

Jordans, 1869

“THE weather was everything we could desire & the company most acceptable. I think our numerous *American* Friends and others enjoy'd it much. That precious little woman F. Smiley, was largely engaged. . . The Friends Griffiths I suppose thou knows, that meek man Amos Griffith takes great care of his wife, warms her slippers, buttons her boots, & guards her every way—listening also to her words. I should think they are very differently constituted, but admirably fitted to go through life together. It is not *always*, though, that the husband is so willing to be the retiring partner. . . Are there any nettles in America? because F. Smiley was stung the first time in her life, at Jordans, by one.”

From a letter in the J. J. Green Collection, without date. The occasion was probably the M.M. held at Jordans, 6 mo. 3, 1869. Edith Griffith (1801-1873) was the daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth Price of Maryland. She married Amos Griffith in 1820; in 1839 she was recorded a Minister. A. and E. Griffith attended London Y.M. in 1868 and 1869. Amos Griffith (-1871) lived in Pennsylvania and later in Ohio.

Memorial, London, 1878; *Joseph Edgerton*, Phila. 1885, p. 112; *Memorials of Hope Park*, London, 1886; *Maude's Transactions and Changes*, Phila. 1886, p. 101.

QUAKERS TURNED OUT OF THE STRANGERS' GALLERY.—An amendment to the West Indian Emancipation Act of 1833 was moved by Sir Culling Eardley in the House of Commons and declared carried by a majority of three. In a letter from T. F. Buxton to a friend in the country he reported that the numbers were received with such a shout by the Quakers in the Strangers' Gallery that they were all turned out by the officers of the House as rioters.

British Folks and British India, Fifty Years Ago, by John Hyslop Bell (-1920), of Darlington, editor of *The Northern Echo*, giving an account of the efforts for the bettering of the condition of the natives of India, by Joseph Pease, Senr. (1772-1846), of Feethams, Darlington, and others.

Joseph Pease, Senr., was an ardent philanthropist, whose work has been partially eclipsed by that of his older brother, Edward Pease (1767-1858), “the father of railways,” and by his nephew, Joseph Pease, M.P. (1799-1872). Descendants of his only son, John Beaumont Pease (1803-1873), are with us to-day. His daughter Elizabeth (1807-1897) became Mrs. Pease-Nichol, of Edinburgh. There are portraits of Joseph Pease in Mr. Bell's book.