

was opened some years later, there was a Station at Pontefract (3 miles off) and, later a line passed through Ackworth itself.

The journey from Tottenham (whence the party started) to Ackworth would now take under 6½ hours.

From the MSS. in the possession of Elizabeth Fox Howard, 1933.

In 1840 Sarah Atkinson of Bristol travelled by train to Bath. She wrote of it: "I do not prefer it to coach travelling. When the line is open to the country, you are not aware of the speed at which you are travelling, but when there are high banks on each side of the line it is very painful to the head and eyes; were I to travel far by railroad I should be obliged to refrain from looking out of the windows."

From the *Families of Atkinson and Dearman*, by Harold W. Atkinson, 1933, p. 24.

Moone of Woodplumpton

"The second chapter of Dilworth Abbatt's valuable survey of Quakerism in parts of Lancashire—*Quaker Annals of Preston and the Fylde, 1653-1900*,¹ deals with "The Moone Family of Woodplumpton." John Moone, son of parents who joined Friends about 1653, was born about 1620 at Woodplumpton. He became a prominent Friend, travelled to the south and took part in a controversy at Leominster and attended the Fox—Fell wedding at Bristol. He died at his home, Carr House, near Garstang, Lancs. in 1689.

Joseph Smith has five items under John Moone in his "Catalogue," but his description was probably in error. It was a nephew, John Moone, who lived at Bristol and emigrated to America. The elder John had also a nephew Paul Moone, of Bristol, currier, a prominent Friend.

Latin Class at Ackworth

"The boys who have been but a short time in the Latin Class have a fair acquaintance with the rudiments of the language.

"The Boys who have been in the Class for a longer period exhibit a fair progress, and construe in the Delectus with considerable facility.

"The highest class is reduced to one boy & he was examined along with the junior Apprentices; their reading in Caesar and Virgil was satisfactory to the Committee.

"On behalf of the Examining Committee

8 mo. 29, 1844.

"JOHN BRIGHT."

From the Martha Spriggs Collection.

¹ London: Headley, pp. 168, sixteen illustrations. 7s. 6d. net.