

# Notices Relating to Friends in "The Gentleman's Magazine," 1762 to 1779<sup>1</sup>

1762

MARRIED, 31 January, "Mr. Peckover of Wells, to Miss Grace Wright, at the Quakers' meeting at Norwich" (p. 93).

DIED, 17 August, "Mr. Elliot, an underwriter in Bartholomew Lane" (p. 391).

DIED, 16 September, "Richard Mead, Esq., son of late Dr. Mead" (p. 448).

MARRIED, 14 October, "Mr. Fraeme, banker in Lombard-street, to Miss Dickinson, of Monks, Wiltshire" (p. 503).

ADDRESS, 1 Oct., "This day the Quakers' address was presented to his majesty, and read by Dr. Fothergill, as follows:"— $\frac{1}{2}$  a column, on the birth of the Prince of Wales (pp. 499, 500).

1763

DIED, 16 May, "Mr. Goring, a quaker at Chertsey, aged 102" (p. 257).

DIED, 16 May, "Mr. Samuel Arnold, late of Gracechurch-street, merchant, aged 88, he was interred at Stock, in Essex, to which place he had retired from business with great reputation" (p. 257).

DIED, 19 May, "Mr. Thomas Hyam, late a merchant of this city, aged 84; He was governor of the lead mine company, and procured an act of parliament to enable trustees to sell the lands of the Pennsylvania land company, and with indefatigable pains and application brought the affairs of that company, which had long lain in the utmost confusion, into order, for which he deserved and received the prayers of many widows and

<sup>1</sup> For extracts from years 1731 to 1761 see pages 25 to 36. Above extracts are given as printed; no attempt has been made to verify all entries.

orphans, who were deeply interested in them. These lands have been since sold, and the money divided amongst the proprietors, who have proved their shares, and the value of the shares that are unclaimed is applied to the support of a publick work" (pp. 257, 258).

QUAKERS' MEETING, Sunday, 4 Sept., "The septennial meeting of the Quakers of seven counties was held at Stratford-upon-Avon, when near 6,000 of that people assembled, of whom near 50 couple were publicly married" <sup>2</sup> (p. 462).

1764

DIED, 8 February, "Ben Vigor, Esq., at Kensington gravel-pits" [Query of Quaker family] (p. 97).

MARRIED, 1 August, "Ambrose Rigg, Esq., to Miss Hone of St. James Place" (p. 397).

DIED, 28 August, "At Clapham, in a very advanced age, Sir John Barnard, Knt., sometime father of this city. He served the office of Lord Mayor in the year 1737, represented this city in six parliaments with great honour to himself, and with the highest approbation of his constituents; and was ever justly rever'd and esteem'd as a gentleman of consummate abilities, and inviolable integrity" (p. 399).

BIRTH, 21 December, "Lady Juliana Penn, of a daughter" (p. 602).

LETTER FROM MR. POPE to the Duchess of Hamilton. "London, Oct. the — between day and night. The writer drunk." "Madam, Mrs. Whitworth [Whitrow]

<sup>2</sup> This refers to the Circular Yearly Meetings of which many were held in different districts during the eighteenth century. Seven Western Counties united for this purpose—Cornwall, Devon, Gloucester, Hereford, Somerset, and Worcester, at one period Wilts and later Warwick. Very large companies of the inhabitants attended and in time the crowds became unmanageable, many coming for no better purpose than drunkenness and revelling. The chronicler above has made the mistake of attributing to Friends the number and actions of the crowd [Ed].

Similar meetings held *annually* at Stanbury, near Keighley, Yorks, are thus described by Rev. William Grimshaw (1708-1763, see *D.N.B.*), Vicar of Haworth, in a letter to Friends in 1749: "There are, you know, great numbers of carnal, careless people, young and old, who under pretence of coming to hear you, make no more of it than a mere rendezvous of vanity and wickedness; drunkenness, cursing, swearing, fighting, revelling, etc., abound; and this with many, not only the remainder of the day, but commonly all the night, and most of the day following, if not longer" *The Irish Friend*, iv. 94 (1841); *The Friend* (Lond.) iii. 53 (1845).

(who, as her epitaph on Twittenham highway assures us, had attained to as much perfection and purity as any since the apostles) is now deposited, according to her own order, between a fig-tree and a vine, there to be found out at the last resurrection" (p. 563). This was the celebrated Quaker Joan Whitrow.

1765

QUAKERESSES SEE THE KING, 4 July, "Seven female quakers, very neatly dressed, being desirous of seeing their Majesties come to court, were admitted into the royal apartments; where her Majesty was so condescending as to order the lady in waiting to compliment each of them; which they returned in a very sensible and modest manner" (p. 344).

MARRIED, 12 February, "Sir John Bridger of Combe, Sussex, to Miss Elliott of Grosvenor-square" (p. 97).

1766

DIED, 8 January, "Rev. Dr. Birch, R[ector] of St. Margaret Pattens, and F.R.S., by a fall from his horse as he was taking an airing on the Hampstead road" (p. 47).

DIED, 20 February, "Mr. James Barclay, banker, Lombard-str[ee]t" (p. 104).

MARRIED, 8 March, "Silvanus Grove of St. Martin's-lane, Esq., to Miss Louisa Hillersden" (p. 151).

DIED, 10 June, "Miss Louisa Penn, in Spring-gardens." (p. 295).

MARRIED, 31 May, "John Penn, Esq., Lieut. Gov. of Pensylvania, to the eldest daughter of the Hon. Wm. Allen, Esq." (p. 342).

DIED, 30 October, "James Osgood, Esq., in Burlington Gardens" (p. 551).

DIED, 9 November, "Mr. Freame, banker, in Lombard-street" (p. 551).

PETER COLLINSON; an account of the introduction of Rice and Tar into the Colonies (pp. 278, 279).

QUAKERS, THEIR ANNUAL REPORTS [not found].

1767

DIED, 29 April, "Mrs. Candy [Candia] Corbyn, at Worcester, aged 98, an eminent speaker among the quakers" (p. 279).

MARRIED, 15 October, "Mr. David Barclay, of London, to Miss Rachael Lloyd of Birmingham, quakers" (p. 523).

1768

DIED, [7] April, "Eliz. Greenhill, of Tottenham high cross. In her youth she was celebrated in a poem called the Fair Quaker, written by Mr. Bingley"<sup>3</sup> (p. 199).

DIED *circa* April, "John Butler, of Baghurst in Hants, one of the people called quakers, and thought to be one of the strongest men in the Kingdom" (p. 199).

DIED *circa* May, "John Pickering, formerly lieut-gov. of Tortola, which he quitted and joined the people called quakers" (p. 302).

DIED, 11 August, "Peter Collinson, Esq., fellow of the Royal Society of Antiquarians, in the 75th year of his age; he was a gentleman of a most extensive correspondence in all parts of the globe, and a most useful member of society" (p. 398).

Translation of one of Voltaire's letters on the Quakers (4 columns, pp. 556-558).

1769

DIED, 18 March, "Mr. David Barclay, in the 88th year of his age. He was the only surviving son of Mr. Robert Barclay, author of the famous apology for the quakers, and had the singular honour of receiving at his house in Cheapside three successive kings, when at their accession they favoured the city with their royal presence" (p. 168).

DIED, [15] May, "Henry Fothergill, nephew to Dr. Fothergill, of London" (p. 270).

DIED, 3 June, "George Hanbury, Esq., silk merchant in Bishopsgate Street" (p. 319).

MARRIED, 20 July, "Tho. Zachary, Esq., to Miss Blackgrave" (p. 366).

MARRIED, 3 October, "Mr. Sylvanus Bevan, Banker, to Miss Wakefield of Kensington" (p. 510).

JEREMIAH DIXON, "The Length of a Degree of Latitude in the Provinces of Maryland and Pennsylvania

<sup>3</sup> *The Fair Quaker, or, the Seraphick Amours of John Bingley with a Female Friend, and his Poetical Lamentation just before his Death, to which is prefixed his Funeral Elegy.* By a Lover of Truth. London, folio, 16pp. 1715. (Inner Title has "The Fair Quakers.") In **D**.

determined from the Observations of Messrs. Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon, appointed by the Royal Society" (p. 567).

PART OF THE EPISTLE FROM THE YEARLY MEETING, signed Jeremiah Waring, clerk (2 columns, p. 218).

1770

"Some Account of the late Peter Collinson, Fellow of the Royal Society." Review of his LIFE (5 columns, pp. 177-180).

MARRIED, 31 July, "Dr. Lettsom, Great Eastcheap, to Miss Miers, Canon-street" (p. 392).

DIED, 20 November, "Wm. Osgood, Esq., Dover-street" (p. 543).

1771

DIED, [4] February, "The Hon. Rich. Penn, one of the two Proprietors of Pennsylvania" (p. 94).

DIED, "Alex. Barclay, Esq., Comptroller of his Majesty's Customs in Philadelphia" (p. 142).

DIED, 5 April, "Mr. Tho. Whitehead, aged 71, at Reading, one of the people called Quakers" (p. 191).

MARRIED, 23 May, "William Baker, Esq., one of the Sheriffs of London, to Miss Juliana Penn, daughter of [Thomas] Penn, Esq., Proprietor of Pennsylvania; with 200,000 l." (p. 238).

QUAKERS YEARLY MEETING EPISTLE, signed by William Fry (4 columns, pp. 255-257).

1772

MARRIED, 14 January, "Andrew Reeves, merchant of Bristol, to Miss Plumstead of Reading, with 50,000 l. quakers" (p. 46).

MARRIED, 24 March, "George Dance, Esq., Architect, to Miss [Mary] Gurnell [daughter of Thomas and Mary (Willett) Gurnell] of Ealing, Middlesex" (p. 198).

MARRIED, 13 July, "Mr. Samuel Alexander to Miss Eliz. Gurney, of Norwich, eminent Quakers" (p. 342).

1773

MARRIED, "John Axford, Esq., Ludgate-hill, to Mrs. Reed, Frith-street, Soho" (p. 46). [Query of the family of Isaac Axford who married Hannah Lightfoot.]

DIED, "Mr. Devereux Bowley, one of the people called Quakers. He has left by his will 6,000 l. to the



London Hospital; 6,000 l. to the Quakers charity school, Clerkenwell; 3,000 l. to St. Luke's hospital; 1,000 l. to St. Thomas's; and 500 l. to each of the Quakers Meetings in London; besides many small legacies" (p. 203).

"Character of the late Mr. Samuel Fothergill, of Warrington, an eminent Preacher among the Quakers," by "A Lover of Truth and Justice." [Extremely interesting and appreciative account] (2 columns, pp. 222, 223).

DIED, 1 July, "Mrs. Mary Brewster, one of the people called Quakers, at Brandon in Suffolk, aged 77" (p. 359).

MARRIED, 3 August, "At the Quaker's Meeting-house, Gracechurch-street, Mr. Richard Gurney, of Norwich, to Miss Agatha Barclay, of Cheapside" (p. 412).

MARRIED, 10 August, "At the Quaker's Meeting-house at Bury, Mr. Joshua Hopkins, to Miss Sally Nunn" (p. 413).

MARRIED, 6 September, "Barnard Dickinson, Esq., of Monks in Wilts, to Miss Goostrey, of Missenden-Abby, Bucks" (p. 469).

DIED, 2 September, "Jonathan Alexander, Esq., of Bury, in Suffolk" (p. 470).

QUAKERS AND TITHES. Letter addressed to "Friend Urban" from "Minehead, 27 Feb., 1773" (not all published) (p. 123).

1774

MARRIED, 22 February, "Dr. Murray, Physician, of Norfolk-street [later of Jamaica], to Miss [Mary] Wilmer, [daughter of John and Elizabeth Wilmer] of Stoke Newington" (p. 94).

MARRIED, 7 May, "Major [John] Sinclair, of the Royal Fuzileers, to Mrs. [Elizabeth] Wilmer [widow of John], of Stoke Newington" (p. 238).

MARRIED, 19 July, "James Clayton, Esq., late of Sunbury, to Miss Penn of Laleham, in Middlesex, daughter of the late Hon. Richard Penn, Esq., and sister to the Hon. John Penn, Esq., one of the proprietors of the province of Pennsylvania, with 30,000 l." (p. 333).

DIED, 29 May, "At Tottenham, Mr. Thomas Cumming. He formed the plan for taking Senegal and Goree, in the last war" (p. 287).

1775

DIED, " [Thomas] Penn, Esq., one of the proprietors of Pennsylvania " (p. 206).

Letter of F[rances] D[odshon] to the King (2 columns, pp. 275, 276).

DIED, " Mary Lunn, one of the people called Quakers. She has left 50 l. to the Quakers workhouse, Clerkenwell, 50 l. to the Quakers meeting, near Gracechurch street, and 10 l. to the poor of Wandsworth meeting " (p. 406).

DIED, 23 August, " John Foy [Fry], an eminent preacher among the Quakers " (p. 455).

1776

DIED, " Wm. Fry, a preacher among the Quakers at Bristol " (p. 240).

DIED, 26 September, " Abraham Crowley, merchant, in St. Thomas the apostle " (p. 483).

DIED, " Robert West, father of Mr. [Benjamin] West, Historical Painter. He was born at Long Crandon, Bucks, in 1690 ; in 1715, went to Pennsylvania, where he had three brothers settled, who went there with William Penn. He married and raised a family of ten children in that province, and came over in 1764 to visit his native country, and see his son, where he has continued ever since. He was one of the people called Quakers, universally esteemed " (p. 483).

AMERICAN QUAKERS' PRINCIPLES addressed to people in general, signed by John Pemberton, clerk, at Philadelphia, 20th of 1st mo., 1776 (4 columns, pp. 456-458).<sup>4</sup>

1777

QUAKERS' YEARLY MEETING EPISTLE, signed Sampson Lloyd, Junior (3 columns, pp. 270, 271).

1778

DIED, " Hon. Rd. Dawson, eldest son of Lord Dartrey, at Cambridge " (p. 141).

LETTER FROM JOHN SCOTT of AMWELL (p. 203).

1779

MARRIED, 1 December, " Hon. Tho. Dimsdale, baron of the Russian empire, to Miss Dimsdale " (p. 615).

<sup>4</sup> *The Ancient Testimony and Principles of the People called Quakers renewed with Respect to King and Government.* Three edd. in D.

November 22nd, "John Roberts and Abraham Carlisle, two Quakers, were executed at Philadelphia, being convicted, it is said, of carrying on a treasonable correspondence with the enemies of the United States" (p. 44).

LETTER OF DR. FOTHERGILL on Quaker Sufferings (2 columns, pp. 431-432).

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## The Duke of Cleveland and his Quaker Tenant

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TO THE DUKE OF CLEVELAND.

The painful situation in which I feel myself placed owing to the circumstances set forth below, will perhaps plead my apology for thus troubling thee.

I waited upon Capt. Phillips at his office some months ago on business connected with my farm, at which time he refused to transact any with me on account of my not taking off my Hat. I accordingly left him without having stated my errand.

Yesterday I sent my  $\frac{1}{2}$  yrs Rent by one of my neighbours, which was paid to Thos. Scarth after which the same person applied to Capt. Phillips for payment of the Oats supplied by me which he refused to pay unless the application was made by myself personally.

As Capt. Phillips before refused to transact any business with me except I would first take off my Hat, and as I cannot under present circumstances violate the principles of the society to which I belong by conforming to the custom of the world in this respect, I feel myself placed in a trying position. The circumstance must be peculiar in which any member of our religious body could enter into the presence of any one uncovered without violating the principles of his profession, when we are well aware that person would not allow us under *any* circumstances to enter his presence with our Hats on.

Thus placed it will be very satisfactory to me to know what are thy sentiments upon the subject, and in expressing this desire I look back with much pleasure to the kindness with which I have been treated upon all former occasions by the Authorities at Raby.

My family connexions and myself have now occupied the Farm here upwards of 60 years, and it would be painfull to me under ordinary circumstances to have to be seperated from it but I feel that I cannot sacrifice my religious principles for what may be deemed so important a consideration.

I am very respectfully,

JOSEPH HARTAS.

Raby Park,

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