

“The Adventures of John the Quaker.”¹

The following is extracted from *The Life of Sir Dudley North*, 1744, p. 115 :—

When our Merchant [Sir Dudley North] went first up to Constantinople, the Lord Winchelsea was our Ambassador there. He was a jolly Lord, and extremely favoured by the good Vizier Cuperli, who advised him often to live after his way, that is, as a Man of Pleasure, merrily ; and not trouble himself with business, which, upon Application by his Dragomen, should be done to his Hand ; and having a goodly person and mustachios, with a World of Talk, and that all (as his Way was) of mighty Wonders, the Vizier delighted in his Company. In this Time, one John, a Quaker, went on a sort of Pilgrimage to Constantinople, for converting the great Turk ; and the first Scene of his Action was standing up in a Corner of a Street, and preaching to the People. They stared at him, and concluding him out of his Wits, he was taken and carried to the Mad-house ; there he lay six Months. At last, some of the Keepers heard him speak the word *English*, and told it so as it came to the Ambassador's Ear, that he had a subject in the Mad-house, his Lordship sent and had him to his House. The Fellow stood before the Ambassador with a ragged dirty Hat on, and would not put it off, tho' he was so charged, and admonished ; thereupon the Ambassador ordered him down, and had him drub'd upon the Feet, after the Turkish Manner ; then he was any Thing, and would do any Thing ; and afterwards did own that that Drubbing had a great Effect upon his Spirit ; upon searching him, there was found in his Pouch, among a few Beans, a Letter to the Grand Signor, very long, and canting ; but the Substance was, to let him know, that he was the Scourge in God's Hand, with which he chastised the wicked Christians ; and now their Wickedness was so great, that God by the Spirit had sent him, to let

¹ Joseph Smith, in his *Catalogue of Friends' Books*, ii. 50, referring to the *Life of North*, states that “John the Quaker” is “said to be John Kelsey.” It is more probable that John Perrot is referred to, though it is not known that Perrot was in Constantinople. The latter frequently styled himself “John.”

him know, that he must come forthwith to scourge them. He was sent for England, but got off by the Way, and came up a second Time to Constantinople; from whence he was more surely conveyed; and some, that knew John, told Sir Dudley North they had seen him on the Exchange, where he recognised the admirable Virtue of Turkish Drubbing.

Friends in Current Literature.

Amos and Elizabeth S. Satterthwaite worked together for some time on a *Genealogy of the Satterthwaite Family*, descended from William Satterthwaite, who settled in Bucks County, Pa., in 1734, with some Account of his Ancestors in England, but before the fruitage of their labours became apparent in the publication of the volume, Amos Satterthwaite passed away. He died 23rd of Fifth Month, 1910—"a consistent and conscientious Friend in its every sense, the courage to live up to his convictions, willing to lend a helping hand whenever it was needed, doing kindly acts unostentatiously and leaving them to be found out by accident" (introductory note). This *Genealogy* records descendants to the seventh generation, and is illustrated by views of Hawkshead, Lancs., in the neighbourhood of the Satterthwaite home, and of the ancestral residence itself, also of Meeting Houses at Middletown, and the Falls, Pa., and some Satterthwaite residences. There are also portraits of the compilers of the book. Several of the name Satterthwaite (originally Setrthwaite—settlement in the clearing) joined Friends in the time of George Fox. The volume can still be obtained from Mary S. Taylor, Langhorne, Pa., for five dollars.

A paper by E. Vipont Brown, M.D., of Manchester, entitled *The Medical Aspects of the Temperance Question*, has been recently published by the Manchester Primitive Methodist Temperance Council (27, Oscar Street, Moston, Manchester).

Albert J. and Gulielma Crosfield, with the assistance of other Friends, have written a delightful biography of Dr. William Wilson (1857-1909), *A Man in Shining Armour: the Story of the Life of William Wilson, M.R.C.S., and L.R.C.P., Missionary in Madagascar, Secretary of the Friends' Foreign Mission Association* (London: Headley, 7½ by 5¼, pp. 278, illustrations, 3s. 6d. net).

A second edition of *Jordans*, by Anna L. Littleboy, has recently appeared (London: Headley, pp. 26, seven illustrations and large map, 6d. net).