey (1806-1867 qv) and his wife Elizabeth Stevens (born Ashby, 1811-1899 qv) of Cheltenham in Gloucestershire, was born there on 14 September 1853(1).

She was married in 1883 to Richard Sterry Wallis (1855-1924 qv), an architect of Basingstoke in Hampshire and there was one child, who died at the age of three days(2).

Edith Wallis of Basingstoke died on 12 November 1885, at the age of thirty two(3), two days after the death of her baby daughter.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: her father's occupation is not given, but in her marriage entry he is described as a chemist
- 2 For marriage and issue see WALLIS, Richard Sterry (1855-1924)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Richard Sterry

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1887, p 193: 2 line entry for death

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

WALLIS, Edward (1852-1922)

Edward Wallis, the son of Francis Wallis (1826-1905 qv) and his first wife Sarah Ann (born Jeffrey, 1827?-1863 qv) of Scarborough in Yorkshire, was born there on 13 May 1852(1).

He became a grocer at Scarborough(2) and was married in 1877 to Annie Johnson (1852- qv) of London(3); there were five children(4).

Edward Wallis of Scarborough died on 25 June 1922, at the age of seventy(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father's occupation is not given  
On his father's side he was descended from Isaac Gray (1718-1784 qv) of Hitchin in Hertfordshire
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Holloway on 10 January 1877: he is described as a bachelor, a grocer of 16 Pavilion Square, Scarborough, the son of Francis Wallis, a merchant; she is described as a spinster of Canonbury, London, the daughter of Francis Johnson, a tea dealer (Digest of Marriages)
- 4 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages as follows:-

*Eleanor Gray	b 14 March 1878	
Edward Arnold	b 22 April 1880	m 1918 Gladys Gregson
*Arthur	b 25 July 1881	
Dorothea	b 13 April 1883	m 1907 Herbert George Weed (1879-1963 qv)

\*Annie Mabel b 21 May 1885

\*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1935
- 5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a grocer

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

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WALLIS, Eliza (1824-1858) born Pickard

Eliza Pickard, the daughter of William Pickard (1775?-1839 qv) and his wife Mary (born Awmack, 1787-1829 qv) of Dirtcar in Yorkshire, was born there on 5 December 1824(1).

She was married in 1846 to Isaac Gray Wallis (1822-1897 qv), a hosier of Wakefield in Yorkshire and there were three children(2). Shortly before her death the family moved out of the town to Newton Lodge, Outwood, on the outskirts of Wakefield(3).

Eliza Wallis of Wakefield died on 13 July 1858, at the age of thirty three(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a farmer
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Isaac Gray (1822-1897)
- 3 See entry for WALLIS, Isaac Gray (1822-1897)
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Isaac Gray

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1859, p 189: 2 line entry for death

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

**WALLIS, Elizabeth (1821-1876) born Reckitt**

Elizabeth Reckitt, the elder and only surviving daughter of Isaac Reckitt (1792-1862 qv) and his wife Ann (born Coleby, 1796-1875 qv) of Boston, Nottingham and Hull, was born at Boston in Lincolnshire on 1 November 1821(1).

She was accustomed to responsibility early in life and when her mother took her father to Bath to seek a cure for his rheumatism, she was left in charge of the household. She was a second mother to her youngest brother James (later Sir James Reckitt, 1833-1924 qv) and was his nurse, governess and devoted friend. She was a most religious woman and during her girlhood and her brother's childhood believed absolutely in verbal inspiration. Her strict orthodoxy was tempered by a boundless love and an equally boundless hopefulness for the ultimate future of mankind.

She lived for some time with her Ransome cousins at Ipswich, acting as a kind of companion and governess, until in 1848 she was married to Henry Wallis (1818-1899 qv); there were four children(2). She remained in close touch with her own family and some of her father's happiest hours away from home were spent in the household of his beloved daughter and her family.

In 1855 her health gave cause for concern and for some years she was far from well, so about the end of October 1862 she accompanied her mother and her brother James to Mentone, for a winter on the Riviera. Elizabeth and her mother were always devoted to one another and were more like sisters than mother and daughter. Elizabeth's health never really became re-established, she felt her mother's death in 1875 very keenly, and died at Reading in the following year, on 4 January 1876, at the age of fifty four(3).

**PRINCIPAL SOURCE**

Desmond Chapman-Huston, Sir James Reckitt, London 1927, pp 60-191

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 Lincolnshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a merchant
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Henry (1818-1899)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Henry

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

WALLIS, Elizabeth Ann (1850-1925) aftw. Smith

[Elizabeth Ann Wallis, daughter of Henry Wallis  
married William Henry Smith of Reading in 1880.]

[see SMITH, Elizabeth Ann (1850-1925) born Wallis]

WALLIS, Elizabeth A

( 1908 ? - 1973.)

Elizabeth Wallis was born in about the year 1908.

She was a member of Kingston Meeting from 1938 until 1965 when she transferred her attendance to Wimbledon Meeting which she continued to serve until her death. For four years from 1968 to 1972 she served as Clerk to Wimbledon PM.(2)

Elizabeth Wallis was a member of the editorial staff of The Friend from 1952 to 1958.

Her service outside the Society included a spell of one year 1959/60 as Mayoreess of Camberwell while her brother Thomas was Mayor.

She died on March 24, 1973, aged 65.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE    The Friend Vol 131 (1973) p 467

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. She died aged 65.
2. London and Middlesex QM ( later GM ) printed list of members.

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WALLIS, Ellen (1825- ) born Ransome

Ellen Ransome, the daughter of Richard Ransome ( - ) and his wife Eliza Wilden (born ) of Norwich, was born there on 13 November 1825(1).

She lived at Ipswich and was married in 1847 to Abraham Wallis (1822- qv), a corn chandler of Ipswich and there were seven children(2). Her husband later became an accountant(3).

The date of her death is not at present (1980) traced(4) and it is possible that she and her husband left the Society(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Norfolk & Norwich QM Births Digest: her father is described as an engraver
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Abraham (1822- )
- 3 See entry for WALLIS, Abraham (1822- )
- 4 Her death is not traced in the Digest of Deaths
- 5 Essex & Suffolk QM printed list of members does not show her as a member of Ipswich Meeting in 1887

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

None of the family are listed under Ipswich in the 1887 Essex & Suffolk QM printed list of members, the first printed list available in Friends House Library

WALLIS, Ellen (1849-1937) born Hartas

see WALLIS, Sarah Ellen (1849-1937) born Hartas

WALLIS, Emmeline (1868-1953) after 1896 Penney

[Emmeline Wallis, daughter of Arthur Wallis (1830-1900 qv) and his wife Charlotte (born Sterry, 1829-1912 qv) of Basingstoke in Hampshire, was married in 1896 to Sidney Rickman Penney (1867-1938 qv).]

See PENNEY, Emmeline (1868-1953) born Wallis ]

WALLIS, Frances Eleanor (1871?-1954) after 1902 Wells

[Frances Eleanor Wallis of Kettering in Northamptonshire,  
the daughter of Samuel Wallis, was married in 1902 to  
Ernest Wells (1871-1953 qv) of Alcester.

See WELLS, Frances Eleanor (1871?-1954) born Wallis ]

WALLIS, Francis (1826-1905)

Francis Wallis, the son of Abraham Wallis (1789-1861 qv) and his wife Mary Ann (born Marriage, 1791-1836 qv) of Peases, Springfield near Chelmsford in Essex, was born there on 11 May 1826(1).

He became a corn dealer at Scarborough in Yorkshire(2) and was twice married. His first wife was Sarah Ann Jeffrey (1827?-1863 qv) of London, whom he married in 1849(3); there were seven children(4). He married secondly in 1865 Maria Thistletonwaite (1817-1900 qv) of Scarborough(5), but the marriage was childless(6).

Francis Wallis of Southwold, Scarborough, died on 25 December 1905, at the age of seventy nine(7).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Essex QM Births Digest: his father is described as a miller. His paternal grandmother was the daughter of Isaac Gray (1718-1784 qv) of Hitchin in Hertfordshire
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entries, notes 3 and 5
- 3 The wedding was at White Hart Court on 24 October 1849: he is described as a bachelor, a corn dealer of Bland's Cliff, Scarborough, the son of Abraham Wallis, an accountant; she is described as a spinster of 65 Bishopsgate Street Within, the daughter of John Jeffrey (deceased) (Digest of Marriages)
- 4 Listed in the Digests of Births, Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

Laura Maria qv	b 14 Oct 1850	m 1883 Robert Wilson (1850-1933 qv)
Edward qv	b 13 May 1852	m 1877 Annie Johnson (1852- qv) <del>(f1-1877-1885 qv)</del>
Richenda	b 4 Oct 1853	m 1896 Robert Alfred Penney (1863-1935 qv)
Priscilla Gray	b 6 July 1855	m 1885 George Rowntree
*Elizabeth	b 13 Aug 1857	
*Francis John	b 4 Sept 1859	
William Jeffrey	b 27 Jan 1861	d 19 Jan 1862
- \*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1910
- 5 The wedding was at Gainsborough on 8 March 1865: he is described as a widower, a corn dealer of 22 Newborough Street, Scarborough, the son of Abraham Wallis, an accountant; she is described as not in membership, a spinster of 22 Newborough Street, Scarborough, the daughter of John Thistletonwaite, a gentleman (Digest of Marriages)

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WALLIS, Francis (1826-1905)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

- 6 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a miller's agent

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

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WALLIS, Frederic (1833-1885)

Frederic Wallis, son of Robert (1782-1860 qv) and Maria (born Burley, ) Wallis of Rowell Lodge, Northamptonshire, was born there on 14 August 1833 (1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1844 to 1847 (2).

He became a clothier at Kettering, Northants (3).

He married in 1862 Maria Ann Stretch (1840-1919 qv) of Warrington, Lancs (4); there were 9 children, all of whom were educated at Ackworth (5).

Frederic Wallis of Kettering died 31 December 1885, aged 52 years (6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Northamptonshire QM Births Digest: his father is described as farmer
- 2 List of Ackworth scholars 1779-1879, 1879, p 148 [admission no 6659, being then of Rowell Lodge, Kettering]
- 3 So described in the entry concerning his marriage
- 4 The marriage was at Warrington on 24 April 1862: he is described as bachelor, clothier, of Kettering, Northants, son of Robert Wallis, yeoman; she is described as spinster, of Warrington, Lancs, daughter of Joseph Stretch, draper (Digest of Marriages)
- 5 Listed in Digest of Births, Digest of Deaths and elsewhere as follows:-

Albert	b 12 Jan 1863	d 31 Dec 1944
Margaret qv	b 7 Aug 1864	m 1890 Edgar Pickard (1862-1897 qv)
Percy	b 6 Nov 1865	m 1891 Gertrude Harlock
Frank Gray	b 1867	m (1) Louis Wallis; (2) Frances McKay
Eustace Frederic	b 6 Jan 1869	m Mina Philip (Wakeman)
Hugh	b 26 April 1871	
Rachel Ellen	b 15 Nov 1874	m 1905 Arthur Redfern
Harold Cuthbertson	b 24 Feb 1876	
Thomas	b 22 Jan 1879	d 13 Dec 1954
- FGW's birth is not traced in Digest of Births or in The Friend ns vol 25 (1885) or ns vol 26 (1886) Jan-March: year given in his obituary in Ackworth old scholars assoc rep 72 (1953) p 63. Death of Albert, marriages of FGW, EFW and death of Thomas from Ackworth old scholars assoc rep 64 (1945) p 52; 72 (1953) p 63; 66 (1947) p 71; 75 (1956) p 72, the information not being traced in Digest of Deaths or of Marriages, or (in the case of Thomas, The Friend). No marriage for AW, HW, HCW or TW is traced in Digest of Marriages or, in the cases of AW and TW, mentioned in their AOSA obituaries
- 6 The Friend ns vol 26 (1886) p 50; Annual monitor 1887 p 193. The death is not recorded in Digest of Deaths

There is no reference to him in J Friends hist soc vol 1 - 45

WALLIS, George ( -1787)

tt/ George Wallis of Long Sutton, Lincolnshire, married Elizabeth ....  
probably between 1725-1730. They had a son, John (1)

SOURCE OF INFORMATION :

John Barrett of New Southgate, on whose behalf a search was undertaken  
in 1969

ACTION TAKEN BY LIBRARY :

No reference to the marriage was traced in the digests of marriage  
registers for the following QMs, in the years 1720-1730 :-

Lincolnshire  
Derby & Notts  
Warwick Leicester & Rutland  
Cambs & Herts Hunts  
Norfolk & Norwich  
Suffolk  
Essex  
Beds & Herts  
Yorkshire  
Northamptonshire

The death of Elizabeth, which occurred between 1751 and 1763, is not  
recorded in the Lincolnshire QM Burials Digest.

REFERENCES AND NOTES :

- 1 Entered in the Lincolnshire QM register digests as  
born 16 vii[Sept] 1730, died 17 vii[Sept] 1738

WALLIS, Hally (1859-1936)

see WALLIS, Harriet Ellen (1859-1936)

WALLIS, Hannah (1684-1763) formerly Stirredge, born Lane

Hannah Lane, the daughter of John Lane ( - ) and his wife Ann (born ) of Hackleton in Northamptonshire, was born there on 2.iii.[May] 1684(1).

She was married firstly in 1711 to James Stirredge (1667/8-1712/3 qv), a grocer of Hemel Hempstead in Hertfordshire and there was one child, who died in infancy(2). She married secondly in 1715 Zachariah Wallis (1683?-1726 qv), a writing master of High Wycombe in Buckinghamshire and there were three children(3).

Hannah Wallis of Hempstead died on 26 February 1763(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Northants QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and issue see STIRREdge, James (1667/8-1712/3)
- 3 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Zachariah (1683?-1726)
- 4 Beds & Herts QM Burials Digest: she is described as the widow of Zachary

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

WALLIS, Hannah (1814-1894) born Thistletonwaite

Hannah Thistletonwaite, the daughter of William Thistletonwaite ( - ) and his wife Hannah (born ) of Methley in Yorkshire, was born there on 18 July 1814(1).

She was married in 1848 to Marriage Wallis (1820-1897 qv), a grocer of Brighton in Sussex and there were three children(2). At the time of her marriage she was living at Bishopwearmouth and she was married in Sunderland(3).

Hannah Wallis of Springfield, Patcham in Sussex, died on 29 January 1894, at the age of seventy nine(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Marriage (1820-1897)
- 3 See entry for WALLIS, Marriage (1820-1897)
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Marriage

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

WALLIS, Hannah (1816-1901) born Johnson

Hannah Johnson, the daughter of Joseph Johnson ( - ) and his wife Hannah (born ) of Pontefract in Yorkshire, was born there on 28 March 1816(1). Her forbears, the Johnsons, Thistletonwaites and Clarksons were Yorkshire dalesmen and statesmen, strongly attached to the Society.

The family moved to Liverpool in 1822, where her mother and sisters opened a school; among the pupils were two daughters of John Bright (1811-1889 qv), who became her lifelong friends. Her many memories of life in Liverpool included that of being among the eager crowd awaiting the arrival of the first passenger train ever run, between Manchester and Liverpool in 1830. She was also fond of recalling how on a visit to London she had met Elizabeth Fry (1780-1845 qv) and heard Joseph John Gurney (1788-1847 qv) preach in Gracechurch Street Meeting House.

She was married in 1846 to Arthur Wallis (1816-1856 qv), a printer and bookseller of Brighton in Sussex and there were five children(2). After her husband's early death her means were very straitened and in 1860 she moved to Southport and set up a school there, called Brightelmstone. An advertisement in the August issue of The Friend, vol 16 (1876) dated 26 July 1876 stated that "she has removed to a larger and more commodious house, which has been built especially for her, and is adapted to the requirements of a High-Class School." The school was known as Birkdale Park.

She was one of the pioneers in the cause of higher education for women and did splendid work for the Southport Ladies Lecture Committee, the forerunner of the University Extension movement; in this work she was in touch with many distinguished women in the field of higher education. She was for many years the active Principal and guiding spirit of her school. Her beautiful and dignified presence, able management and tender, motherly ways awoke in her pupils both love and respect and her kindly patience and sweet, helpful sympathy brightened their schooldays.

Although unable, from the cares of the school and a busy home life, to take much part in the affairs of the Society, she was an elder of her meeting and carried out her duties faithfully, as long as her failing health allowed. She was wise in counsel and strong in hope and encouraged many to meet more cheerfully the events of the day.

Hannah Wallis of York Road, Birkdale, Southport died on 16 May 1901, at the age of eighty five.(3)

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend vol 41 (1901) pp 409-410

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WALLIS, Hannah (1816-1901) born Johnson

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a grocer and maltster
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Arthur (1816-1856)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Arthur

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

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WBE:

WALLIS, Hannah, 1816-1901, nee Johnson.

b. 1816 in Yorkshire, Eng.,  
daughter of and Johnson.

1822 family removed to live in Liverpool and later in  
Rochdale.

m., c. 1846, Arthur Wallis (d.1856) They had 4 children.

1860 removed to Southport and established a school for  
girls. Was deeply interested in possibility of higher educa-  
tion for women.

Served as an Elder in her meeting.

d. Ascension Day (c. May 15, ), 1901, Southport, Eng.,  
aged 85 years.

The Friend (London), 41(1901): 409 (portrait)

WALLIS, Hannah (1822-1910) born Pickard

Hannah Pickard, the daughter of William Pickard (1775?-1839 qv) and his wife Mary (born Awmack, 1787-1829 qv) of Dirtcar in the parish of Sandal Magna in Yorkshire, was born there on 5 August 1822(1).

After the death of her sister Eliza (1824-1858 qv) she became the second wife of Isaac Gray Wallis (1822-1897 qv), a hosier of Wakefield in Yorkshire with three young children(2).

Hannah Wallis of Newton Lodge, Wakefield died on 13 January 1910, at the age of eighty seven(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Yorkshire QM Births Digest: her father is described as a farmer
- 2 The marriage was not in order and is not traced in the Digest of Marriages
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Isaac Gray

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

WALLIS, Hannah Sophia (1856-1918) born Pickard

Hannah Sophia Pickard, the youngest daughter of George Pickard (1820-1905 qv) and his wife Mary Ann (born Hartas, 1823-1865 ) of Mansfield in Nottinghamshire, was born there on 25 December 1856(1). She was educated at Ackworth School from 1866 to 1870(2).

She was married in 1881 to Isaac Henry Wallis (1855-1933 qv), a hosier of Mansfield and there was one child(3).

She was a great help to her husband in his public life. This was especially the case in his mayoral year 1907-8, when as mayoress her qualities as a hostess shone to the full. She also shared her husband's interest in the welfare of Ackworth School, of which he was for many years a member of the committee.

"She represented the best type of gracious, efficient, home-loving Quaker womanhood, loved and respected alike by her own large circle of friends, her neighbours and her townspeople."

Hannah Sophia Wallis of Crow Hill, Mansfield, died on 17 November 1918, at the age of sixty two(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 38 (1919) p 89

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a grocer
- 2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 188, entry 8442: from Mansfield
- 3 For marriage and issue see WALLIS, Isaac Henry (1855-1933)
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Isaac Henry; her name is given as Hannah Sofia

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

WALLIS, Harriet Ashby (1826-1894) after 1848 Hooper

[Harriet Ashby Wallis, daughter of Richard Wallis (1787-1853 qv) and his wife Mary (born Ashby, 1791-1868 qv) of Basingstoke in Hampshire, was married in 1848 to Charles Hooper (1820-1896 qv).

See HOOPER, Harriet Ashby (1826-1894) born Wallis ]

WALLIS, Harriet Ellen (1859-1936)

Hally Wallis, the daughter of Richard Wallis (1823-1881 qv) and his wife Sarah (born Sterry, 1825-1897 qv) of Eastlands, Basingstoke in Hampshire, was born there on 15 May 1859(1). Her schooldays were spent near Reigate in Surrey and after leaving school she trained as a nurse at Addenbrooke Hospital, Cambridge; she later took a course in maternity training.

After her mother's death in 1897 she was free to go out to Asia Minor, where the suffering of the persecuted Armenians under Turkish rule had long claimed her love and interest. She settled in the poorest part of the city of Adana (ancient Tarsus), where she devoted her efforts especially to the blind, of whom there were many hundreds. Looms were erected where cloth, such as was used for tents, could be woven and thus give employment to many unfortunate people. At the time of the great massacre of the Armenians early in the twentieth century Hally Wallis, being a British subject, was able at great danger to herself to protect a few of the Armenians.

When the first world war broke out it was impossible for her to stay in Adana and she was seen home by the American Consul in 1915. She spent the following years at Basingstoke, until in 1929 she moved to Wimbledon to be nearer her work and more closely in touch with the Armenian Committee. Her life was one long service to those in trouble. The Russian Christian refugees claimed her interest and later the Abyssinian nation and the Red Cross units sent to its relief. It was written of her by one who knew her well that "She was like a clear, clean mirror to reflect 'The Sun of Righteousness with healing in His Wings.'"

She had felt it right to resign her membership of the Society of Friends, but Surrey, Sussex & Hants Quarterly Meeting kept in touch with her and her work.

Hally Wallis died on 2 November 1936(2).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend vol 94 (1936) p 1181 (portrait)

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a merchant
- 2 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

WBE:

WALLIS, Harriet Ellen, c.1858-1936

b. c.1858 at Eastlands, Basingstoke, Eng.,  
daughter of Richard and Sarah Wallis.  
ed. school near Reigate. Took training as a nurse at Addenbroke Hospital, Cambridge.

c. 1897 went out to Adana (Ancient Tarsus) Asia Minor, and set up work for Armenians, several of whom were blind.

1915 the coming of World War I, was the cause of her return to England.

1929 removed to live in Wimble~~ton~~<sup>9/</sup> where she continued her interest in Russian Christian Refugees, Armenians and Abyssinians.

Resigned her membership with Friends.

She repeated the life of the Good Samaritan in her care for others.

d. Nov. 2, 1936 at Compton Road, Wimbledon in her 78th year.

The Friend (London), 94(1936):1181 (portrait)

WALLIS, Harriet Ellen (1859-1936) 9/86  
add: born 15 v 1859  
ref: Digest of births in Frds Hse Lib., Lond.

WALLIS, Henry (1818-1899)

Henry Wallis, the second son of Abraham and Mary Ann (1791-1836, qv) Wallis of Springfield near Chelmsford, was born on 20 March 1818 (1). He was one of eight sons who grew up to manhood. There was a close bond between the brothers and their early boyhood was a very happy one. When he was 18 he lost his mother, and as one of the older ones he tried to help his father through the time of grief and loss. His character matured early because of the responsibilities he had to bear.

In 1848 he married Elizabeth Reckitt at Ipswich and was much blessed in his marriage (2): there were four children (3). In 1862 one of their children died and his wife's health broke down; she had to go to the South of France to recuperate. She died in 1876, and it was clear that sorrow had made his nature more gentle and sympathetic.

He had many interests, political, intellectual and religious. His own faith was simple and his sympathies broad, and after he moved to Reading he enjoyed meeting the masters and boys of Leighton Park School. He was upright in business and raised the standard of business life for his associates. He had a clear and reflective mind. He taught children in First Day Schools and he also taught for 10 years in the Men's Adult School in Reading.

He died quietly and trustfully at the age of 81 on 18 June 1899.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE  
Annual monitor, 1900, p.176.

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. Essex QM Births Digest: his father is described as mealman.
2. The wedding was at Ipswich on 13 July 1848: he is described as bachelor, corn chandler of Ipswich, son of Abraham Wallis, accountant; she is described as spinster of Ipswich, daughter of Isaac Reckitt, starch manufacturer (Digest of Marriage Registers).
3. Listed in Digest of Birth & Burial Notes as follows:

Elizabeth Ann	born 20 May 1850
Constance	11 August 1852
Henry Marriage	19 January 1854 qv
Mary Ada	27 January 1860 died 9 August 1862

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WALLIS, Henry Marriage (1854-1951)

Henry Marriage Wallis was born at Ipswich on 19 January 1854. He had a period at Bootham School and then joined his father in a corn, seed & agricultural machine business at Reading, retiring in 1911.

During his long life he had several bereavements. The death of his first wife, Sarah Elizabeth Crosfield, in 1886, his second wife Annie Laird Hurry, in 1909, and his two sons Basil & Anthony in 1917 and 1919, gave him a sympathetic understanding of those in trouble which was characteristic of him.

He was a foundation member of Reading Natural History Society, an active Honorary Curator of the Museum and a willing and attractive lecturer. He served the town as Magistrate and in many other ways. He enjoyed writing articles, poems and novels, e.g. 'The Memoirs of a Person of Quality' and he wrote many letters of comfort, advice and encouragement.

Henry Marriage Wallis served the Society as an Overseer and member of Meeting for Sufferings and on Ackworth School Committee. He was an Adult School teacher for 40 years. In 1912 he helped to distribute relief funds in Bulgaria.

With his power of dramatic presentation and store of illustrations from nature and history his ministry made instant appeal to the boys of Leighton Park School attending Reading Meeting as well as to older Friends as he spoke with the sincerity of deep religious feeling.

He died on 10 November 1941

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WALLIS, Henry Marriage, 1854-1941

b. 1854 in Ipswich, Eng., son of Henry and Elizabeth (Reckitt) Wallis.

ed. Bootham School, 1865-69.

Wished to study architecture but was needed in his father's corn, seed and coal business so entered that instead. 1909 retired from business to pursue his avocations.

m., 1878, Sarah Elizabeth Crosfield (d. 1886) They had two sons.

m., (2d), 1901, Annie Hurry (d. 1909) 2 daughters, 1 son.

Interested in establishment of Leighton Park School in reading. Active in civic affairs as a Justice of the Peace. Natural science, especially ornithology a keen interest. He travelled widely in pursuit of his collection of birds' eggs.

Published some of his writings, including Memoirs of a person of quality, The Master Girk, and The Walbury Case.

1912-13 together with J.G.Crosfield helped to distribute relief to war sufferers in the Balkans (Bulgaria and Macedonia)

d. Nov. 10, 1941 in Reading, aged 87 years.

The Friend (London), 99(1941):550

Frds. Qu. Exam., 76(1942):1, 6, 150

Bootham School, Register, 266

WALLIS, Isaac Gray (1822-1897)

Isaac Gray Wallis, the son of Robert Wallis (1782-1860 qv) and his wife Maria, born Borley or Burley, of Rothwell Lodge near Kettering in Northamptonshire, was born there on 10 May 1822(1), one of a family of ten children. His parents were sturdy characters, firm in their principles. He was educated at Ackworth School from 1833 to 1836.

After leaving school he was apprenticed to Francis Spence, a draper of Dewsbury and in 1844 he moved to Wakefield in Yorkshire, starting business on his own account as a hosier at Cross Square. He was married in 1846 to Eliza Pickard (1824-1858 qv) of Wakefield(2) and there were three children(3). Many came to his shop for help and advice and many travelling Friends were welcomed there. Monthly Meeting dinner was held there in the cellar kitchen and here Isaac Wallis's character shone out in ready wit, good humour and common sense and cheerfulness. In 1857 he left his town house and moved to Newton Lodge, Outwood, on the outskirts of Wakefield, where, while his sons were at Ackworth, he was in the habit of inviting boys to spend the day. Some time after his wife's daeth he married her sister Hannah (1822-1910 qv)(4), but the marriage was apparently childless(5).

He was not a public man in the usual sense of the word, but in addition to the active part he took in the temperance movement he was the first chairman of the Stanley School Board, a director of the Wakefield Coffee Tavern Company and a member of the Lancasterian School Committee, a body which in Wakefield had large and important institutions under its care. He was for some years a Guardian of the Poor and was also a member of Ackworth School Committee for many years. He was an elder of his monthly meeting and occasionally spoke in meetings for worship.

His home interests were many, among the various animals he kept and in his garden. He was at his best at home, happy, loving and gentle with his wife and children. Perhaps his cheerfulness and geniality, his ready happy word, his love of children were his most striking characteristics. Until within a year of his death he was active and fresh-looking and he bore patiently the pernicious anaemia from which he suffered in his last year.

Isaac Gray Wallis died at Newton Lodge, Wakefield on 20 February 1897, at the age of seventy four(6).

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Annual Monitor 1898, p 160

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 16 (1897) pp 94-5

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Northamptonshire QM Births Digest: his father is described as a farmer  
He is described as of Rowell Lodge, not in membership at the time  
of his birth
- 2 The wedding was at Wakefield on 15 December 1846: he is described as a  
bachelor, a hosier of Wakefield, the son of Robert Wallis, a farmer;  
she is described as a spinster of Dircar, the daughter of William  
Pickard, a farmer (Digest of Marriages)
- 3 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages as follows:-  

*William Pickard	b 11 Oct 1847	(1849 - 4v)	
Robert qv	b 15 Oct 1850	m 1874	Sarah Ellen Hartas /
Isaac Henry qv	b 29 April 1855	m 1881	Hannah Sophia Pickard
- 4 \*No marriage traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1920
- 5 The marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages. As Hannah  
Pickard was his first wife's sister, the marriage would not have  
been in order
- 6 No children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 7 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a hosier

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

WALLIS, Isaac Gray (1822-1897)

Isaac Gray Wallis was born at Rothwell Lodge near Kettering on 10 May 1822 (1), one of a family of 10 children. His parents, Robert and Maria Wallis, were sturdy characters, firm in their principles. He went to Ackworth school as a boy, and then as apprentice to Francis Spence at Dewsbury. In 1844 he set up as hosier in Cross Square, Wakefield. In 1846 he married Eliza Pickard (2): there were 3 children (3).

Many came to his shop for help and advice, and many Friends were welcomed there as they travelled "for the cause of truth". Monthly Meeting dinner was held there in the cellar kitchen, and here Isaac Wallis's character shone out in ready wit, good humour and common sense and cheerfulness.

He was for some years a Guardian of the Poor, and for nine years a member of the School Board. He was also a member of Ackworth School Committee for many years. He was a popular speaker in the temperance cause, and he spoke occasionally in Meeting for worship. He was an Elder of his MM. Above all he was at his best at home, happy, loving and gentle with his children and wife. Until within a year of his death he was active and fresh-looking, and he bore patiently the pernicious anaemia from which he suffered in his last year.

He died at Wakefield at the age of 74 on 20 February 1897 (4)

PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Annual Monitor 1898 p.160

REFERENCES & NOTES :

- 1 Northamptonshire QM Births Digest, which gives the form Rowell
- 2 The wedding was at Wakefield on 15 December 1846. He is described as bachelor, hosier of Wakefield, son of Robert Wallis, farmer; she is described as spinster of Dircar, daughter of William Pickard, farmer.
- 3 Digest of Birth Notes: William Pickard born 11 October 1847  
Robert born 15 October 1850  
Isaac Henry born 29 April 1855
- 4 Digest of Burial Notes

WALLIS, Isaac Henry (1855-1933)

Isaac Henry Wallis, the son of Isaac Gray Wallis (1822-1897 qv) and his wife Eliza (born Pickard, 1824-1878 qv) of Wakefield in Yorkshire, was born there on 29 April 1855(1). His mother died when he was three years old and he was brought up by her sister Hannah, who subsequently married his father. He was educated at Ackworth School from 1867 to 1869(2) and went on to Bootham School, York, from 1869 to 1871(3). On leaving school he entered his father's hosiery business at Wakefield.

About 1879 he moved to Mansfield in Nottinghamshire and became a partner in the firm of Barringer & Brown, afterwards Barringer & Co. Ltd, mustard manufacturers. The firm later became Barringer, Wallis & Manners, Ltd, tinplate decorators and tin box manufacturers, of which Isaac Henry Wallis became a director and afterwards chairman of the board.

He was married in 1881 to Hannah Sophia Pickard (1856-1918 qv) of Mansfield(4) and there was one child(5).

In politics he was an active Liberal and it would not be unfair to say that he ran the constituency. He took a leading part in local affairs and was a town councillor from 1894 to 1897 and again from 1902 to 1911. In 1907 he was mayor of the borough of Mansfield. For a time he was chairman of the Free Library Committee. For a long period he was chairman of both the boys' and girls' committees of the Queen Elizabeth Grammar School at Mansfield. As a county magistrate he showed his business capacity and sound judgment for many years and was one of the advisory committee consulted by the Lord Chancellor before promotion to the county benches.

He was devoted to Ackworth School and from 1902 to 1931 he served continuously on the school committee, for much of the time as assistant clerk. The "1929 Bursary Fund" in celebration of the school's one hundred and fiftieth anniversary owed much to him. He was president of the Ackworth Old Scholars Association in 1922-3 and his generosity made possible the publication of the list of scholars from 1879 to 1930. A lifelong friend of Frederick Andrews (1850-1922 qv), whose love of cricket he shared, he was responsible for the biography of the great Quaker headmaster, published in 1923.

He possessed a keen and ready sense of humour and he never harboured resentment. He was diffident about his powers as a writer, but he was no mean poet and read poetry every day of his life; he published two volumes of lyrics. He loved the countryside and the songs of birds and turned into verse the words and ways of vanished Lakeland worthies of Quakerism. As a host he showed at his very best and those who shared his hospitality found it a memorable and delightful experience.

He was a Friend through and through, but was reticent about his inner spiritual life, which he shared only with his wife. His greatest enthusiasm in life was to give of himself, an inspiring and lovable personality. George Fox said "Let your life preach." His did.

Isaac Henry Wallis of Crow Hill, Mansfield, died on 1 October 1933, at the age of seventy eight(6).

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 55 (1934) pp 92-93  
The Friend vol 91 (1933) pp 883-884

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a hosier
- 2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 168, entry 8473: from Wakefield
- 3 Bootham School Register 1935, p 428
- 4 The Friend vol 21 (1881) p 262: 9 August. At Mansfield, Isaac Henry Wallis, youngest son of Isaac Gray Wallis, of Wakefield, to Hannah Sophia Pickard, youngest daughter of George Pickard of Mansfield  
The marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages
- 5 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages as follows:-  
Barbara qv b 7 March 1889 m 1915 Michael Satterthwaite Fowkes (1888-1974 qv)
- 6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a director of companies

SEE ALSO:-

J Friends Hist Soc vol 3, p 75: reference to The Cloud Kingdom

The two volumes of verses are:-

The cloud kingdom (John Lane, 1905)

A selection of verses (privately printed, 1928)

WBE:

WALLIS, Isaac Henry, 1855-1933.

b. 1855 in Wakefield, Eng., son of Isaac Gray and Eliza (Pickard) Wallis.

ed., 1867 at Ackworth School. Went to Bootham in 1869. Graduated in 1871 and went into business with his father at Wakefield.

1879 removed to live at Mansfield and became a partner in Barringer and Brown, tinplate decorators and tin box manufacturers.

m., 1881 Hannah Sophia Pickard. 1 daughter, Barbara.

1894-97 served as Town Councillor and also became a Justice of the Peace and county magistrate.

1907-08 was chosen Mayor of Mansfield.

Served Friends as a member of the Committee for Ackworth School. He enjoyed cricket and played well. He read much poetry and did some writing. Nature study, especially ornithology was a great interest. It is said of him that he never made an enemy.

1924 wrote and published a biography of one of the great headmasters of Ackworth, called Frederick Andrews of Ackworth.

d. Oct. 1, 1933 at Mansfield, England, aged 78 years.

The Friend (London), 91(1933):883 (portrait)

The Bootham School, Register, 268

WALLIS, Jane Hallaway (1863-1942) after 1889 Pollard

(Jane Hallaway Wallis, daughter of William Gray Wallis of Maryport in Cumberland, was married in 1889 to Albert Pollard (1860-1902 qv).

See POLLARD, Jane Hallaway (1863-1942) born Wallis )

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WALLIS, John (1747-1816)

John Wallis, the son of John and Elizabeth Wallis of London, was born there on 19 August 1747(1). Like his father, he became a woollen draper(2) and in 1774 he was married to Margaret Gray (1752-1833 qv) the daughter of Isaac Gray (1718-1784 qv) of Hitchin in Hertfordshire(3); there were nine children(4).

After his marriage he lived for some time in London, later moving to Hitchin and finally to Olney in Buckinghamshire. He appears at some time during his removals to have given up the woollen business and become a grocer(5). He died at Olney on 29 October 1816 at the age of sixty nine(6), after a long and trying illness, which "there is good reason to believe was greatly blessed to him. Though he had, in the course of it, to pass through many proving seasons, yet, as his end drew near, he was favoured to experience a comfortable hope that all would be well."(7)

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: his father is described as a woollen draper
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Hitchin on 28 September 1774: he is described as a woollen draper of London, the son of John and Elizabeth Wallis of London; she is described as the daughter of Isaac and Barbara Gray of Hitchin in Hertfordshire (Beds & Herts QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in London & Middlesex Births and Burials Digests as follows:-

John	b 27 July 1775	who d 10 Dec 1776
Margaret	b 16 Jan 1777	who d 1 March 1777
Margaret qv	b 16 June 1779	who m 1802 Thomas Marriage (Bucks QM)
John	b 7 Dec 1780	who d 13 May 1781
Robert qv	b 28 Nov 1782	who m Maria Borley or Burley*
Isaac Gray	b 19 Dec 1783	who d 1 April 1784

\*Information from Genealogical chart of the descendants of Isaac Gray of Hitchin (Friends House Library, chart Box 1)

and in Beds & Herts QM Births and Burials Digests as follows:-

John	b 10 Jan 1785	who m 1834 Mary Tilney (Essex QM)
Isaac Gray	b 18 July 1787	who d 16 Sept 1789
Abraham qv	b 30 July 1789	who m 1814 Mary Ann Marriage (Essex QM)

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WALLIS, John (1747-1816)

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REFERENCES AND NOTES cont.

- 5 He is so described in his burial entry, note 6
- 6 Buckinghamshire & Burials Digest: he is described as a grocer of Olney
- 7 Annual Monitor 1819, p 34: complete entry

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

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WALLIS, Laura Maria (1850- ) after 1883 Wilson

(Laura Maria Wallis, daughter of Francis Wallis (1826-1905 qv) and his first wife Sarah Ann (born Jeffrey, 1827?-1863 qv) of Scarborough in Yorkshire, was married in 1883 to Robert Wilson (1850-1933 qv).

See WILSON, Laura Maria (1850- ) born Wallis ]

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WALLIS, Margaret (1752-1833) born Gray

Margaret Gray, the daughter of Isaac Gray (1718-1784 qv) and his wife Barbara, of Hitchin in Hertfordshire, was born there on 17 June 1752(1). She was married in 1774 to John Wallis (1747-1816 qv) and there were nine children(2).

After their marriage she and her husband lived for some time in London, where John Wallis was a woollen draper(3). Later they moved to Hitchin and finally to Olney in Buckinghamshire. It was while at Olney that Margaret Wallis first appeared in the ministry. In 1822, after her husband's death, she wished to be near her children and moved within the compass of Witham Monthly Meeting, who accepted her as a minister in good esteem. She exercised her gift rarely and briefly, but with caution and simplicity.

October aged 81 years

She died very peacefully at Springfield on 24 December 1833 and was buried in Friends' burial ground at Chelmsford, a minister for upwards of thirty years(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

Testimony of Witham MN 26 February 1834 in TCMD vol 6, p 55

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Beds & Herts QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, John (1747-1816)
- 3 See WALLIS, John (1747-1816)
- 4 Essex QM Burials Digest: she is described as the widow of John

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

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WALLIS, Margaret (1752-1833) born Gray

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Margaret Wallis, the daughter of Isaac and Barbara  
Gray of Hitchin, married John Wallis of London. Later  
the couple moved to Olney, Bucks. When John Wallis died  
in 1822 she moved her family to Springfield, Essex, where she  
became a minister. She seldom spoke, and then only in few words.  
She died aged 82, in 1833.

Testimony of Witham M.M. in MS Test. vol.6 p.55

WALLIS, Margaret (1779-1860) after 1802 Marriage

(Margaret Wallis, daughter of John Wallis and his wife  
Margaret (born Gray, 1752-1833 qv) of Cornhill in London,  
was married in 1802 to Thomas Marriage.

See MARRIAGE, Margaret (1779-1860) born Wallis )

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WALLIS, Margaret (1864-1952) after 1890 Pickard

[ Margaret Wallis, daughter of Frederic Wallis (fl 1844-1879 qv) and his wife Martha Ann (born Stretch, 1840-1919 qv) of Nantwich in Cheshire, was married in 1890 to Edgar Pickard (1862-1897 qv) of Altringham near Manchester.

See PICKARD, Margaret (1864-1952) born Wallis ]

WALLIS, Maria (1817-1900) born Thistletonwaite

Maria Thistletonwaite, the daughter of John Thistletonwaite and his third wife Hannah, born Winn, was born on 25 June 1817(1).

She became in 1865 the second wife of Francis Wallis (1826-1905 qv), a corn dealer of Scarborough in Yorkshire, but the marriage was childless(2).

Maria Wallis of Scarborough died on 19 February 1900, at the age of eighty two(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Bernard Thistletonwaite, The Thistletonwaite Family, 1910, p 257  
She was not in membership at the time of her marriage
- 2 For marriage see WALLIS, Francis (1826-1905)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Francis

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

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WALLIS, Marriage (1820-1897)

Marriage Wallis, the son of Abraham Wallis (1789-1861 qv) and his wife Mary Ann (born Marriage, 1791-1836 qv) of Peases, Springfield Park near Chelmsford in Essex, was born there on 11 January 1820(1). He was a steady and reliable boy and when quite young was trusted to drive his younger brothers into Chelmsford to school.

He was apprenticed to Isaac Bass (1782-1855 qv), a grocer of Brighton in Sussex and arrived there at the age of fourteen. Business hours were long and he had to work hard, but he managed by perseverance and careful management to find time to continue his studies and to pursue one or two scientific hobbies. After Isaac Bass's death his son took into partnership Marriage Wallis and afterwards Daniel Hack (1834-1901 qv), who were eventually left as sole partners. Marriage Wallis was married in 1848 to Hannah Thistlethwaite (1814-1894 qv) of Bishopwearmouth(2) and there were three children(3). His wife was a great help to him in his business, which threatened at times to overwhelm him and indeed culminated in a severe illness.

He was recorded a minister by Lewes & Chichester Monthly Meeting in 1870 and was for some years clerk to his quarterly meeting. His ministry was fresh and invigorating and he enjoyed Scriptural exposition. Gradually, owing to the Adult School work and other agencies, the size of Brighton Meeting increased and he welcomed the additional responsibility. His sympathy and kindness went out to all who came and, combined with a wise oversight and fatherly care, created a strong bond in the whole meeting.

But although he served the Society well, taking a lively interest in meetings for discipline and all the work arising from them, his sympathies were wide and he was especially interested in education and the work of the Young Men's Christian Association. Long before the passing of the Education Act of 1870 he had been prominent in his advocacy of education for the people and in 1873 he was elected to a place on the Brighton School Board. In the same year he was chosen as vice-chairman and four years later as chairman, a position he occupied for seven years; he remained on the Board for twenty years, until 1893.

When he first became associated with the YMCA it occupied very small premises, but when the chance came to acquire Steine House for £4,250 he and Daniel Hack threw all their energies into a successful attempt to raise the money. As chairman for many years he was the backbone of the Association. "He had the sympathy of his partner in his public work, so that their counting house became a centre and rallying point for those desiring the highest good of the community." (Testimony) Temperance was also a branch of social duty which he felt keenly and personally. He was a magistrate and his work in this connection brought

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him into close contact with the poor of the town, to whom he was always a true friend. He also had great sympathy with the police and with a friend combined to provide them with an Institute.

"To the many individuals who sought his help, religious or otherwise, he was ever open, and his advice was often of untold value. Men of varied beliefs, religious and political, looked up to him and counted him as their best friend, knowing well that he sought not his own promotion in the world, but their benefit, and the promotion of all that was true and pure and of real value for time and for eternity."(Testimony)

He played an active part in civic affairs in Brighton for sixty three years and his life was an excellent illustration of the powers of a Christian life manifested throughout an energetic business career.

Marriage Wallis of Brighton died on 1 June 1897, at the age of seventy seven(4).

#### PRINCIPAL SOURCES

Annual Monitor 1898 pp 164-174

The Friend vol 37 (1897) p 391 (portrait)

Testimony of Lewes & Chichester MM in Yearly Meeting Proceedings 1898,  
p 148

#### REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Essex QM Births Digest: his father is described as a mealman  
His paternal grandmother was the daughter of Isaac Gray  
(1718-1784 qv) of Hitchin in Hertfordshire
- 2 The wedding was at Sunderland on 20 July 1848: he is described as a bachelor, a grocer of 27 Brighton Place, Brighton, the son of Abraham Wallis, an accountant; she is described as a spinster of High Street, Bishopwearmouth, the daughter of William, a grocer (Digest of Marriages)
- 3 Listed in the Digests of Births and Marriages as follows:-  
Gulielma b 29 April 1851 m 1880 Albert J.Crosfield  
(1852-1931 qv)  
\*William Clarkson b 1 Dec 1852  
\*Edwin Arthur b 20 July 1855  
\*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1920
- 4 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a retired provision merchant

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

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WALLIS, Marriage (1820-1897) *2X*

Marriage Wallis was born on 11 January 1820 at Peases, Springfield Park, near Chelmsford, the son of Abraham and Mary Ann Wallis (1). In 1834 he was apprenticed to Isaac Bass, grocer, of Brighton, in whose business he subsequently became the leading partner.

He was recorded a minister by Lewes and Chichester Monthly Meeting in 1870, and was for some years Clerk of his Quarterly Meeting.

He was interested in the work of the Young Men's Christian Association, in the cause of Total Abstinence and was for many years chairman of the Brighton School Board. 'He had the sympathy of his partner in his public work, so that their counting-house became a centre and rallying point for those desiring the highest good of the community'.

'To the many individuals who sought his help, religious or otherwise, he was ever open, and his advice was often of untold value. Men of varied beliefs, religious and political, looked up to him and counted him as their best friend, knowing well that he sought not his own promotion in the world, but their benefit, and the promotion of all that was true and pure and of real value for time and for eternity'.

Marriage Wallis died 1 June 1897, aged about seventy years.

Testimony of Lewes and Chichester MM in YM Proc. 1898, p.148

References and notes

1 Essex QM Births Register

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WALLIS, Marriage, 1820-1897

b. January 1820, at Springfield near Chelmsford,  
England.

1834 entered the grocery business of Isaac Bass at  
Brighton and soon became a partner.

Was interested in education and in YMCA work.

m., 1848, Hannah Thistlethwaite, of Sunderland. They  
had 2 sons.

✓ 1870, recognized a minister.

He had an active part in civic affairs of Brighton  
during a period of 63 years.

d. June 1, 1897 in Brighton, aged 77 years.

An. Mon. (N.S.) 56(1898):164

The Friend (London), 37(1897):391 (portrait)

Bootham School, Register, 267, 269.

WALLIS, Mary (1791-1868) born Ashby

Mary Ashby, the daughter of Thomas Ashby (1762-1841 qv) and his first wife Kitty (born Crowley, 1760-1796 qv) of Staines in Middlesex, was born there on 15 December 1791(1).

She was married in 1820 to Richard Wallis (1787-1853 qv), at various times a mealman and coal merchant at Basingstoke in Hampshire and there were seven children(2).

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Mary Wallis of Mote Street, Basingstoke, died on 2 September 1868, at the age of seventy six(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: her father's occupation is not given
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Richard (1787-1853)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Richard

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1869, p 215: 2 line entry for death

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

WALLIS, Mary Ann (1791-1836) born Marriage

Mary Ann Marriage, the daughter of John Marriage (1756-1816 qv) and his wife Mary (born Gopsill, ) of Barns Farm, Springfield in Essex, was born there on 30 March 1791(1).

She was married in 1814 to Abraham Wallis (1789-1861 qv), a mealman or miller of Springfield and there were eight children(2).

*of Springfield, as Essex,*  
Mary Ann Wallis died on 23 September 1836, at the age of forty five(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Essex QM Births Digest: her father is described as a farmer

2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Abraham (1789-1861)

3 Essex QM Burials Digest: she is described as the wife of Abraham

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

WALLIS, Martha Ann (1840-1919) born Stretch

Martha Ann Stretch, the daughter of Joseph Stretch (1806-1846 qv) and his wife Hannah (born Neild, 1810-1875 qv) of Nantwich in Cheshire, was born there on 22 April 1840(1).

She was educated at Ackworth School from 1851 to 1854(2).

She was married in 1862 to Frederic Wallis (fl 1844-1879 qv), a clothier of Kettering in Northamptonshire and there were eight children(3).

Martha Ann Wallis of Newton near Kettering died on 17 August 1919, at the age of seventy nine(4).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a draper
- 2 List of Ackworth Scholars 1779-1879, p 161, entry 7264: from Warrington
- 3 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Frederic (fl 1844-1879)
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Frederic

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

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WALLIS, Mary Ann (1847-1918)

Mary Ann Wallis was born at Brighton on 26 October 1847, the eldest daughter of Arthur and Hannah Wallis. Her father died when she was quite young, leaving her mother with the responsibility for five young children. Determined to keep home for them she moved to Southport, and opened a school so that she could educate her own children with others. This school, beginning in a very small way, became a fine and important school for girls.

Mary Ann Wallis was of a very shy and sensitive disposition and shrank from any contacts outside her own home. One of her greatest joys was provided by the holidays spent in the Lake District. When she left school she spent a year studying at Queen's College, London University, where her remarkable literary gifts impressed her teachers. She passed the General Examination for Women in the first division and took a first-class certificate for General Proficiency. On her return home she began teaching in her mother's school, and eventually succeeded her mother as Principal. She gave herself whole-heartedly to this work but also found time to give devoted attention to her sister Margaret, who had become totally blind at the age of 20. Mary Ann Wallis was always longing to awaken and foster the religious life of her pupils, and many of them have testified to the great value of the Bible readings and heart-to-heart talks which she gave them. Some of them admitted that they owed the beginning of their Christian life to her faithful teaching. Speaking at a meeting called to consider ways of influencing young Friends, she said "We need not be afraid of frightening the young by setting the standard too high, neither is there occasion to minimise the difficulties and self denials of the Christian life.... Difficulties attract the ardent mind of youth, it is the forlorn hope that wins the choicest volunteers." She herself went through times of spiritual conflict and intellectual troubles, and she was greatly helped by attending the first Summer School of Friends in 1897.

In spite of all her other work Mary Ann Wallis accepted many offices for Friends, and for several years was Clerk of the Meeting on Ministry and Oversight of Lancashire and Cheshire Quarterly Meeting. In 1884 she was recorded a Minister.

When she retired she settled, first at Sanderstead, and afterwards at Purley, and took up fresh activities. She worked for some years for the Editor of the British Friend, was a member of the Friends Central Education Committee and accepted many invitations to address groups on Biblical and other topics. She wrote articles on early Friends for young people.

In 1912 she joined the Committee of the Purley Branch of the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies, and became its Hon. Secretary. Until the last three or four months of her life she continued most of her activities. She died on 11 April 1918, aged 70.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Annual Monitor 1919/20 p.278

WALLIS, Priscilla (1820-1881) after 1839 Wells

[Priscilla Wallis, daughter of Robert Wallis (1782-1860 qv)  
and his wife Maria (born Burley, 1789?-1864 ) of  
Kettering in Northamptonshire, was married in 1839 to  
Joseph Wells (1814-1899 qv) of Kettering.

See WELLS, Priscilla (1820-1881) born Wallis ]

WALLIS, Richard (1787-1853)

Richard Wallis, the son of James Wallis ( - ) and his wife Hannah (born ) of Audwell in the parish of Nately in Hampshire, was born there on 24 February 1787(1).

He became a mealman at Basingstoke in Hampshire(2) and was married in 1820 to Mary Ashby (1791-1868 qv) of Staines in Middlesex(3); there were seven children(4). At the time of the birth of his eldest child in 1822 he was a coal merchant, by 1826 he was again a mealman and by 1835 a coal merchant(5).

Richard Wallis of Basingstoke died on 18 October 1853, at the age of sixty six(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1 Dorset & Hants QM Births Digest: his father's occupation is not given \*

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

3 The wedding was at Staines on 23 November 1820: he is described as a mealman of Basingstoke in Hampshire, the son of James and Hannah Wallis of Basingstoke; she is described as the daughter of Thomas and Kitty Ashby of Staines (London & Middlesex QM Marriages Digest)

4 Listed in Dorset & Hants QM Births Digest and the Digest of Marriages as follows:-

*Francis Ashby	b 23 Jan 1822	
Richard qv	b 29 March 1823	m 1851 Sarah Sterry (1825-1897 qv)
*Charles	b 22 Dec 1824	
Harriet Ashby qv	b 26 Sept 1826	m 1848 Charles Hooper (1820-1896 qv)
*Mary Ann	b 23 Sept 1828	
Arthur qv	b 29 April 1830	m 1856 Charlotte Sterry (1829-1912 qv)

\*Elizabeth b 5 July 1835

\*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1890

5 He is so described in the birth entries for his children: for the three born between 1822 and 1824 he is described as a coal merchant, for the three born between 1826 and 1830 he is described as a mealman and when his youngest child was born in 1835 he was again a coal merchant

6 Digest of Deaths: no description of him is given

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1855, p 162: 1 line entry for death

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

\* Nately is some 4 miles east of Basingstoke

WALLIS, Richard (1823-1881)

Richard Wallis, the son of Richard Wallis (1787-1853 qv) and his wife Mary (born Ashby, 1791-1868 qv) of Basingstoke in Hampshire, was born there on 29 March 1823(1).

He became a corn merchant at Basingstoke(2) and was married in 1851 to Sarah Sterry (1825-1897 qv) of Croydon in Surrey(3); there were eight children(4).

Richard Wallis of Basingstoke died on 28 November 1881, at the age of fifty eight(5).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Dorset & Hants QM Births Digest: his father is described as a coal merchant
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3: in the birth entries for his children he is described as a merchant
- 3 The wedding was at Croydon on 1 January 1851: he is described as a bachelor, a corn merchant of Basingstoke in Hampshire, the son of Richard Wallis, a gentleman; she is described as a spinster of Croydon in Surrey, the daughter of Richard Sterry, a gentleman (Digest of Marriages)
- 4 Listed in the Digests of Births, Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

*Mary Sophia	b 27 Sept 1851	
Richard Sterry qv	b 18 Aug 1855	m 1883 Edith Jeffrey (1853-1885 qv)
*Sarah Jane	b 24 May 1857	
Harriet Ellen qv	b 15 May 1859	d 2 Nov 1936
Agnes Ann	b 23 March 1861	d 22 March 1873, aged 12
Ashby	b 31 March 1864	d 14 Dec 1870, aged 6
Alice Mabel qv	b 12 Dec 1865	m 1889 Charles D.Terrell (1864-1949 qv)
*Edith Elizabeth	b 14 Aug 1867	
- \*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1920
- The Digest of Births omits Alice Mabel, whose birth is given in The Friend ns vol 6 (1866) p 40
- 5 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a gentleman

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1883, p 133: 2 line entry for death

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

WALLIS, Richard Sterry (1855-1924)

R.Sterry Wallis, the son of Richard Wallis (1823-1881 qv) and his wife Sarah (born Sterry, 1825-1897 qv) of Eastlands, Basingstoke in Hampshire, was born there on 18 August 1855(1).

After leaving school he was articled to an architect and surveyor at Reading. He started his own business in Basingstoke, where a few years later he was joined by the son of his former chief. He was married in 1883 to Edith Jeffrey (1853-1885 qv) of Melksham(2), who died two years later, following the death of his only child(3).

He devoted his life to public service. In many and various spheres he served the community in which he lived with distinction and inspired the fullest trust in his integrity and judgment. He was elected a town councillor in 1900; three years later he served as mayor and served again in 1905, when he was presented with an album in grateful recognition of his services to the community. In November 1907 the Council sought to elect him alderman, but knowing that he was displacing someone else, he declined to accept the honour; in 1910, however, way opened clearly for him to accept the office and he served in that capacity until 1918.

He had a lifelong interest in education, based on his love of children. Following in the footsteps of his father, he became one of the managers and honorary secretary of the British Schools on Sarum Hill. When the first School Board for Basingstoke was formed he was elected one of its members, subsequently becoming chairman. When the county council became responsible for the administration of elementary schools R.Sterry Wallis became chairman of the first body of managers. As chairman of the Aldworth Exhibition Foundation and as representative Governor appointed by the county council to Queen Mary's School, he was able still further to promote the cause of education. He also served as representative member appointed by the Town Council of the Court of Governors of the University College of Southampton.

He remained a member of the Society of Friends to the end of his life, but after Basingstoke Meeting was laid down in 1918 he felt it right to attend the little country church close to his home. There he often read one of the lessons and found much in the Church of England ritual refreshing to his spiritual life. Not long before his death he attended quarterly meeting at Southampton and showed a warm interest in the activities of the Society, particularly in the Bedford Institute.

His great private delight was in his garden and in the countryside surrounding his home, through which he loved to wander, often coming home with wild flowers which he carefully identified and pressed. He lived his full and busy life right up to the end of his days. R.Sterry Wallis of Nately Hill, Winchfield in Hampshire died very suddenly, while interviewing a client, on 28 July 1924, at the age of sixty eight(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend ns vol 64 (1924) p 718

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REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a merchant
- 2 The wedding was at Melksham on 31 October 1883: he is described as a bachelor, an architect of Basingstoke, the son of Richard Wallis, a corn dealer; she is described as a spinster of Melksham, the daughter of Russell Jeffrey, a chemist (Digest of Marriages)
- 3 Listed in the Digests of Births and Deaths as follows:-  
Ruth b 6 Nov 1885 d 10 Nov 1885, aged 3 days
- 4 Digest of Deaths: he is described as an architect

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

**WALLIS, Robert (1782-1860)**

Robert Wallis, the eldest surviving son of John Wallis (1747-1816 qv) and his wife Margaret (born Gray, 1752-1833 qv), the daughter of Isaac Gray (1718-1784 qv) of Hitchin, was born in London, where his father was a woollen draper, on 28 November 1782(1). He was married to Maria Burley, or Burley(2) and there were eight children(3).

He appears to have been a farmer near Kettering in Northamptonshire, where he died on 15 August 1860, at the age of seventy eight(4).

**REFERENCES AND NOTES**

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: his father is described as a woollen draper
- 2 Information from Genealogical chart of the descendants of Isaac Gray of Hitchin (Friends House Library, chart Box 1): the marriage is not traced in Essex QM, Suffolk QM, Norfolk & Norwich QM, London & Middlesex QM, Kent QM, Berks & Oxon QM, Buckinghamshire QM, Durham QM, Northamptonshire QM, Warwick, Leicester & Rutland QM, Hereford, Worcester & Wales GM, Yorkshire QM, Lancashire QM or Derby & Notts QM Marriages Digests
- 3 Listed in Northamptonshire QM Births Digest and the Digest of Marriages as follows:-

*Thomas	b 22 Feb 1818	
Priscilla	b 26 Jan 1820	who m 1839 Joseph Wells
Isaac Gray	b 10 May 1822	who m 1846 Eliza Pickard
*Anna Maria	b 5 May 1824	
*Robert Burley	b 7 March 1826	
*Rachel	b 9 March 1828	
*Louisa	b 9 March 1830	
Frederic	b 14 Aug 1833	who m 1862 Martha Ann Stretch

\*No marriages traced to 1890
- 4 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a farmer of Rothwell Lodge, near Kettering

**SEE ALSO:-**

Annual Monitor 1861, p 121: 1 line entry for death

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

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WALLIS, Robert (1850-1925)

Robert Wallis, the son of Isaac Gray Wallis (1822-1897 qv) and his first wife Eliza (born Pickard, 1824-1858 qv) of Wakefield in Yorkshire, was born there on 15 October 1850(1). He was educated at Ackworth School from 1862 to 1865 and at Bootham School, York, from 1865 to 1867(2). His father was a hosier at Wakefield and Robert went into the business on leaving school, remaining in it all his life.

He was married in 1874 to Sarah Ellen Hartas (1849-1937 qv) of Mansfield(3) and there were six children(4). Love was the foundation of his home life and helped him and his wife during the years in which they nursed their eldest son, who died as a boy of fifteen. It also helped them to face and finally to overcome considerable business difficulties. Visits to their home were looked forward to with pleasure; Robert Wallis was a born conversationalist, just as he was a born letter writer. He exercised his gift of humour with invariable good nature and could differ with others without bitterness.

He found time in a busy working life to serve the Society faithfully. He was recorded a minister by Pontefract Monthly Meeting on 4 November 1889(5) and his addresses in meeting appealed to both young and old, being both deeply spiritual and original; he was rarely absent from business meetings, where he was a tower of strength. He had a thorough knowledge of the Bible, but at the same time he never tried to evade difficult questions of belief. His ministry was chiefly confined to his own monthly and quarterly meetings. His own deep devotion to the Society made him occasionally severe upon those who felt prevented from attending meetings for worship and discipline regularly because of business or other commitments. He greatly regretted some of the new usages which were coming into the Society, feeling convinced that the abandonment of the recording of m<sup>i</sup>ngiters was a great mistake, as was the delegation of so much work to committees.

His principal interest was in the Society, but he was greatly concerned in work for temperance and gave years of ungrudging service to Ackworth School. He joined the Committee in 1892, while his father was still a member, remaining on it almost continuously until 1924. He gave special attention to the domestic equipment of the school and was interested in the garden and the estate. He attended Ackworth General Meeting without a break for sixty two years. He was also chairman of the House Committee of the Clayton Hospital for a considerable time and showed great interest in the staff and patients. In all his activities as a Friend and a citizen he showed a deep sense of duty, but it was always accompanied by joy in the giving of service.

Away from his business and outside activities, he delighted in his home life and being in the country. He loved farms, fields and streams and especially the moorland. Although not an expert he was knowledgeable

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WALLIS, Robert (1850-1925)

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about birds and was an ideal companion for a walk or a holiday. His essential goodness was perhaps to be found in his simple-mindedness, his fresh delight in beauty and truth and his understanding love of others.

Robert Wallis of Wakefield died on 6 December 1925, at the age of seventy five(6).

PRINCIPAL SOURCES

The Friend vol 65 (1925) pp 1157-8

Ackworth Old Scholars Association Reports 45 (1926) pp 89-90

Testimony of Pontefract MM in Yearly Meeting Proceedings 1926, p 215

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father is described as a hosier
- 2 Bootham School Register 1935, p 429
- 3 The wedding was at Mansfield on 14 July 1874: he is described as a bachelor, a hosier of Wakefield, the son of Isaac Gray Wallis, a Hosier; she is described as a spinster of Mansfield, the daughter of Thomas Hartas, a draper (Digest of Marriages)
- 4 Listed in the Digests of Births, Marriages and Deaths as follows:-

Robert Burley	b 6 May 1875	d 28 Sept 1890, aged 15
*Isaac Gray	b 11 Nov 1878	
Ellen Adair	b 31 July 1881	m 1919 Gerald G.R.Whichelo
*Thomas Hartas	b 3 Jan 1885	
*William Pickard	b 27 Sept 1889	
Margaret	b 18 March 1893	d 14 Nov 1894, aged 1½ years
- \*No marriages traced in the Digest of Marriages to 1941
- 5 Friends House Library List of recorded ministers 1861-1924
- 6 Digest of Deaths: he is described as a hosier

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

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WALLIS, Robert (1850-1925)

Robert Wallis, the son of Isaac Gray (1822-1897, qv) and Eliza (born Pickard) Wallis was born in Wakefield on 15 October 1850 (1).

In 1874 he married Sarah Ellen Hartas (2) : there were six children (3).

He was a business man who devoted much of his time to work for the Society of Friends. He served on Ackworth School Committee for 32 years, and attended 62 consecutive General Meetings. He was chairman of Clayton Hospital, Wakefield.

He died on 6 December 1925

PRINCIPAL SOURCE :

Testimony of Pontefract MM in YM Proc. 1926, p.215

REFERENCES AND NOTES :

- 1 Digest of Birth Notes; his father is described as hosier.
- 2 The wedding was at Mansfield on 14 July 1874: he is described as bachelor, hosier, of Wakefield, son of Isaac Gray Wallis, hosier; she is described as spinster, of Mansfield, daughter of Thomas Hartas, draper. (Digest of Marriage Registers)
- 3 Listed in Digest of Birth Notes as follows :-

Robert Burley	born 6 May 1875
Isaac Gray	born 11 Nov 1878
Ellen Adair	born 31 July 1881
Thomas Hartas	born 3 Jan 1885
William Pickard	born 27 Sept 1889
Margaret	born 18 Mar 1893

SEE ALSO :

Biog: account and photo, Friend vol.65 n.s. (1925) p.1157

WALLIS, Rosamund ( 1892 - 1976 )

Rosamund Wallis was born in 1892 the daughter of Henry Marriage, ( 1854 - 1941 qv. ) and his second wife, Annie Laird ( b. Hurry - 1859 ? - 1909 ) Wallis of Reading.(1)

When her mother died in 1909, Rosamund gave much of her time to her father until his death in 1941. This did not prevent her from doing much work abroad. From 1925 until 1951 she was a member first of the Council for International Service and then of the Friends Service Council, and from the beginning her main interest had been in the work of the Germany committee. In 1933, when the committee was concerned to set up a home of rest, initially at Falkenstein, Rosamund Wallis and Helen Dixon went out at the end of November to set it up. The Rest Home soon moved to Bad Pyrmont and on many occasions Rosamund acted as hostess to those who came under stress and needing rest and care.

At Reading she was mainly responsible for establishing and maintaining a refugee club every Sunday evening in the Meeting House premises. During this time also she served the Society on various other committees (2) and her own Reading Meeting with charm, her helpfulness and generosity being deeply rooted in a belief in God's love. She had not only a sympathetic ear but a great zest and sense of fun and an ability to spread sheer contagious enjoyment.

After the close of the second world war she moved in 1950 to live with her friend Anne Justus, in Munster, Westfalen where she remained until near the close of her life when illness forced her to return to a nursing home near Chester.(3)

She died in Chester Hospital following a fall, on February 6, 1976 aged 83.

PRINCIPAL SOURCE The Friend Vol 134 (1976) p. 435

REFERENCES AND NOTES

1. See D Q B entry WALLIS Henry Marriage ( 1854 - 1941 )
2. The Typescript Committee Index, Friends House Library provides the following information:-  
Meeting for Sufferings - representative of Berks & Oxon QM 1937 - 1940  
Agenda Committee - 1938 - 1939  
Committee on Clerks - 1935 - 1937  
Friends Relief Service Cttee - 1946 - 1948.  
Council for International Service and  
Friends Service Council - Representative Berks & Oxon QM 1925 - 1951  
( except for period May to November 1945 ).
3. Information ex E.H.Milligan.

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WALLIS, Sarah (1825-1897) born Sterry

Sarah Sterry, the daughter of Richard Sterry (1784-1865 qv) and his second wife Ann (born Pollard, 1787-1864 qv) of Camberwell in Surrey, was born there on 5 May 1825(1).

She was married in 1851 to Richard Wallis (1823-1881 qv), a corn merchant of Basingstoke in Hampshire and there were eight children(2).

Sarah Wallis of Basingstoke died on 24 December 1897, at the age of seventy three(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 London & Middlesex QM Births Digest: her father is described as an oilman
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Richard (1823-1881)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Richard

SEE ALSO:-

Annual Monitor 1899, p 143: 2 line entry for death

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

WALLIS, Sarah Ann (1827?-1863) born Jeffrey

Sarah Ann Jeffrey, the daughter of John Jeffrey of London, was born about the year 1827(1).

She was married in 1849 to Francis Wallis (1826-1905 qv), a corn dealer of Scarborough in Yorkshire and there were seven children(2).

Sarah Ann Wallis of Scarborough died on 13 November 1863, at the age of thirty six(3).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 36 at death. Her birth is not traced in London & Middlesex QM Births Digest
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Francis (1826-1905)
- 3 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the wife of Francis

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

WALLIS, Sarah Ellen (1849-1937) born Hartas

S.Ellen Hartas, the daughter of Thomas Hartas ( - ) and his wife Annis (born ) of Mansfield in Nottinghamshire, was born there on 5 December 1849(1).

She was married in 1874 to Robert Wallis (1850-1925 qv), a hosier of Wakefield in Yorkshire and there were six children(2). She and her husband had the great sorrow of nursing for some years their eldest son, who died as a boy of fifteen(3).

All her life she was greatly interested in the Society's affairs and shared with her husband a constant concern for the welfare of Wakefield Meeting, which she served with sweet, unassuming sympathy as an overseer and an elder. When during the first world war a large number of conscientious objectors were lodged in Wakefield Prison the Wallis's home was one of the few places where they could go for help and comfort in the persecution they were forced to endure.

For the last twenty years of her life she was blind, but her mental faculties remained alert until the end and her own affliction gave her great sympathy with those who had to face similar difficulties, especially the deaf. She possessed a wonderful spirit and a simple, absolute faith in the love of God.

S.Ellen Wallis of Wakefield died on 29 March 1937, at the age of eighty seven(4).

PRINCIPAL SOURCE

The Friend vol 95 (1937) p 344

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: her father is described as a draper
- 2 For marriage and children see WALLIS, Robert (1850-1925)
- 3 See entry for WALLIS, Robert (1850-1925)
- 4 Digest of Deaths: she is described as the widow of Robert

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

WALLIS, William Alfred (1860-1934)

William Alfred Wallis, the son of Arthur Wallis (1830-1900 qv) and his wife Charlotte (born Sterry, 1829-1912 qv) of Wote Street, Basingstoke in Hampshire, was born there on 27 July 1860(1).

He married Bertha and there was apparently a daughter, Rosalind Mary(2). He was clerk to Alton, Southampton & Poole Monthly Meeting from 1886 to 1898 and clerk to Basingstoke Preparative Meeting from 1902 to 1918; after the laying down of Basingstoke Preparative Meeting in the latter year, he was applied to for access to the Meeting House until 1935(3).

~~The date of his death is not at present (1982) traced(4).~~

He died "at his residence, The Retreat, Monk Sherborne, near Basingstoke" on 5 December 1934, aged 74 years (4)

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Digest of Births: his father is described as an ironfounder
- 2 Sussex, Surrey & Hants QM printed lists of members, 1902, Basingstoke Meeting: the marriage is not traced in the Digest of Marriages and no children are traced in the Digest of Births
- 3 Index of Clerks, Friends House Library and Sussex, Surrey & Hants QM printed lists of members, Basingstoke PM, 1920
- 4 ~~His death is not traced in the Digest of Deaths or in The Friend 1950-1959~~
- 4 The Friend vol 92 (1934) p 1188

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

WALLIS, Zachariah (1683?-1726)

Zachariah Wallis, the son of James and Mary Wallis of Rickmansworth in Hertfordshire, was born about the year 1683(1).

He was a writing master at High Wycombe in Buckinghamshire(2) and was married in 1715 to Hannah Stirredge (born Lane, 1684-1763 qv), the widow of James Stirredge (1667/8-1712/3 qv) of Hemel Hempstead(3); there were three children(4). After his marriage he apparently moved to Hemel Hempstead in Hertfordshire(5).

Zachariah Wallis of Hempstead died on 18.vi.[August] 1726, at the age of forty three(6).

REFERENCES AND NOTES

- 1 Aged 43 at death. His birth is not traced in Beds & Herts QM Births Digest
- 2 He is so described in his marriage entry, note 3
- 3 The wedding was at Hemel Hempstead on 13.vii.[September] 1715: he is described as a writing master of High Wycombe in Buckinghamshire, the son of James and Mary Wallis of Rickmansworth in Hertfordshire; she is described as a widow, the relict of James Stirredge of Hemel Hempstead in Hertfordshire (Beds & Herts QM Marriages Digest)
- 4 Listed in Beds & Herts QM Births Digest as follows:-

Mary	b 1 vi [Aug] 1716
Hannah	b 24 xi 1717 [i.e. Jan 1717/8]
Zachariah	b 24 ii [April] 1720

No marriages are traced for these children in Beds & Herts QM Marriages Digest
- 5 All his children were born at Hempstead
- 6 Beds & Herts 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