

Some Data Respecting Leeds Meeting

1672

The premises belonging to Leeds Meeting were purchased of Thomas Cummins, Meadow Lane, for 64 Pounds in 1672.

The number interred from 1672 to 1706 was 209 in 34 years.

1688/9

A subscription made towards building a meeting-house amounted to £142 . 7 . 6. The first meeting was held the 24th of 7 mo—the same year the River Air was begun to be navigable.

1695

The wall built in the Burial Ground cost £16 . 4 . 6.

1697

Agreed that the week-day meeting begin at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Monthly Meetings were held at the following places :

1 mo. at Thos. Green.	7 mo. T. Greens.
2 mo. Leeds.	8 mo. Leeds.
3 mo. In Tykes.	9 mo. Halifax.
4 mo. Leeds.	10 mo. Do.
5 mo. Munkinholes.	11 mo. Jos ^a Laycocks.
6 mo. Rastrick.	12 mo. Halifax.

10 mo. 21, 1698

Only one Trustee remaining, the following Friends were appointed Trustees for the premises belonging to Leeds meeting :

John Arthington.	Sam ^l Jackson.
Benj ⁿ Horner.	John Cowel.
W ^m Benson.	John Barlow.
Moses Hulley and	Joshua North.

12th day July, 1699

The Licence granted for holding meetings at the meeting-house & at Rich^d Armisteads, Benjⁿ Horners & W^m Pycocks at Leeds, also at W^m Bensons at Armley & Joshua Norths of Wortley.

23 6 mo. 1699

Agreed that a meeting be held on first-day evening at 5 o'clock. in rotation first at Benjⁿ Horners, 2 Rich^d Armisteads, 3 at William Pycocks of Leeds. Wortley, Armley, & farnley friends left at liberty to appoint one for themselves.

1706

A meeting begun to be held at Leeds on 6 Day Evening.

(1710 ?)

Mo. Meeting held at follow^r places :

1 mo. Liversedge.	7 mo. Liversedge.
2 mo. at W. Hollins.	8 mo. W house.
3 mo. Todmorden.	9 mo. Brighouse.
4 mo. Leeds.	10 mo. Do.
5 mo. Jos ^a Laycocks.	11 mo. Jos ^a Laycock.
6 mo. Shaw Hill Do.	12 mo. Do. nr. Halifax

1709

Expences of stable East end of meeting-house £53 . 18 . 2.

Extracts from a manuscript belonging to Charles J. Holdsworth, once in the possession of George Tatham, of Leeds.

Extracts from the Minutes of Southwark Monthly Meeting

" RUDE BOYS "

1690 6m^o 13th

John Haddon & W^m Poole to Looke after y^e meeting house Doors to keepe out Rude Boyes for this Meeting.

FREE TEACHING

1697⁷/₈ xith m^o 19th

Its Agreed that the Rent of Schoole Roome att the park Meeting house that George Choaly , att 4^{li} P. Annum is to Cease the next Quarter day: and that in Lowe thereof hee is to take as many poore Friends Children to Learne them as is Equiuolent to y^e 4^{li} P. Annum Rent Which he Agrees to doe When this meeting shall Order them (noe Rent to bee paid duering this Meetings pleasuer).

ACCESS TO BURIAL GROUND

1698 9th m^o 23th

Paid for a Keay for y^e service of the Turnpike or Rayle in Whites Grounds which is giuen for the service of ffriends one Ocatione of Buryalls goeing to the New Buryall grong and is left att Joseph Wasseys for that seruice Granted by William Allerd. 9d.

DISORDERLY MARRIAGES AND BURIALS

1698⁸/₉ xith m^o 18th

This day a paper Was Rece^d from the Quarterly Meeting complaineing of Seuerall Iregular practises in cass of Marraiges as makeng of greate Dinners, att tauerns or other publick places Ill practises att nights—its the desirr of this Meeting that those practises bee wholly Auoiud it being a dishoner to our Holy profession as allsoe y^e frequent vsse of Hearses and Coaches att buryalls to bee Auoided Except vpon Some Extreordinary Ocatione.