

Friends and Current Literature

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AT the suggestion of Charles F. Jenkins, of Philadelphia, Samuel Traquair Tyson, of Los Angeles, Calif., has sent over a copy of his book *A Contribution to the History and Genealogy of the Tyson and Fitzwater Families*, 59 pages, large octavo. There appears to be some uncertainty as to the origin of the Tyson family, English or Dutch, but it is evident that Reynier Tyson went from Crefeld, near the Holland border of Germany, to America in 1683 and became one of the settlers of Germantown, though afterwards removing into the Abington district of Pa. He was born about 1659 and had become a Friend before emigration. He died in 1745. See "The Friend" (Phila.), vol. 30 (1857), p. 229. The family is traced down through five generations to the compiler, born 1841.

Dr. James Tyson, of Philadelphia (1841-1919), has been said to be a descendant of Reynier Tyson but in a letter to the compiler in 1890, he claims descent from Cornelius Tyson, perhaps brother of Reynier. C. F. Jenkins, has sent an extract from "Who's Who," respecting Dr. Tyson, adding that he was a warm friend of his and an interested Friend all his life—a member of Race Street M.M., Philadelphia :

TYSON, JAMES, physician, b. Phila., Oct. 26, 1841. s. Henry and Gertrude (Haviland) T.; A.B., Haverford Coll., 1860, A.M., 1864. M.D., U. of Pa., 1863; LL.D., Haverford Coll., 1908, Univ. of Pennsylvania, 1912; M. Frances Bosdevex of Phila., Dec. 5, 1865. Professor pathology and morbid anatomy, 1876-89, dean, ed. faculty 1888-92, Prof. practice of medicine, 1899-1910—Prof. emeritus, 1910—U. of Pa. Pres. Assn. Am. Physicians, 1907-8; mem. A.M.A., Am. Philos. Soc.; Fellow Coll. Physicians, Phila., pres., 1907-10. Author Introduction to Normal Histology, 1873; The Cell Doctrine—Its history and present state, 2nd edit., 1878; Practical Examination of Urine, 10th edit., 1902; Physical Diagnosis, 6th edit., 1913; Text Book of Practice of Medicine, 5th edit., 1909; Bright's Disease and Diabetes, 2nd edit., 1904; also numerous papers on med. subjects. Died 26 Feb., 1919.

Thomas Fitzwater (originally Fitzwalter) and family went over to America from Middlesex in the same ship, the *Welcome*, as William Penn, in 1682. In the epidemic which invaded the ship, Thomas's wife and two of his children died. "The survivors never forgot the horrors of this passage. Fifty years or more after the event, old people used to speak of it with fear and trembling." Thomas married again, but, judging by the copies of M.M. minutes given in the book, his wife and he found some difficulty in living together. "He was a preacher among Friends and died in Philadelphia, 8th mo. 6th, 1699." His son, Thomas, married a Tyson.

A volume of *Verses*, by William C. Braithwaite, selected by him shortly before his death, has been published by The Swarthmore Press, Ltd., London, at five shillings net. The "poems serious and light" were written between 1886 and 1921.

* We are glad that another edition of *The Story of George Fox*, by R. M. Jones (reviewed *Jnl.* xviii. 98), has been called for, but we regret that several errors in the first edition have re-appeared—we presume because electrotypes of the first edition have been used without alteration.

Stolen Aureoles : Legends now for the first time collected together by T. Edmund Harvey (Oxford : Blackwell, 7½ by 4½, pp. 80, 2s. 6d.). This little book consists of five sections and a preface, and gives us brief life-histories of seven saints—SS. Eutychus, Usage, Expedite, Opportuna, Hilary, Severus, and Placid—embodiments of attitudes of mind, good and bad. The Preface, describing how some of the "legends" arose and how they have survived, is cleverly written but the reader will soon find "which things are an allegory." Yet will he appreciate them none the less. Read especially section two—how St. Usage visited the sacred places and brought away relics wherewith to confirm the faithful—"a raven's feather from the cave by the brook Kedron where the prophet Elijah was fed . . . a piece of potsherd with which it was piously believed the Patriarch Job scraped himself," etc.

Edward Grubb's "What is Quakerism?" has been issued in German by the title of *Das Wesen des Quäkertums* (Jena : Diderichs, 1923).

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"Let us imagine for a moment in those early times [in Philadelphia], the alarm of 'fire' given on 'First-day,' when out of each pent roof door in Front and Second Streets and perhaps as high up town as Fifth Street, in Arch and Market and Chestnut Streets, the quiet Quaker in his plain, neat First-day suit, his broad-brim, his breeches, and buckle-shoes, and yarn stockings, with three or four fire buckets on either arm, proceeding in an excited gait to the nearest pump, to stand in line to pass on the water . . . and after neighbor A's roof had been rid of the fire, returning home with his buckets on his arm, with soaked shoes, and muddy stockings."

Quoted from Richard Vaux's address before the Philadelphia Hose Company in 1850, in an art. in *Pa. Magazine*, July, 1922, on "Early Fire Protection and Use of Fire Marks."

A third and revised edition has appeared of *The Parables of Jesus*, by Elbert Russell, director of Woolman School, Swarthmore, Pa., and author of "Jesus of Nazareth in the Light of To-day" (Phila., Pa. : Walter H. Jenkins, 7 by 4½, pp. 94).

Charles M. Alexander, a Romance of Soul-winning, by Helen (Cadbury) Alexander and J. Kennedy Maclean, 2nd ed. illus., 1922, 272 pages—a most interesting book.

A life of *Tom Bryan, First Warden of Fircroft*, has been written by Herbert G. Wood and Arthur E. Ball (London: Allen and Unwin, 7½ by 5, pp. 156, 5s. net). Tom Bryan was born at Leicester in 1865. At Bradford he became connected with the Labour Movement and three years later he joined F. Herbert Stead at the Browning Hall Settlement in Walworth. In 1903 he settled at Woodbrooke and in 1909 he became the first Warden of Fircroft, the Adult School Settlement, near Birmingham, which position he held until his lamented and early death in 1917.

The Star, Johannesburg, S.A., of Jan. 23rd, has an article on "How to know old China," descriptive of the "Plymouth Ware," and the story of William Cookworthy (1705-1780) as "the originator of the valuable chinaware now known as 'Old Plymouth.'"

* Another volume of the *Piers Plowman Social and Economic Histories* has appeared. Book II, 1066 to 1300, written by R. H. Snape, M.A. (London: George Philip and Son, Ltd., pp. xii+244, forty-four illustrations, 3s.). There are chapters on The Upper Classes, Village Life, Market Day and Fair Time, Merchants and Merchandise, The Monasteries, Crusading, etc. The Book Lists at the ends of the chapters are helpful to further study.

William Taylor, Hope Villas, Middleton, near Manchester, has prepared *A Renovation Souvenir* of Friends' Meeting House, Crawshawbooth, meeting house and attached caretaker's cottage having recently undergone considerable repair. Crawshawbooth belongs to Marsden M.M. in East Lancashire. The first portion of the meeting house was built in 1715 and the newer portion in 1736. Views of the meeting house and plans accompany the *Souvenir*. The compiler will send copies of his *brochure* to interested members of the F.H.S.

* "The 'Friends,' Quakers, seemed to have most freshness in their spiritual experience, doubtless because of their withdrawal from the organized society of the Church and their appeal to the individual inner light and the freedom of the spirit. Yet they soon also established a general formal type, and their spiritual life adopted a fashion and formulated a terminology which comes under Russell Lowell's description of the 'dialect of Canaan.'" From *Classics of The Soul's Quest*, by R. E. Welsh, M.A., D.D., 1922, p. 17.

In *The Beehive: Germantowners for Germantown*, vol. 3, no. 2 (Nov. 1922), appears an article by C. F. Jenkins on "The Passing of the Old Town Hall." It also contains a list of the first settlers of Germantown, Pa., including Thones Kunders and Reynier Tyson. From 1814

to 1848, John Fanning Watson was the cashier of the National Bank of Germantown. He was the author of "Annals of Philadelphia," 1830. There is a good description of the Stenton mansion, erected by James Logan in 1728 and still in excellent preservation—made famous as the home of Deborah (Norris) Logan (1761-1839), wife of Dr. George Logan (1755-1821). See *Jnl.* ii.

Spiritual Energies in Daily Life is the title of the latest book by Dr. R. M. Jones (New York: The Macmillan Company, 7½ by 5, pp. 199). This is a companion volume to "The Inner Life" and "The World Within." Here is a helpful passage from the chapter headed: "The Great Energies that Work":

"The Psalmist who wrote our best loved psalm, the twenty-third, thought at first that God was his Shepherd because he led him in green pastures and beside still waters where there was no struggle and no enemy to fear. But he learned at length that in the dark valleys of the shadow and on the rough jagged hillsides God was no less a good Shepherd than on the level plains and in the lush grass; and he found at last that even 'in the presence of enemies' he could be fed with good things and have his table spread. The overflowing cup and the anointed head were not discovered on the lower levels of ease and comfort—they came out of the harder experiences when 'enemies' of his peace were busy supplying obstacles and perplexities for him to overcome."

Mary Hodgkin, of Darlington, has compiled a very helpful volume for daily reading entitled *A Diary for the Thankful-hearted* (London: Methuen, 8½ by 5, pp. xxxiii.+262). The writings of many authors have been introduced and quotations are here in great variety. For February 15th, we have:

"Thank God for humour! How often have quarrels been ended, and strained situations eased, as the occurrence of some ludicrous incident, or the utterance of some wisely humorous remark compelled the contending parties to unite in wholesome laughter!—J. B. HODGKIN"

And for October 29th:

"Oh! isn't it nice, when beginning to tire,
To sit down and rest in front of the fire."

"Infants' Magazine."

Among Quaker authors are William C. Allen, William Dewsbury, George Fox, J. B. Hodgkin, Ronald Hodgkin, L. Violet Holdsworth, John S. Hoyland, Thomas Story, Rebecca N. Taylor, Richard H. Thomas and J. G. Whittier.

The long-awaited Rancocas Edition of *The Journal and Essays of John Woolman*, edited by Amelia Mott Gummere, has now appeared (Philadelphia: 302 Arch Street; London: 140, Bishopsgate, 8½ by 6, pp. xxii.+643, price 25s.). Much new illuminative material is here given, obtained from three copies of *The Journal* recently become available by presentation to public libraries. Doubtless references to the wonderful supply of biographical data will frequently find their way into our pages. We have not yet been able to make a *study* of Mrs. Gummere's *magnum opus*.

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The editor writes from Spring Lake Beach, N.J., under date of December 17, 1922 :

"It is tragic to reflect how so many of those most interested in helping me are gone—my husband [Dr. F. B. Gummere, of Haverford College], Professor Thomas, and then President Sharpless—all my neighbors, and daily advisors almost. Then went Malcolm Spence, at Almery Garth in York, and then Granville Leeds, Rancocas (these last in the two homes of John Woolman), and then W. C. Braithwaite."

The following are culled from the *Catalogue of Manuscripts—National Library of Wales*, 1921 :

A DEFENCE OF WATER BAPTISM.

This is a controversial Tract bearing the title "A Defence of Water Baptism in opposition to all Anabaptists and Quakers from Scripture, Reason, and the Church's Custome. Whereunto there is added a Discourse touching the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, as a necessary Appendix or Sacramental Complement thereof. Both delivered at first in two several sermons upon an occasion of a publike Dispute had November 2, 1674, with one Thomas Curtiss of or near unto Reading in Berkshire, Quaker, but now made publike for the Common good, especially theirs of the Towne of Uffington. By R. G[reen], Minister of Uffington in ye County of Berks" (vol. i., p. 173).

Poetry and Essays of Hugh Maurice, 1806-21, pp. 27-30. "An Account of the Adventures of Captain William Jones, the Welsh Quaker, from Waterford in Tooley Street." *Welsh* (*ibid.* p. 150).

English englynion on Tobacco by Charles Lloyd of Dolobran—poetry (*ibid.* p. 334).

The Quakers' Meeting, by C. Lamb, translated into Welsh (*ibid.* p. 191).

The Baptist Quarterly, January, 1923, refers, on page 236, to a broadside entitled: "The Entertainment of Lady Monk at Fishers Folly, with an Address made to her by a member of the college of Bedlam at her visiting these Phanatiques"—reprinted by J. P. Collier—adding: "Note that Thomas Rugge's *Mercurius Politicus Redivivus* says that in November [] the Countess of Devonshire entertained the King at the same place; Kiffins meeting-house apparently did not occupy the whole of the premises."

See pamphlet "Devonshire House," 1920.

The Earlham described so strikingly by Percy Lubbock in his book *Earlham* is not the Quaker Earlham, although some of its previous Quaker inhabitants are mentioned casually. Earlham Hall, with gables dated 1642, was rented by John Gurney (1749-1809) in 1786 and remained in the hands of the family till the death of his son Joseph John in 1847, when for a few years it stood empty, till John, son of Samuel, took his young wife and their small children to live there. The widow of John married a clergyman (William Nottidge Ripley), and lived at the Hall for nearly fifty years. (London: Jonathan Cape, 8½ by 5½, pp. 254.)

With the New Year began a new "Christian Weekly Journal"—*The Guardian*, published in Calcutta (96, Beadon Street) and edited in part by our friend, Joseph Taylor (6s. 6d. per ann. in Britain and Colonies). The editors write :

"This weekly paper is the outcome of the deliberations of a group of Indians belonging to different provinces, and others who though not actually children of India by birth, have spent very many years in sympathetic efforts to serve her, and who, especially during and since the great war, are conscious of dissatisfaction with their surroundings, social, commercial, political, and religious."

With the New Year began also a new series of *Friends' Fellowship Papers*, with Elizabeth Fox Howard as editor, and M. Ethel Crawshaw (24, Wallbuton Road, London, S.E.4) as publishing secretary. 4s. per ann. to M. E. Crawshaw, and \$1.00 per ann. to Grace W. Blair, Media, Pa.—published every two months.

John G. Whittier and Elizabeth Lloyd

The publication of *Whittier's Unknown Romance—Letters to Elizabeth Lloyd*, with an introduction by Marie V. Denervaud (Boston and New York: Houghton Mifflin Company, 8 by 5½, pp. x + 72, \$5.00) has revived an interest in this lady, one of the most intimate of the poet's friends and herself a poet.

"Hannah Lloyd & Elizabeth Lloyd, Jr. [1811-1896], were the daughters of Isaac & Elizabeth Lloyd, prominent Elders [in the Society of Friends], of Southern District (Orange Street) M.M., Philadelphia. Elizabeth, Jr., and her sister Hannah were well known & highly esteemed writers both in prose & verse. . . . *Cardiphonia*, by Hannah, & *Milton's Prayer of Patience*, by Elizabeth, were usually considered their most meritorious productions. . . . The sisters, as well as their parents, were warm friends of Joseph John Gurney"¹ (letter from Joshua L. Baily, of Philadelphia, in 1916, in D).

In Pickard's *Life of Whittier* (i. 217) we read :

"Among the young women looked upon with interest and admiration was Elizabeth Lloyd, Jr., author of many beautiful poems, and there was a special glamour attached to her, because she was understood to be one of the very few with whom Whittier was really on terms of warm, personal friendship, outside of his firm and faithful comradeship with his anti-slavery friends."

In 1853, Elizabeth married Robert Howell, a non-Friend. The wedding took place at the Lloyd home, but the parents did not feel at liberty to attend, as it was not an authorised Quaker ceremony.² Howell died after three years of married life, described by Whittier

¹ E. Lloyd wrote a "Tribute to the Memory of Joseph John Gurney" (in ms. in D).

² E. Howell did not lose her membership. Whittier writes: "I cannot tell thee how rejoiced I am to hear of thy success in maintaining thy place in our Society" (4 ii. 1855, p. 12).