

Abby Kelly for anti-slavery lecturing although they did so, ostensibly, on some frivolous charges, which had no real foundation in fact" (*E. B. Chace*, chap. xxviii., where see portrait). She married Stephen Symonds Foster, who had, apparently, also been a Friend. Of Abby Kelly Benjamin S. Jones writes :

"Miss Kelly of Lynn,
Some esteem it a sin
And a shame that thou darest to speak,
Quite forgetting that mind
Is to sex unconfined,
That in Christ is nor Gentile nor Greek,
Abby K.
That in Christ is nor Gentile nor Greek."

New England Records

The best collection of New England Quaker records, the minutes of the New England Yearly Meeting and of the Rhode Island Quarterly, are in the library of the Moses Brown School at Providence. Others may be found at the Newport Historical Society, the New Bedford Meeting House, and the Meeting House at Lynn. All have been used again and again for local and genealogical purposes, but rarely for any general study. In every case they show so close a connection between the Quakers of Massachusetts and those of England that the records of the London Yearly Meeting and the London Meeting for Sufferings are essential for a clear understanding of what the New England Quakers of the early eighteenth century were doing.

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In his efforts to protect the rights and redress the wrongs of colored people, Friend Hopper had a zealous and faithful ally in Thomas Harrison, also a member of the Society of Friends. . . . He was a lively, bustling man, with a roguish twinkle in his eye, and a humorous style of talking. Some Friends, of more quiet temperament than himself, thought he had more activity than was consistent with dignity. They reminded him that Mary sat still¹ at the feet of Jesus, while Martha was "troubled about many things."

"All that is very well," replied Thomas, "but Mary would have had a late breakfast, after all, if it had not been for Martha."

Life of Isaac T. Hopper, 1853, p. 122.

¹A transposition in the Revised Version of these two words shews the incorrectness of above exegesis, often used by Friends.