

Recent Accessions to

JN addition to the unstarred literature introduced under the heading "Friends and Current Literature," the following items have been added to **D** during the last few months :

A rare little volume has been presented to **D** by Allen C. Thomas, of Haverford, Pa.—*A Short Compilation of the extraordinary Life and Writings of Thomas Say, in which is faithfully copied, from the original Manuscript, the uncommon Vision which he had when a young Man*, by his son, Philadelphia, 1796, pp. 32 + 151.

Thomas Say was born in 1709. "His mother was a daughter of Thomas Paschall, by Johanna, late Sloper, of the city of Bristol, in Old England, who married William Say at Friends meeting-house, in the city of Philadelphia, 1693. His grandfather and his mother came from England with William Penn, and his father dying when he was five years old, his mother, after being a widow for a reasonable time, how long I know not, married Benjamin Paschall, so that she became twice Paschall" (pp. 6-8).

As his stepfather and an uncle Robinson belonged to the Episcopal Church, Thomas appears to have been brought up in that way, but the Quakerism of his own parents was inherited and he often attended Friends' meeting; and, as a young man, was united to the Society. He was apprenticed to William Robinson to learn the trade of saddler and harness-maker, which business he followed with diligence and success. Among his many activities may be mentioned his care of orphan children and support of schools for white and coloured; he was a member of a committee to look after French neutrals, refugees from Nova Scotia, c. 1757. He had a natural talent for medicine and was remarkably successful in various cures, "frequently administering medical, pecuniary and religious aid to the poor and distressed."

In 1734, Say married Susannah Catharine Sprogel, and at her death "he was left with four young children, having previously buried as many." In 1753, he married, at Mount Holly, N.J., Rebecca, widow of Thomas Budd (her maiden name Atkinson), and had two more children. Rebecca Say predeceased her husband about ten months. "He lived to witness the interment of both his wives and also all of his children but one." The survivor was Dr. Benjamin Say, the author of this little book.

There is but slight reference in the memoir to Thomas Say's connection with Friends; and his Writings, which occupy 150 pages, do not bear much resemblance to those usually emanating from Friends. We do not find anything "extraordinary" in either his life or writings.

It is curious that though educated with the precision required in a doctor, the author does not give the date of his father's death, nor the christian name of his mother. This was, perhaps, Mary—"Mary Say" signed a wedding certificate in Philadelphia, 9 vii. 1708 ("Publ. Gene. Soc. Pa." ii. 65); William Say and Mary Guest "passed meeting" Philadelphia,

1690 (*ibid.* ii. 170) and William Say and Mary Paschall, 1698-9 (*ibid.* iv. 242). The signatures of Thomas Say (1761) and of Rebecca Say (1779) are appended to documents in D.

In the "Bulletin F.H.S. of Phila." for Fifth Month, 1915 (vi. 64), there appeared extracts from a letter of Thomas Say, dated 6 v. 1794, giving a description of the ravages of the Yellow Fever. Part of the letter is remarkably applicable to the present world-conditions. In the letter occurs this melancholy paragraph :

" My son Doct^r Say, after having attended a vast number of the Sick, was taken with the disorder himself, and was reduced so low that his life was dispaired of, but it pleased the Lord to restore him again, but his dear Wife and lovely daughter near 15 years of age were carried off by it during his sickness, which was truly a sore affliction to him and us."

Of Dr. Benjamin Say we should be glad of more information. He died 23 v. 1813 (Dutton Records in "Publ. Gene. Soc. Pa.," iv. 66).

Dr. Say's son, Thomas, was the joint author, with T. A. Conard and Mrs. Lucy Say, of "American Conchology," 1830-1834 (not in D). He died in Ohio, 10 x. 1834, aged forty-six (Elfreth Necrology, in "Publ. Gene. Soc. Pa.," ii. 207).

The following books by the late Silvanus P. Thompson (1851-1916) have been presented by his widow :

Ye Magick Mirrour of Old Japan, Sette of Odd Volumes, 1893.

Preface to *Two Tracts on Electricity and Magnetism* by the Hon. Robert Boyle, 1898.

Notes on the De Magnete of Dr. William Gilbert, 1901.

William Gilbert and Terrestrial Magnetism in the Time of Queen Elizabeth, 1903.

Gilbert of Colchester, Father of Electrical Science (1544-1603), 1903.

The Pied Piper of Hamelin, Sette of Odd Volumes, 1905.

Treatise on Light, by Christian Huygens, 1690, translated by Prof. Thompson, 1912.

The Mystery of Joanna Southcott, by Rachel J. Fox, 1917.

Whittier and his Poetry, by William Henry Hudson, in Poetry and Life series, London, 1917; also, in this series, *Walt Whitman and his Poetry*, by H. Bryan Binns.

By the kindness of Amelia Mott Gummere, of Haverford, Pa., president of the John Woolman Memorial Association, a gavel or chairman's hammer has been added to the objects of interest in D. It was made from oak from the John Woolman Memorial, Mount Holly, N.J., the house built by J.W., in 1771. (For an illustration of this house, see *Bulletin F.H.S. of Phila.*, vi. 65.)

Prof. A. Stanley Eddington, F.R.S., has deposited reprints of two scientific articles which have appeared recently from *Scientia*—"The

Interior of a Star," and in connection with the Royal Institution, "Gravitation and the Principle of Relativity."

Gweithiau Morgan Llwyd o Wynedd (Works of Morgan Lloyd), vol. i. edited by Thomas E. Ellis, 1899, and vol. ii., edited by John H. Davies, 1908, London and Bangor.

Transactions of the Cumberland and Westmorland Antiquarian and Archæological Society, vol. xvii. new series, 1917.

Our Vegetable Plot, by Samuel Graveson (London: Headley, 8½ by 5½, pp. 32, 1918, 7d. net). The author, whose last book described his "Villa Garden" at Hertford, now introduces the reader to his work among vegetables.

MS. indexes to *Memorials of Rebecca Jones*, 2nd ed., 1849, containing 950 entries, and to *Journal of David Sands*, 1848, 295 entr.es.

The Inward Light, being a translation into Japanese of the chapter on this subject in "Principles of Quakerism," Phila., 1908, written by Mary Ward, sent by the Friends' Mission in Japan.

James Wright of Bristol. A Memorial of a Fragrant Life, by Arthur T. Pierson, London, 268 pages, 1906. James Wright (1826-1905) was the second son of James Ireland and Rachel Wright, Friends, of Bristol.

"His brother, Wilson, many years his senior, was very clever and popularly known as the 'handsome young Quaker.'" James was educated at Thornbury, Glos., at the school kept by John Moxham. He was a bright, active lad and very fond of reading. He was baptized at Brook Street Chapel, Tottenham, in 1839, and resigned his membership among Friends in 1845, being visited by "J. E. and Dr. A."¹ For a time he travelled for the firm of Wright and Hunt (his father and Henry Hunt) and in 1854 he moved with his wife to London, and was employed as a clerk in the firm of Lury and Hoyland, and later in the firm of Tregelles and Taylor until, on the invitation of George Müller he removed back to Bristol to assist him in his orphan work, in 1859, and remained forty-five years at Ashley Down. In 1870 his wife died, and in 1871 he married George Müller's daughter Lydia.

Pamphlets and MSS. presented by Samuel F. Hurnard, including *The Parthenon*, a monthly magazine, 1847-8, edited by R. Dymond, Jr., F. W. Dymond, *et al.* This was incorporated with "The Western Miscellany," in 1849. See Smith's "Sup. Cat." p. 269.

¹ Probably Joseph Eaton (1792-1858) and Edward Ash, M.D. (1797-1873).

Trivia, by Logan Pearsall Smith, son of Robert Pearsall and Hannah Whitall Smith (London: Constable, 6½ by 5¼, pp. xvi. + 154, 4s. 6d. net). A series of short pieces objective and subjective—an enlargement of the author's previous "Trivia," London, 1902. Presented.

Three pamphlets of poems by Edith Ellen Trusted, of Lewes. Presented by the author.

Great Thoughts for each Day's Life compiled from the Poems of Ella Wheeler Wilcox, by Frank Holme-Sumner (London: Gay and Hancock, 1910). F. Holme-Sumner joined Friends in London in 1913, and resigned his membership in 1915.

Christianity and War: an Appeal to Conscientious Objectors, by Paul B. Bull, M.A., priest of the Community of the Resurrection (London: S.P.C.K., 1918, 4d. net).

The Present War and Bible Prophecy, by William M. Smith, superintendent of Union Bible Seminary, Westfield, Ind. (Westfield, Ind.: The Friends Minister, pp. 64). Substance of addresses delivered at the Apostolic Holiness University, Greensboro, N.C., in 1917. Presented by the author.

England's Way of Escape from the Power of Evil, by Rachel J. Fox, 1918 (Plymouth: Keys, pp. 52, 2s. net, post free). Presented by the author.

Year Book of the Pennsylvania Society of New York, 1918, 284 pages. Presented by the Society per Hon. Barr Ferree. There are cuts of Friends' Meeting Houses at Buckingham, Bucks Co. and at Catawissa, Columbia Co., both taken from Egle's "History of Pennsylvania."

Memorandum on the Letters written by Joshua Williams, Junr., whilst in India, 1778 to 1788. By Francis Williams Dymond, Exeter, 1872, and other pamphlets, presented by John Dymond Crosfield.

Books and Pamphlets by James N. Richardson, of Bessbrook, Ireland. Presented by the author.

Memoirs of the Lives and Persecutions of the Primitive Quakers, by Mary Ann Kelty, London, 1845.

The Pacifist Lie. The Case for Sailors and Soldiers against the Conscientious Objectors, by Capt. E. John Solano (Royal Club for Officers Beyond the Seas, Pall Mall, London). 1918 (London: Murray, pp. 66, 1s. 6d. net.)

Prisoners of Hope. The Problem of the Conscientious Objector, by Arthur S. Peake, M.A., D.D. 1918. (London: Allen and Unwin, 7¼ by 4¾, pp. 128, 1s. 6d. net.)

Life and Times of William Lloyd Garrison, 4 vols. London, 1885.

Cruise of the Yacht "Red Rose" to Madeira, Teneriffe and the Mediterranean, 1882, and Reminiscences, 1913, printed for private circulation, both by the late Samuel Lloyd. Presented by the family.

Three caricatures have recently been added to others in D. (see THE JOURNAL, xiii. 44) :

(i.) *The Quaker, and the Commissioners of Excise.*

The Commissioners seated round a table looking at a Quaker who is standing before them.

Com. : " Pray, Sir, do you know what we sit here for ? "

Quaker : " Verily I do—some sit here for £500, others for a £1000—and more over I have heard it reported that some sit here for two thousand pounds per annum."

(ii.) *The Quakers in a Quandary, or the Times Reporter Triumphant.*

" Scene, meeting to explain the Elbow Lane affair."

A number of Quakers seated and standing. The *Times* reporter standing with back against table, addressing them.

" Yea, verily, Friend, the *Times* have been very hard upon one of us," etc. etc.

Caricatures by Heath. 1825.

(iii.) *The Minister of Vice, or Great Go, Parent of all the Little Goes.*

Cleric with a Quaker and a Citizen on either side. Quaker saying :

" Now do's'nt thee think the Sin of Hypocrisy is the greatest of all Sin, why thee pretendeth to be Religious by Recommendation, and by Law, thee establishest a System of Vice, fraud, and even, of Death itself, by Lottery gambling, & that full of deception, and chicanery, thee sayest I do it not, no verily, but thou havest others do it for thee !!!" etc.

Coloured caricature by Marks. 1819.

In 1664-5, Thomas Carleton, of Cumberland (1636-1684, see THE JOURNAL, xii. 17), was in Carlisle Gaol. Here he occupied part of his time copying verses written by Friends. Four leaves in his handwriting have come down to our times and have recently been presented to D. by Anthony W. Wilson, of Kendal.

The first portion contains lines of John Raunce, a doctor, of High Wycombe, entitled " A few words to all People Concerning the Present and Succeeding Times," written by him on the last day of 4 mo. 1662, and several times printed. The following quatrain is prophetic :

" O London great shall be thy woe
Who shall lament thy case
For in thy streets greene grass shall grow,
God shall the[e] soe debase."

Raunce was a troubler of the early Friends, and separated from them.

The second piece was by William Smith, written in Worcester County Gaol, 26 ii. 1661, entitled " Joyfull Sound of y^e Lambs Day wherin his Scepter shall beare sway." William Smith (-1672) was of Nottinghamshire; his literary works were collected and published in 1675.

Then follow some very halting verses by John Swinton, of Scotland, (1621?-1679), and lastly the following lines on "Love" by Edward Burrough (1634-1662):

" Love is a vertue that endures for ever
 A linke of matchless Jewels none can sever,
 Had I the tongue of men, and angels too
 If love were wanting what good could I doe
 Love far surmounts all earthly Diadems
 Though deckt with pearls,
 With rubies and with Jemes.
 Love is the life of all things
 under th' sun
 Love must the laurell weare
 When all is done.
 Loves eye is tender, love doth gently draw
 The mind to God without a penall law.
 Love thinks no evill, love never did invent
 Fines, premunire, gaoles nor banishment
 For innocents, love hath no spleene nor gall
 Loves like the royall sun, love shines on all."

These leaves were "panelled" and bound by Henry T. Wake in 1864, and he added a transcription of the Carleton writing.

Books Wanted

(For previous lists, see xiv. 88, 121.)

REFERENCE LIBRARY, DEVONSHIRE HOUSE :

- The Dying Words of William Fletcher*, Phila., 1699.
 John Bellers, *To the Lords Commissions re poor Palatines*, 1709.
The (London) Friend and The British Friend for 1855.
Sarah Lynes Grubb, Phila., 1863.
New Jersey Archives, 1st ser, vols. 1-7, 11-14, 18, 21.
The Friend (London), vol. xxxi., anno 1891.
Letters of the Hill Family, by John Jay Smith, Phila., 1854.
Memoir of Philip Syng Physick, by Randolph, Phila., 1839.
Memoir of Joseph Parrish, by Wood, Phila., 1840.
Memoir of Josiah White, by Richardson, Phila., 1873.
The Happy King, by Catherine Phillips, 1797.

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY, CAMBRIDGE :

- Allen's *Friends' Library*, vol. iv, ed. 2, vols. xiii. and xv.
Lindfield Reporter.
 Evans's *Friends' Library*, all vols.

AN ENQUIRER IN FRANCE :

- Barclay's *Apology*, in French.

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 Bishopsgate, London, E.C. 2.*