

Two Rare Early Quaker Tracts

HENRY J. CADBURY has presented to the Library, Friends House, photostatic copies of the following :

John Hodgson : *A Letter from a Member of the Army to the Committee of Safety, and Councill of Officers of the Army, that they May do that which is Required of them.*

. . . London : Printed for Giles Calvert, at the Black-Spread-Eagle near the West end of Pauls, 1659. 4to, 8 pp. It is dated 8th day of the 9th month.

It resembles the many other Quaker appeals to the interregnum government and is of interest as being written by one of the Cromwellian Quaker soldiers. The author is not mentioned in the list of these in M. E. Hirst : *Quakers in Peace and War*. A Friend of this name is mentioned in Besse's *Sufferings* in 1660 and 1662 at Sedbergh in the West Riding of Yorkshire. Smith's *Catalogue* lists one work by John Hodgson, but not this one.

Elizabeth Redford : *The Love of God is to Gather the Seasons of the Earth, and their Multitudes into Peace, in opening the Scriptures and the Mysteries of the Revelations to them.* . . . No printer, place or date. Large 4to, 8 pp.

The author wrote about the end of the seventeenth century. Smith's *Catalogue* mentions one work, not this. There are three other works by her in the British Museum.

The originals of both these works are in the F. L. Gay gift at Harvard University, and are believed to be unique, there being no copy in the British Museum, the MacAlpine Collection, New York, Haverford or Swarthmore Colleges, or Friends House, London. Notes kindly supplied by Henry J. Cadbury.