

Notes and Queries.

OBITUARIES.—Sir Richard Tange, Knight, died on the 14th of Tenth Month last, aged seventy-two. There is an obituary notice of him, with portrait, in *The Friend* (Lond.) for 26th October. Sir Richard was much interested in the history of Friends, and was always a Friend at heart though never actually in membership with the Society. He made numerous valuable presentations to D., of his own writings and of books from his library.

Frederick J. Gibbins, of Neath, South Wales, corresponded for many years with D. on matters specially relating to Friends in South Wales, on which subject he was an acknowledged authority. His willingly rendered assistance will be greatly missed. He died somewhat suddenly at his residence, Gilfach House, on the 3rd of Second Month, aged seventy-four.

Benjamin Winstone, M.D., of 53, Russell Square, London, and Epping, Essex, was a birthright member, but he lost his membership on his marriage. He, however, retained a warm interest in Friends, and was a not infrequent visitor at Devonshire House. His decease took place on the 1st of Second Month, at the age of eighty seven.

HOOTON AND KAY FAMILIES.—In the old Hooton Bible is the marriage of John Hooton to Sarah Kay, the daughter of Thomas and Sarah Kay, at Wigton, Cumber-

land, in April, 1737. John Hooton was born in New Jersey, but went to England for his wife, Sarah Kay. Now this great grandfather of mine was in sympathy with the Mother Country (England) during the Revolution, and, though a Friend, fought for his King; he was exiled at the conclusion of the war, and his property in New Jersey confiscated. Therefore I feel sure this Kay great grandmother was a woman of character, who influenced her son greatly. I desire to know more of the Kay family and if any members of it survive.

The other Hootons in New Jersey were loyal, and to this day their descendants hold the land near Burlington and Evesham, which was bought from the Indians. — KATE BLACKISTON STILLÉ, 48, Washington Street, Cumberland, Md., U.S.A.

TYBURN, NEAR YORK (iv. 34).—Referring to my notes on the subject of the "Quaker Highwayman," it has been pointed out to me that it is hardly correct to say that there is no such place as "Tyburn, near York." The York Tyburn was a spot on Knavesmire Stray, opposite the gate on to Hob Moor, where a gallows stood from 1379 to 1802. The site of the Tyburn is indicated on the Ordnance Map, and during the four centuries the gallows stood here hundreds of criminals were executed, respecting whom the common entry in the local record runs:—"Executed

at the Tyburn without Micklegate Bar." The Roman Catholics still hold an annual celebration on the site of the old Tyburn, commemorative of those of their faith who have suffered there.—ALBERT G. LINNEY, Ackworth School, Pontefract.

BLIND HOUSE (i. 92; ii. 2).—In the supplementary volume to Wheatley's *Diary of Samuel Pepys* (1899) occurs a note to this term. The Diarist uses the term for a place which is dark and obscure, out of the way, September 26, 1666, Oct. 15, 1661, Nov. 15, 1664.

POOLE FAMILY.—The Pooles of County of Wexford, with whom I am closely connected, trace their descent from Thomas Poole, of *Dartrope*, in Northamptonshire, and Dorothy (*née* White), of *Polsile* in Staffordshire. They came to Ireland in 1649. Could any friend help me as to the locality of *Dartrope* and *Polsile*? They are not marked on any map to which I have had access. These words may represent the names of places then or now very differently spelled.—ALFRED WEBB, Rathgar, Dublin.

The nearest name that I can trace is *Darlsote*, or *Dalscote*, a village about a quarter of a mile east of Eastcote. It is near Bugbrook and Greens-Norton, where Friends have resided.—ARTHUR F. GRAVELY, Wellingborough.

There is no place named *Polsile* in Staffordshire. Probably Pelsall is represented, the old forms of which were *Peolshale* and *Peleshale*, but there has been no family of White settled at Pelsall

since the Conquest; at all events there is no trace of them there, and probably we have seen all the existing deeds relating to lands in Pelsall.—W. H. DUIGNAN, Gorway, Walsall, per Arthur Godlee, of Birmingham.

THE WILL OF JOHN ROUS.—This is the last Will and Testament of me John Rous of Kingston upon Thames in the County of Surrey Merchant made and declared the six and twentieth day of October Anno Dni one thousand Six hundred ninety two And in the fourth yeare of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord and Lady William and Mary by the grace of God King and Queene of England Scotland France and Ireland &c

Imprimis I doe hereby ratify and Confirme unto Margaret¹ my now wife for her life All that Annuity Rent charge or payment of four hundred pounds per Annum which was heretofore settled and secured unto and upon her for her life for her joynture and in Lieu and Satisfacōn of her dower by my father Thomas Rouse² decēd and by him charged upon all his estate both reall and personall in the parish of Phillips or else where in the Island of Barbadoes by Indenture Tripartite beareing date the fourteenth day of November in the fourteenth yeare of the Reigne of Charles the second late King of England³ and made or

¹ Eldest daughter of Judge and Margaret Fell. John and Margaret Rous were married at Swarthmoor Hall 29 xi. 1661.

These notes are supplied by Emma C. Abraham.

² A Lieut. Colonel in the army.

³ Dated from the death of Charles I.

mençoned to be made between the said Thomas Rous by the name of Thomas Rouse the elder of the parish of Phillipps in the Island of Barbadoes Esquire of the first parte Margaret Fell of Swarthmore in the County of Lancaster the widow and Relict of Thomas Fell late of Swarthmore aforesaid Esq^r deceased of the second parte And me the said John Rous by the name of John Rous the elder sonn and heire apparent of the said Thomas Rous and Margaret his wife the elder daughter of the said Thomas Fell and the aforesaid Margaret of the third parte

Item I give and bequeath unto Margaret my wife All that my messuage or tenement wherein I now dwell with all Outhouses edificies buildings gardens Orchards lands and meadow ground thereunto belonging with their appurtenances scituate lying and being in Kingston aforesaid And the reasonable use of all my household goods and furniture that shall be therein at the time of my decease To have and to hold the same to her and her assignes dureing her widdowhood And from and after her next marriage or death which shall first happen I doe give and bequeath the same unto my only sonn Nathaniell Rous and the Heires of his body lawfully to be begotten And for want of such issue to my daughters Bethiah English and Anne Rous and the heires of their bodyes lawfully to bee begotten and to the Heires of the body of the survivour of them And for want of such issue to the right Heires of me the said John Rous for ever

Item I will that my Sonn in Law David English husband of

my eldest daughter Bethiah shall receive have and enjoy out of the rents issues and proffitts of all and singular my plantaçon and Lands in the parish of Phillipps in the Iseland of Barbadoes the summe of five hundred pounds of lawfull money of England on the thirteenth day of October which shall be in the yeare of our Lord One thousand six hundred ninety and four in case my said daughter Bethiah or any child or children of her body lawfully issueing shall be then liveing pursuant to and in full discharge of a note which I have to him already given And for and in full satisfaçon and discharge of her marriage porçon but in case my said daughter Bethiah shall happen to dye before the said five hundred pounds shall become payable as aforesaid haveing no child or children of her body lawfully issueing her surviveing Then I will that the said five hundred pounds soe payable to the said David English as aforesaid shall be paid unto my daughter Ann Rous as a further augmentaçon of her porçon hereinafter mençoned

Item I will that my youngest daughter Anne Rous[†] shall have and enjoy out of my plantaçon and Estate in the parish of Phillipps or else where in the said Island of Barbadoes the summe of one thousand pounds of lawfull money of England to be paid to her in manner following (that is to say) five hundred pounds thereof on the day of her marriage and the other five hundred pounds within two yeares then next en-

[†] She married, as second wife, Benjamin Dykes, or Dix, and died s. p.

sueing but if my said daughter shall marry without or against her mothers consent she being then alive then and in such case I give to my said daughter Anne the summe of five hundred pounds only And the said summe of one thousand pounds aforemençoned shall goe to my sonn Nathaniell my Executor hereafter named

Item I give and bequeath unto my said daughter Anne one Annuity or yearly rent charge of fifty pounds of lawfull money of England to be issueing and goeing yearly out of all my Estate both reall and personall lyeing and being in the said parish of Phillipps or else where in the said Island of Barbadoes to have hold and yearly receive and take the said Annuity or yearely rent charge of fifty pounds to the said Anne Rous and her assignes dureing so long time only as she shall be sole and unmarried for and towards her maintenance to be paid or payable yearly at the Feast of the Annunçiaçon of the blessed Virgin Mary and St Michaell the Arch Angell by even and equall porçons the first payment thereof to begin and to be made at such of the aforesaid Feasts dayes as shall next happen after my decease And if it shall happen either of the said summes of five hundred pounds and one thousand pounds or the said yearly rent of fifty pounds or any parte thereof to be behind or unpaid in parte or in all by the space of Sixty dayes next after any of the said dayes of payment or times limitted for payment thereof and Feast dayes whereon the same respectively ought to be paid as aforesaid and that then and from thenceforth it shall and may be

lawfull to and for the said David English his Executors and Admōrs and the said Ann Rous and her assignes respectively unto whome such summe and summes of money or rent shall be due and in arreare into all my Estate both reall and personall in the parish of Phillipps or else where in the Island of Barbadoes and into every part and parcell thereof to enter and distraine and the distresse and distresses then and there found and taken to carry away impound and keep untill the said summes of money and rent soe unpaid and all arreares thereof shall be truely satisfyed and paid according to the true intent and meaneing of this my Will

And my further will and mind is that if the distresse or distresses soe taken be not redeemed within the space of forty dayes then next ensueing by payment of the said summe and summes of money and rent then due unto my said daughter Anne that then and in such case it shall and may be lawfull unto and for my said Sonne in Law David English his Executors and Assignes and my said daughter Anne and her assignes respectively from time to time to make sale and dispose of all such goods chattells or cattle soe distrained and kept to any person or persons whatsoever and the money thereby ariseing after such summe and summes of money rent and arreares thereof shall be first defaulted paid and deducted to my said sonn in Law and daughter or either of them who shall make such distresse then the overplus thereof (if any be) over and above the charges of takeing and keeping the said distresses to be and

returne to the Owners of such goods chattells or cattle or other things soe distrained as afore said

Provided alwayes and my will is that if my said Son in Law David English and my said daughter Anne shall receive their respective Legacies that upon their severall and respective receipt thereof they shall respectively give bond to my Executor hereafter named for their severall and respective repayment of two hundred and fifty pounds apeice in case any utter losse shall happen to my said plantaçon in Barbadoes within five yeares after their respective receipt of their respective Legacy and Legacyes

To be concluded.

PIM FAMILY. — John Pim, Bonaven, Antrim Road, Belfast, has a full pedigree of the Pim family.

KING'S BRIEFS (iii. 106).—Mr. Joel Cadbury, in his interesting note on Briefs issued by authority, makes no mention of an important fact which is I think worth record in THE JOURNAL. Briefs were addressed, after the Restoration, not only to "the people called Quakers" as well as to Church congregations and dissenting meetings, but the distressed Friends had their own needs from time to time brought before those to whom Briefs were addressed, and I doubt not met with sympathetic response. In proof of this I may mention that in 1733-4 a Brief was read in the Churches on behalf of "Vincent Weyman, a Quaker, who suffered a loss estimated at £1,215 by a Fire at Cottenham, Cambs." An inhabitant of this parish (Rampton), named Williams,

who had the misfortune to suffer a similar loss by fire in 1670, and was relieved by a Brief, was, I believe, also a Quaker. ⁵

On the other hand, it should be said that losses other than those directly personal were hardly regarded in a like spirit. The proceedings of the Monthly Meeting of the Exeter Society of Friends (1729) witness to the fact that "two briefs for building or rebuilding two steeple-houses being offer'd to this Meeting, they are returned with 'nothing collected' writ upon them; but a *nil* return was by no means uncommon, even in ordinary cases."—C. H. EVELYN WHITE, Rampton Rectory, Cambridge.

CHURCH SCOT.—In the Kent Q.M. MSS. in D. (i. 6), we read: "Henry Wicken, of Sutton Ual-lance, cast into Maidstone Gaol, by A Bishops Writt, for denying to pay Church scott, w^{ch} neuer was his right to pay, as not beeing in dealeings; howeuer hee was Attached, & Carryed prissoner to Maidstone, whilst his brother James was prisn in Canterbury Goal for y^e same Cause; & in Maidstone Gaol was y^e said Henry kept, till y^e 13th 11th mo, 1664, when hee there Laid down his Life in bonds." What is Church Scot?

⁵ Mr. Williams was followed in his occupation by a Quaker family named Rule, that resided in Rampton some years, and was noted for recusancy, being repeatedly fined. I should be much obliged if some friend would give me any information in regard either to the Williams or Rule family. Rampton, it may be said, adjoins Cottenham, and is within a short distance of Earith, Haddenham, &c.