EDITORIAL

The Editor regrets the late despatch of this Journal.

In his Presidential Address David Sox explores some aspects of Quaker involvement with the natural world given the increasing urgency of safeguarding the environment and meeting the challenge of climate change.

Jonathan Harlow presents a fascinating account of the military and intelligence career of Captain George Bishop before his Quaker convincement in the early 1650's.

In the absence of relevant Quaker records Hugh Torrens demonstrates, by careful research and study of alternative sources, what can properly be established from a considerable confusion of information. He also draws attention to a lost figure in the Quaker contribution to scientific enquiry. For reader convenience the Editor has retained Hugh Torrens' referencing within the text.

The Editor welcomes articles or short items for consideration in future JOURNALS. He is willing to read drafts and advise where appropriate. He would like to include annotated Quaker historical documents, of reasonable length i.e. not too long, from contributors who have the expertise and enthusiasm to prepare them.

Contributors are advised to use the MHRA (Modern Humanities Research Association) STYLE GUIDE in the preparation of material. This is available from Subscription Department, Maney Publishing, Hudson Road, Leeds LS9 7DL (e-mail: maney@maney.co.uk) or
online at MHRA's website (www.mhra.org.uk).

The Editor's decision is final as regards publication or revision.

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