

“Arm! arm!” he got up out of bed, and appeared early at Whitehall in order to clear himself and his friends from complicity with the revolutionists. Nevertheless the Government made a handle of the insurrection whereby to open the door to further persecution of the Quakers.

SIR EDWARD NICHOLAS.

“Secretary Nicholas” is mentioned several times in *The Diary*. He was Secretary of State to Charles I. and Charles II., but dismissed from his office in 1663. He died in 1669, aged seventy-seven.

He signed an order for George Fox’s release from Lancaster Jail in 1660.

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Folkestone Quakers, 1758.

Extract from Rev. William Langhorne’s Report of the parish to Archbishop Secker. See MS., Lambeth Palace Library :—

“There are twenty-four families of Quakers in the parish; but their number is lessened of late years, chiefly by means of Intermarriages with those of the Established Church. They are not so industrious to make Proselytes as others are. They meet on Sundays and Thursdays in a licensed Meeting House. By means of an affable behaviour and gentle treatment, I live upon good terms with all the Sectaries in my parish.

“The Tythes, both great and small, belong to your Grace, and the little the Quakers pay is levied by Distress by the Lessee’s Tenant; but there is no lawsuit about or loss of any part of them.”

A useful compendium of events relating to Friends in the city of Worcester, Eng., is to be found in *Worcester Sects*, London, 1861, pp. 191-296.