

We are unable to follow further the fortunes of the School, but we find that, in 1834, Lambert and Jasper Weston, sons of Richard and Susanna Weston, announced the opening of a school by the issue of a circular. (This circular is referred to in Joseph Smith's *Catalogue*, ii. 877.)

3 Rachel Rickman, of Lewes, edited a memoir of Benjamin Bishop, with extracts from his letters, which was published in 1865. B. Bishop (1780-1855) was born in London and attended the Islington School. He was apprenticed at Malton. In 1797, he began business as a milk-seller, at Strood, Kent. He was recorded a Minister in 1841.

4 *Apropos* of the disturbing “ louts,” it is worth recording that there appeared a wood-cut in the *Band of Hope Almanac*, 1854, fourth edition, entitled, “ The Apple War,” representing some scholars at a Friends' school at Rochester, throwing apples at rude boys in exchange for stones ! A notice of this picture appears in Joseph Smith's first and only printed portion of his *Bibliotheca Quakeristica*, 1883, but beyond this mention no further information has been obtained, despite considerable correspondence.

5 With the manuscript of this account of Rochester School is a copy of this lyric in the handwriting of John Ford. John Ford (1801-1875) entered Rochester School as an apprentice under Robert Styles in 1815 and left for York in 1828.

“ Mushrooms of Christianity ”

“ As for those other Perswasions, whose Professors are commonly called Presbyterians, Independants, Anabaptists, Quakers, Fifth-Monarchy Men, Ranters, Adamites, Antinomians, Sabbatarians, Perfectionists, Family of Love, and the rest of those Mushroomes of Christianity ; as most of them sprang up suddenly in the late unhappy night of Confusion, so it is to be presumed that they may in a short time vanish in this blessed day of Order ; and therefore not worthy to be described here as Religions professed in England.”

The Present State of England, by Edward Chamberlayne, 8th ed. 1674, p. 39.

The Quaker “ mushroome,” however, has survived many a day of heated controversy and opposition.

London Yearly Meeting, 1763, 5mo. 26.

A Proposition from the Quarterly Meeting of Warwickshire was laid before this Meeting, viz., for the reprinting of George Fox's Journal in Folio, with William Penn's Preface, which they apprehend would be preferable to any smaller Volume ; as it would be a good Family Book, and very serviceable. The same is referr'd to the Consideration of the Meeting for Sufferings to report their Sense thereof to next Yearly Meeting.