

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).

JOSEPH J. GREEN.

The Duke of Cleveland and his Quaker Tenant

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,

8 mo 4 1843.

Raby Castle,
Saturday.

JOSEPH HARTAS,

In reply to your letter I can only say that I am very sorry for the circumstance which caused the dispute between you and Mr. Phillips; from what I can learn from the latter—however, it was by some mistake or some misconception that your friend by whome you sent your rent, did not receive the payment for your Oats supplied to the Castle. I have however now given directions for the amount being delivered at your house by Bell.

I can only repeat again I am sorry for what has occurred, and as I always have been, so shall I continue to be a sincere friend to toleration, by shewing an earnest desire to respect the religious and conscientious scruples of any one, be he my tenant or otherwise.

Your Well Wisher,

CLEVELAND.

[From the originals in the possession of the Misses Hartas, of Mansfield, grand-daughters of Joseph Hartas, 1915.]

East New Jersey, 1682

A valuable vellum document has been offered for sale by H. Stevens, Son, and Stiles, the well-known American booksellers, of Great Russell Street, London, and is now under the care of the Librarian of D. It contains an abstract of the title of the twelve Proprietors of East New Jersey, who purchased the Colony in 1682 from the Trustees of Sir George Carteret (d. 1680), the original grantee.¹ The purchasers were William Penn, Robert West, Thomas Rudyard, Samuel Groom, Richard Mew, Thomas Hart, Ambrose Rigge, Thomas Willcox, Hugh Hartshorne, John Heywood, Clement Plumsted and Thomas Cooper. Their signatures and seals are on separate tabs of vellum at the foot of the deed. The escutcheon of William Penn's seal is very clear. Four other heraldic seals have been used, and seven seals bear the initials "W. G." (probably William Gibson). Witnesses to the signatures of all save William Penn and Ambrose Rigge were William Gibson, Edmund Bannister and Harbert Springett. Penn and Rigge signed before Harbert Springett, J. Swinton and William Gibson. The document measures 15 by 20½ and is in very good preservation. The price asked is £125.

¹ A brief account of the transaction may be read in *Camb. Journal*, ii. 434.

Truth reigned in pure dominion and in the life of Truth were all Friends refreshed.

RICHARD HUBBERTHORNE to Margaret Fell, 1656.