

The J. J. Green Collection in D

FOURTH LIST OF BOOKS AND MANUSCRIPTS¹

Annals of Evangelical Nonconformity in the County of Essex, from the time of Wycliffe to the Restoration, by T. W. Davids, London, 1863, 657 pages. One page is devoted to an unsympathetic account of James Parnell (p. 319). Giles Barnardiston is named among those forming the twelfth Presbyterian Classis, 1648 (p. 293).

Biography of ELIZABETH ROBSON (1771-1843), 496 pages of manuscript, written in 1912, by her grandson, Joseph J. Green.

Original Letter from ISAAC ALEXANDER (1680-1705), son of Thomas and Alice Alexander, of Bendrig, in Killington, Westmorland, to Lydia Rawlinson, afterwards Lancaster (1684-1761). It is dated from Hill, 3 vi. 1704, and contains much advice on the subject of marriage from a youth of 24 to a maiden of 20! The letter commences:

“ My Dearely beloued friend.
Whome My soule doth Truely
and Intirely Love, and Tenderly salute.”

MS. Pedigree of the PERRY FAMILY, of Chartham, Kent, etc., 103 pages folio, original drawings and index.

MS. Journal of ELIZA ANN HOPKINS (1806-1866), wife of Joseph Hopkins, of Brigg, Lincs., 210 pages 4to, with notes by J.J.G.

MS. History of the DAY FAMILY of Co. Essex.

Documents relating to GREEN, of Liversedge.

MS. copy of a Journal of ELIZABETH ROBSON, JUNR. (1815-1881), of Liverpool, afterwards Elizabeth Green, of Stansted, Essex and mother of J. J. Green, when on a visit to Sunderland, Shields and Darlington, etc., 1837. Contains valuable insight into the class of reading of a young Quakeress of the period: Phillips's *Guide to Geology*; Wiffin's *Memoirs of the House of Russell*; “Mrs. Mayer's Letters”; *Selections from Bp. Horne's Commentary*; Pollock's *Course of Time*; *Childe Harold*; *Elijah The Tishbite*; but no record of Quaker literature. Frequent mention of Darlington Friends—Jonathan and Hannah C. Backhouse, Polam Hill—“a scene of state and grandeur rather appalling to us poor frightened creatures”; John Backhouse, Beechwood; Anna (Bradshaw) Pease “is a charming woman and was most kind and conversable”; “Jane Gurney Backhouse came for us, so off we went. Jinny is a most lively being, seems constantly on the high key, the very tip top, but doubtless even *she* knows the reverse of this.” There is an amusing

¹ For the first list see xvii. 94, for the second list see xviii. 39, and for the third list see xix. 126.

account of the efforts of Elizabeth and her cousin, Margaret Richardson, Junr., to avoid a "family visit," which however when over was felt by the girls to be helpful to them.

MS. copy of a Journal kept by ELIZABETH ROBSON, JUNR., daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Robson, of Liverpool, in 1828, at the age of thirteen.

"20-i-1828. Went to Meeting, was rather surprised and very agreeably so to see Edward and Anna Carroll, neither of whom spoke, for which I was sorry. Barbara Hoyland preached. . . . Samuel Stansfield and William Cook spoke, many friends think they had better keep their seats. In the afternoon no one spoke. Afterwards we [Elizabeth and Mary Charlotte] went to Thomas Thompsons; came home to tea, Joseph Coventry was with us."

There are numerous references to Friends who spoke in Meeting and what was said, sometimes accompanied with chapter and verse-- E. and A. Carroll; Mary Bewley; Thomas Frankland; "was surprised by a sermon from Isaac Hadwen"; "Margaret Kershaw, a friend from Langton."

Many visits were paid to the family of Thomas Thompson, the great Quaker book collector, Frances Thompson his wife, and children, Christiana, Silvanus, etc.

"31-i-1828. E. Carroll is gone to London. Anna C. not at meeting owing to the death of her husband's sister. To-day was Monthly Meeting, on account of which we did not go to school [kept by Ann and Maria Johnson] this afternoon."

"11-ii-1828. Mother has been from home [in U.S.A.] four years and a half."

"21-ii-1828. After school we saw Punch and Judith, a pupper show."

"1-iv-1828. Third-day. To-day is April fool day; was made one myself once, but made several more."

"19-iv-1828. Went to Meeting. Two friends there, James Marriage and Robt. Alsop, also Ann Fairbank from Sheffield. James Marriage has no roof to his mouth and is difficult to understand.

"The holidays broke up 2 weeks last second day; we were glad to go to school again, as we were almost tired of the holidays."

"28-vii-1828. Martha Bright [mother of John Bright] came to tea and supper. She had come from Rochdale to take her little girls [Priscilla (later Maclaren) and Margaret (later Lucas)] to school after the holidays."

"1-vi-1828. Went to Meeting. Margaret Crosfield gave a few words of advice to young men, advising them to sit still in meeting, etc."

"1st-day, 10-viii-1828. [Elizabeth Robson landed from the *Montezuma* this day.] She has been exactly four years away to-day."

This Journal and the previous one consist of 49 pages folio.

The MS. Diary of JOHN PERRY, JUNR., from 1818 to 1842 (see xvi. 12).