

Notes on the Family of Roger Haydock

OUR Friend, William Henry Haydock, of Dublin, has sent us for inspection a typescript of some notes written in New York in 1832, by Mary Prior (1765-1836), wife of Edmund Prior, of that city, whom she married in 1793, with other data respecting Roger Haydock's descendants.

The record begins with the two brothers, John and Roger, both Quakers, of whom many particulars are extant in **D.** and elsewhere. The eldest of the family was probably William, who became a clergyman and died Rector of Standish. (His will, dated 15th May, 1712, mentions brothers John and Robert and sister Anne Farrington, and the will of his brother Roger, mentions "my sister Elizabeth Coppock.") There was a brother Robert (1660-1737), a merchant in Liverpool, and a Henry, who died in 1688, aged thirty-three, both Friends.¹ The father appears to have been Roger Haydock of Coppull, yeoman, in regard of whom administration was granted to "William Haydock, his son and lawful heir," 15th September 1670.

John Haydock (1640-1719) suffered much for his religious convictions and died in Lancaster Jail. Hardshaw M.M. issued a Testimony in which the following sentences occur :

We could not stand acquitted before God nor man to have buried the corpse of this our worthy friend with a few short sighs, and so let his name go with him to the grave. We have raised no monument over his sepulchre, but there is one due to his worth ; his life was of sweet savour seasoned with the salt of the covenant and not to go underfoot. . . . He suffered much persecution for righteousness sake, both of tongues and hands and went through bad report as well as good . . . all of which

¹ In *Fruits of Piety*, pt. i., 1824, there is a notice of Elizabeth Haydock, of Warrington (1686-1710), daughter of Henry Haydock (c. 1655-1688), shoemaker, of Bolton in the Moors and later of Warrington and Martha Dunbabin, his wife. Martha Haydock married, in 1697, John Hobson, of Stockport.

There was an Eleanor Haydock, Junior, of Liverpool, who wrote in 1710 (printed in 1712) *A Visitation of Love . . . to the Professors of the Holy Truth.*

he bore with invincible patience till in death itself he became victor and is gone to his prepared mansion where the wicked cease from troubling and his rest is made perfect. . . .

Roger Haydock (1644-1696) was a prominent Minister and traveller. His wife, Eleanor Lowe (1649-1723), was also a travelling preacher.

Roger and Eleanor Haydock had several sons, but one only, apparently, survived,² Robert (1687-1760). He married Rebekah Griffith in 1709 and they had nine children. The eldest, Roger (1710-1735), served an apprenticeship to a linen draper in Ireland and returning home on a visit, he lost his life bathing in the Mersey in sight of his father's house.

Partly owing to this sad occurrence and partly encouraged thereto by a relative who had settled there, several of the family of Robert and Rebekah turned their faces towards the New World; and in 1743, father, mother, and six out of the eight children (Eleanor (1716-1762), Eden (1719-1776),³ Henry (1724-1798), John (1727-), Rebekah (1729-), and James (1731-)⁴—William (1712-) and Daniel (1713-) remained in Old England) sailed from Liverpool and after a long passage, arrived in the Delaware, wintered in Wilmington, settled Eden in Philadelphia, and finally reached their destination at Flushing on Long Island.

The "relative" above mentioned is described by Mary Prior as "half-sister to my grandfather [Robert Haydock the immigrant] on his mother's side. She came over as companion to a friend who performed a religious visit to friends of this continent but did not return with her, having married Samuel Bowne [1667-1745], who was an acceptable minister and son of John Bowne, the first settler of the name at Flushing."

² The will of Roger Haydock, dated 29th December, 1690, mentions his son Robert (under twenty-one) and "the rest of my children."

³ Mary Prior writes that her uncle, Eden, left a son Robert—this was perhaps the Robert Haydock mentioned in the following extract from the Diary of Samuel Mickle (1746-1830):

" 1799

" 7/18 Robert Haydock & Son Eden coppered y^e roof of y^e Clerk's office to-day." (Historical Records of the New Jersey Society of Pennsylvania.—*Notes on Old Gloucester County*, vol. i. (1917), p. 165.

⁴ There is a brief printed record of Elizabeth, wife of James Haydock, of Rahway, a Minister, born *circa* 1736, died 1763.

Samuel Bowne married Mary Becket in 1691, but the tradition that Mary Becket was companion to an English woman minister visiting America is considered "wholly untenable" (see *Bulletin of Fds. Hist. Soc. Phila.*, vols. vii. and viii.).

A few years after their settlement, Robert Haydock's wife, Rebekah, died, and later, after most of his children had married, he went to live at Rahway, N.J., with his daughter Eleanor, wife of Jacob Rotwell. In 1746, Henry Haydock, of New York (1724-1798), married Mary, eldest daughter of Robert and Margaret Bowne, of Flushing (she died 1757). H. H. married secondly, in 1759, Catherine Rodman (1731-1760), and again, in 1763, he married Hannah Moode (c. 1738-1791), the mother of Mary Prior, by whose hand much of above information has been preserved.

The narrative contains brief references to Mary (Haydock) Prior's brothers and sisters—William (*ob. inf.*), Rebecca (1766-1825), Hannah (1766-1841), Henry (1768-1827), Elizabeth Moode (1770-1798), Eleanor (1772-1795), Jane (1774-1798), and Robert (*ob. inf.*). Mary was the second child. Hannah became wife of Richard R. Lawrence of New York. The father, Henry Haydock, and his daughters Jane and Elizabeth, died during the yellow fever epidemic of 1798, within a few days of one another.

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L'avenir est aux principes Quakers.—LEON REVOYRE, Paris, 1918.

The fact that the cause is glorious does not sanctify the means.—
LUCRETIA MOTT, 1862.