

Obituary

JOSEPH JOSHUA GREEN, 1854-1921

STUDENTS of Quaker history and genealogy will keenly feel the loss of the help so readily given by our late friend, J. J. Green, of Hastings, who died on the 24th of October, 1921.

For over forty years he was occupied collecting particulars of numerous Quaker and allied families, with many of which he and his wife were related by direct or collateral descent. Much of this information remains in manuscript, but articles from his pen have appeared in periodical literature and he collaborated with his relative, Canon Charles Wilmer Foster, B.A., in the production of that fine volume "The History of the Wilmer Family." It is to be regretted that J. J. Green was not able to sort and arrange more of the materials he collected, much of which is now in the Devonshire House Reference Library.

The following is an extract from a minute placed on record by the Committee of the Reference Library:

J. J. Green has always shown great interest in the work of the Library and was one of its most frequent correspondents until ill-health compelled him to lay aside his literary work. He was president of the Friends' Historical Society in 1908-9, and contributed largely to its Journal. Books and MSS. of his collection and compilation which are in the Library give evidence of the vast amount of information he had gathered together during the last forty years.

But not alone as a collector will J. J. Green be remembered. He was an ardent Friend, and especially devoted to the cause of peace, as his many letters to *The Friend* bear witness. He had the pen of a ready writer and often discussed religious and social subjects at length with his many correspondents.