

## Thomas Hutton's Catalogue of Visiting Friends 1695

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**W**E have had before us, through the courtesy of J. Ernest Grubb, a manuscript which bears this title :

“ Here follows a Catalogue of most of the names of Publick friends, with the year and days of the month they were at the Meetings I belonged to, begining the 18th 3<sup>d</sup> month, 1695.”

The first section contains the names of Friends who visited Old Castle, in the west of Co. Meath ; then those who visited Killagh or Killeagh, about four miles west of Old Castle to which the recorder moved in 1696 ; and from 1710 to 1735 in the Co. Carlow.

The earliest recorded visit was by Leonard Coale—18 iii. 1695—and the first visitor to the Co. Carlow home was “ Samuel Wilkinson when he came out of America and was at our Meeting the 14 : 3<sup>d</sup> mo. 1710.” Other Friends from America were Jane Fenn (1728), John Estaugh (1726), Susanna Morris (1730), Arthur Jones (1732).

The following notes regarding Thomas Hutton have been supplied by Editi Webb, of Dublin, by request of J. E. Grubb (Thomas Hutton was his great great great grandfather).

Thomas Hutton, of Killeagh, Co. Cavan, Farmer, married Rachel Leyburne, of Ardnahere, Co. Carlow, at New Garden, 1705 iii. 23.

They had both been married previously. The name of Thomas Hutton's first wife I have not been able to find. At the time of his second marriage he had sons (Nehemiah and John) and a daughter (Susanna Malone) also several grand-children, children of his son Joseph and daughter Sarah (both apparently deceased before him).

Rachel Hutton, daughter of John Marchant, married (1st) Joseph Leybourne, son of William Leybourne of Black Hadleigh, Co. Durham, at New Garden, 1676. iv. 14. They had six daughters and one son. One daughter Susanna, married Samuel White of Seskin, Co. Carlow in 1710 ; another, Rachel, married James Starr in 1705, the same year in which her mother married T. Hutton.

Thomas Hutton was evidently a leading Friend in Carlow Monthly Meeting, as he was frequently put on responsible appointments. He was a man of some property. His wife says in her will that he “ dyed seized & posses'd of a considerable personall Estate.” In his own will he speaks of the profit of Rainstown, where he lived, and of “ a Copyhold farm I sold which I had in England,” the money received for which was divided among his children. Like other Friends his goods were frequently seized for tythes, lambs, wool, wheat, barley, oats, a horse, etc.

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Att our monthly meeting Att Raby y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> day of y<sup>e</sup> third month 1681 Itt is agreed of amongst us that if any Women friends be Longing to ths monthly meeting have a mind to come to y<sup>e</sup> meeting & be not able to come a foot nor of Ability to hire A horse y<sup>t</sup> if they Will hire one it shall be paid for out of the Collection y<sup>t</sup> soe none who in any measure may be seruesablle to the Lord & his truth may be kept back for want of out warde supplies.

From the Women's M.M. book for Barnard Castle, etc., 1674, kept at Darlington.