

Churches I met him at Adderbury, in Oxfordshire, and we conversed a little on the subject of his new vocation—I could not approve of his clerical wanderings; he made something like excuse for it ‘that however in the cross, and however strange it might seem, that he should be so *led*’ &c.—but this is the usual cant of such occasions.—The fact was, he had got *an habit* of preaching, and could not be happy without exercising his mental powers in that way.”

THOMAS FOSTER (c. 1759-1834), of Bromley, Middlesex, wrote several controversial and anti-orthodox pamphlets. See *Pen Pictures*.

GEORGE HARRISON (c. 1747-1827), of Wandsworth, Co. Surrey, was a barrister by profession, and a man of very independent judgment. See *Pen Pictures*.

[Knowing this case, and perhaps others similar, when clerk of London and Middlesex Q.M. I read the opening minute *before* the devotional pause.—EDITOR.]

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### Extracts from the Parish Register of Aldborough near Boroughbridge, Yorkshire

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1664. Rachel d. of Richard Blackburne of Aldburgh, Quaker bap:  
11 June.
1665. Ellen d. of Richard Robinson of Roccliffe Quaker bapt. 12 November.
1667. Margaret d. of Rich: Robinson of Roccliffe, a quaker bapt. 10 May.
1662. Marie d. Rich: Blackburne, a Quaker of Aldb: bapt. 9 Nov:  
Isaac son of Rich: Blackburne of Aldb: a Quaker bap. 9 Nov:  
Abigail d. of Rich: Blackburne of Aldb: a Quaker, bap. 9 Nov:
1672. Emmet d. of Rich: Blackburne of Aldb: bap: 5 Mar:
1678. Richard s. of Rich. Blackburne of Aldb: bap: 28 May. (bur, 1678  
17 July).
1679. Peter s. of Rich: Blackburne of Aldb: bap. 13 Jan.
1680. Richard Blackburne of Aldb. bur. 16 Dec.
1663. These persons were denounced excommunicate by D<sup>tor</sup> Burwel's  
order Jan: 17. 1663 . . . . Rich: Blackburne,  
Dorothie his wife.
1644. Richard Blackeburne & Dorothie Neele marr: 29 November.
1675. Richard Blackburne & Dorothy Poole marr. 25 November.

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