In Preparation or Awaiting Publication

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Isabel Grubb, M.A., author of "Quakers in Ireland, 1654-1900," is working on "the Quaker contribution to humanitarian progress in business and industry in England and Ireland." She is the holder of a Woodbrooke Research Fellowship.

Reginald L. Hine, of Hitchin (non-Friend), has been engaged for twelve years on a book: The History of Hitchin. He has a comprehensive chapter on "The Quakers"—the result of much study of original sources and research in manuscript and printed authorities. The chapter begins with a quotation from "The Koran": "They who worship the Merciful One are they who walk on the earth gently and who, when fools speak to them, say, 'Peace'." The author takes an original and interesting view of many phases of Quaker belief and life and treats his subject with much sympathy. The concluding sentence runs thus: "Those whom the world sneered at as the Friends of God are now acknowledged the world over as the Friends of Men." The author does not expect to publish till the end of the year.

Miss Marjorie H. Nicolson is an American student, engaged as a Fellow of one of the American Foundations in a work on "Henry More, the Cambridge Platonist and his association with Anne, Viscountess Conway and the Group that gathered at Ragley, Warwickshire." Her work touches Quakerism at many angles; she has in hand for use letters to Anne Conway from William Penn, Thomas Bromley, Lillias Skene, and Isaac Penington. The result is to be published in two volumes, with copious illustrations.

Samuel E. Hilles, No. 911 Marion Avenue, Avondale, Cincinnati, Ohio, has in preparation Memorials of the Hilles Family, more particularly of Samuel and Margaret Hill Hilles, of Wilmington, Delaware, with some account of their ancestry. It is hoped to publish this year at the probable price of five dollars.

Luella M. Wright, of Columbia University, New York, is preparing a thesis for the degree of Ph.D., on the autobiographical works of the early Friends (approximately from 1650 to 1725). She is enquiring into "the causes historical, social, political and literary that led the early Friends into the development of a type of memoir which is peculiarly their own."

The publication of "A Quaker Saint of Cornwall" has aroused so much interest in Loveday Hambly and Friends in the Duchy and their sufferings that arrangements are being made for the printing of further information respecting these as a Supplement to the JOURNAL F.H.S. See inset in this issue.

George William Knowles, of Croydon, is preparing for the Publications of the Grotius Society a historical essay (with numerous extracts from original sources and an extensive bibliography) on the Peace Testimony of Friends, entitled: Quakers and Peace.

Richmond P. Miller, of Swarthmore College, Pa., has in preparation a study of some of the social ideals of Quakerism that were put into practice in Pennsylvania from the time of its settlement until 1756. This is in preparation for his doctoral thesis to be presented at Harvard University. Publication is not expected till next summer.

A Gook of Dreams and Wisions

A folio manuscript, which might be titled "A Book of Dreams and Visions," has recently been on loan from Thomas Reed Dyne, of Grays, Essex. The incursions into dream-land were made by Mary Rickaby, in Devonshire House, 1757; by "E. M.", who saw "a Woman Friend plainly dressed in a green apron, among the miserables" passed beyond the earth-life, "for unfaithfulness and disobedience"; by "M. Footh [? Firth], a Quaker, near Heckmondwike, in the parish of Birstall, in Yorkshire, whose dream was said to have been taken down by the priest of the parish"; by Hester Moxham, of Melksham, 1762; by John Adam, of Yorkshire, 1712, with reference to his visit to Holland; by Thomas Say, who refers to "a negro man named Cuffey," whom he saw, in his trance, depart this life; by Samuel Fothergill, related to some Friends at Wotton under Edge, in 1760; by John King, after his return from Ireland; and by a woman in the city of Cork, 1785, a copy of which was made by Joseph Williams, Jr., for Rebecca Jones.

In addition we find an account of the marriage of Mary Peisley with Samuel Neale in 1757 and of her death three days later; various references to Samuel Fothergill; dying expressions of John Woolman, 1772, William Taylor,⁶ of Manchester, 1749/50; and Samuel Fothergill.

There are letters from REBECCA GRELLET to Samuel Emlen, Junr., c. 1808; MARTHA ROUTH to her brother and sister, 1782, recording a visit from Robert Valentine ("advanced in years and rather feeble in body") and the death by drowning of her nephew (adopted son) Tommy; REBECCA JONES to Esther Tuke, written on the Atlantic, "sitting on Ann Warder's sofa with the paper on my knees and inkstand in my hand," 1788; MARY ANNE DEANE? to her parents, relating the