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67.—Vol. I., p. 444.—The following letter from John Audland to George Fox, 1654, gives another reference to Nathaniel Cripps :

G : ff :

Deare & pretious, whom my soule loves, and breaths after, in the Liveing with thee to dwell, and with y^e Liveing Power to be girded, for Evermore. Strength comes from the fountaine of Life, Deare, Reach, & pray for me, that in the Eternall J may grow & Raigne.

The Worke of y^e Lord is great, & doth much prosper & spread : J have been in Bristoll severall first dayes, & none with me ; The Meetings exceeding large & peaceable, & J have gone into y^e Countrey, in y^e Week-dayes, & kept the Meetings there ; and J see a mighty service in keeping the ffirst dayes at the City ; for it keeps all, over y^e Countrey ; & all is kept open, & much over, in regard the Meetings are so great & peaceable ; and a door is open all y^e Countrey about.

The last 7th day J had Moveings to goe about 20 Miles to a Meeting which was appointed by Humphrey Smith ; and Jo : Camme was in y^e City : and one y^e last first day (J was there) a very great Meeting in a Towne, & many Convinced, & all was silent & bound downe, & a Justice of peace was there, & is very loveing & tender, & all his family ; J was at his house, and had a Meeting there, & abundance is Convinced therewayes ; They are high in Wisdome, but they owne the Truth in much Love, The Justice Name is Crispe in Glostershire, not farr from Tedbury.

Two Johns [Wilkinson and Story] is in Wiltshire : John Camme is in y^e Countrey hereaway.

Judge ffell's Daughters is gone North this day ; ffriends are pretty fresh.

J am thine in my Measure, waiting upon y^e Lord to be refreshed & kept over all the World, that y^e Liveing God may be exalted.

JOHN AUDLAND.

Two Elizabeths [Levens and Fletcher] was at Bristoll, Came when J was gone into the Countrey, & stayed 3, or 4 dayes therewayes, & they passed away towards that Justice house to a Meeting.

8th day, 6th moneth.

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