A BOOK OF DREAMS AND VISIONS

The publication of "A Quaker Saint of Cornwall" has aroused so much interest in Loveday Hambly and Friends in the Duchy and their sufferings that arrangements are being made for the printing of further information respecting these as a Supplement to the JOURNAL F.H.S. See inset in this issue.

George William Knowles, of Croydon, is preparing for the Publications of the Grotius Society a historical essay (with numerous extracts from original sources and an extensive bibliography) on the Peace Testimony of Friends, entitled : *Quakers and Peace*.

Richmond P. Miller, of Swarthmore College, Pa., has in preparation a study of some of the social ideals of Quakerism that were put into practice in Pennsylvania from the time of its settlement until 1756. This is in preparation for his doctoral thesis to be presented at Harvard University. Publication is not expected till next summer.

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A folio manuscript, which might be titled "A Book of Dreams and Visions," has recently been on loan from Thomas Reed Dyne, of Grays, Essex. The incursions into dream-land were made by MARY RICKABY,^I in Devonshire House, 1757; by "E. M.", who saw "a Woman Friend plainly dressed in a green apron, among the miserables" passed beyond the earth-life, "for unfaithfulness and disobedience"; by "M. FOOTH [? Firth], a Quaker, near Heckmondwike, in the parish of Birstall, in Yorkshire, whose dream was said to have been taken down by the priest of the parish"; by HESTER MOXHAM,² of Melksham, 1762; by JOHN ADAM,³ of Yorkshire, 1712, with reference to his visit to Holland; by THOMAS SAY,⁴ who refers to "a negro man named Cuffey," whom he saw, in his trance, depart this life; by SAMUEL FOTHERGILL, related to some Friends at Wotton under Edge, in 1760; by JOHN KING,⁵ after his return from Ireland; and by a woman in the city of Cork, 1785, a copy of which was made by Joseph Williams, Jr., for Rebecca Jones.

In addition we find an account of the marriage of MARY PEISLEY with Samuel Neale in 1757 and of her death three days later; various references to Samuel Fothergill; dying expressions of JOHN WOOLMAN, 1772, WILLIAM TAYLOR,⁶ of Manchester, 1749/50; and Samuel Fothergill.

There are letters from REBECCA GRELLET to Samuel Emlen, Junr., c. 1808; MARTHA ROUTH to her brother and sister, 1782, recording a visit from Robert Valentine ("advanced in years and rather feeble in body") and the death by drowning of her nephew (adopted son) Tommy; REBECCA JONES to Esther Tuke, written on the Atlantic, "sitting on Ann Warder's sofa with the paper on my knees and inkstand in my hand," 1788; MARY ANNE DEANE? to her parents, relating the

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visit of the Emperor Alexander and his sister, 1814; re STEPHEN GRELLET and Kothen, the Swede; and SAMUEL FOTHERGILL and Admiral Tyrrell⁸ at Scarborough.

The book also contains copies of addresses to the Throne; an acrostic on WILLIAM TOMLINSON,⁹ by Thomas Theobald, Junr.; accounts of PETER GARDINER,¹⁰ 1694, and of THOMAS HOLME; Reflections on the Death of JOB SCOTT, 1793, addressed to D. M., Uxbridge, I mo. 1794; the DICKINSON-FEARON¹¹ episode; THOMAS CLARKSON'S Interview with the Emperor of Russia, 1815; an extract relating to JOHN CAMM and JOHN AUDLAND, entitled Ancient Simplicity;¹² "Poem composed by JOSEPH RULE¹³ on his Retired Life, in a hermit-like Manner in the Mountains, Woods and Bushes in Wales."

NOTES

¹ MARY RICKABY was probably of the Cumberland family. She was a Minister and visited Ireland in 1742, when she is said to be of Yorkshire.

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² HESTER MOXHAM'S dream is printed in *The Irish Friend*, iii. 58. In Smith's *Catalogue* the date is given 30 x. 1776.

³ JOHN ADAM (c. 1674-1731) lived in the Holderness district of Yorkshire. "He seemed a very plain innocent man." He travelled in Scotland, Ireland and Holland. For his visions see xi. 74ff.

x. xii.: Testimonies, 1760.

⁴ THOMAS SAY was born in 1709. There is a rare, little volume in **D** giving a sketch of his life and writings, compiled by his son, Dr. Benjamin Say and published in Philadelphia in 1796. For review see xv. 114.

⁵ JOHN KING, of Cheshire, was in Ireland in 1733.

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⁶ WILLIAM TAYLOR was the husband of that noted, ancient Friend, Sarah Taylor (1717-1791). It was a very brief married life. He visited Scotland in 1737 and Ireland in 1741.

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⁷ MARY ANN DEANE was a daughter of Joseph Deane of London. She was probably a governess in the house of Nathaniel Rickman. The letter appears in *The Friend* (Lond.), 1861; *The Time of Her Life*, by Maude Robinson, 1919; *My Ancestors*, by Norman Penney, 1920, correcting p. 100 by p. 236.

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⁸ The interview between Samuel Fothergill and Admiral Tyrrell was printed at Salisbury about 1803. They met at Scarborough and spoke on the subject of peace and war.

9 Probably William Tomlinson (1726-1805) of Ratcliff, London. xvi.

¹⁰ Peter Gardner's visit to Scotland is recorded in John Churchman's *Journal*; Jaffray's *Diary*; and elsewhere.

vii. xii.; Smith, Cata. 1. 831.

¹¹ A list of books in which the Dickinson-Fearon episode may be read appears xiv. 190. This extraordinary story of adventure and escape should appear in THE JOURNAL in collated form.

¹² "Ancient Simplicity" was printed viii. 93.

¹³ For Joseph Rule, "the Quaker in White," see vols. ii. xi. xii.