

When on the Nile in 1909 I met a great-grandson of Thomas Shillitoe (since deceased). I repeated to him the version I had heard, viz., that the Archbishop of Canterbury, approaching the King, informed him that his end was near, and that he wished to offer the consolations of the Church. The King's reply was, "Send for that little Quaker, he is the only one who ever told me the Truth." Mr. Shillitoe said he heard a similar account, and that this interview was a most treasured memory in the family. I regret that I had no opportunity of submitting the above account to Mr. Shillitoe, prior to his death in 1912.

I have since seen his brother, Dr. Arthur Shillitoe, who lives in Old Jewry, and who tells me that so far as he knows the family have no definite information on the subject, and that his father, who is eighty-eight, is too old to be asked about it.

Mary S. Whiting writes me that her father, the late John Whiting, of Leeds (whose mother was T. S.'s daughter), was present when T. S. heard of George IV.'s death, and that he walked up and down the room at Hitchin, where he lived, in an agony of grief.

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## Patriotism

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It is well to remember, especially at such a time as this, that they also serve who only stand and wait, and that a member, say, of the "Religious Society of Friends" may be as good a patriot as an Admiral or a Field Marshal.

R. M. LEONARD, Prefatory Note to *Patriotic Poems*, Oxford University Press, 1914.

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BAPTISMS.—At Stradishall, co. Suffolk. 1706/7 Mar. 19. Robert, an adult son of John Stammers, Quaker, bapt.

1707. Oct. 5. Thomas and Mary, an adult son and daughter of John Stammers, bapt.