

and did not know which grave was William's. What the present writer believes happened was that they were handed the Sparkes plan by the caretaker, a farm-labourer's wife, and seeing five lines in a row drawn on it, counted five graves across and assumed, in error, it was Penn's.

This Dixon plan does, however, seem to have misled future generations, including the producers of a little 1853 guide to Jordans, as well as whoever set up those stones. The plain fact is that this does not square with the Hannah Penn-Prince Butterfield-Benjamin Anderson link with William Penn's interment, as given in *Select Miscellanies*, which is the only one having the stamp of authenticity.

JACK CAUDLE.

George Fox to Margaret Fox

More Swarthmore Documents in America

ATTENTION was called in this *Journal* in 1914 to five letters of George Fox to his wife, from Worcester and London, 1673-4.¹ They were printed *verbatim* and *litteratim*, with one exception. That was a holgraph manuscript formerly owned by Sir Joseph Cockfield Dimsdale and then recently sold at auction to "a gentleman residing in Philadelphia." Requests to copy it or photograph it were declined.² It has now been traced to the Autograph Collection of Simon Gratz of Philadelphia, which contained some 66,000 items, and came after his death in 1925 to the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, with whose permission it is now transcribed and published.

Since it was once at Swarthmore Hall, re-read and endorsed by George Fox, it should have been included in the volume *The Swarthmore Documents in America*, Supplement No. 20 to this *Journal*, 1940, with thirty-five such documents, or with the two papers later published in this *Journal* as nos. xxxvi, xxxvii.³ It is part of a series of letters from George to Margaret

¹ *Jnl. F.H.S.*, xi, pp. 97-103, 157-158.

² *Ibid.*, p. 103, the sale of Walter V. Daniell of London, November, 1913. It had been advertised and sold at Christie's 9th April, 1913. See *The Friend* (London), 53 (1913), p. 265.

³ Vol. 40, 1948, pp. 25-31.

Fox in this period mentioned in the *Annual Catalogue of George Fox's Papers*, several of them like this having been included in the *Great Journal* (J). This was 17, 80 F. Like other originals, part of it had been crossed through, perhaps in order to be omitted in printing.

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GEORGE FOX to MARGARET FOX. *London, 7.v.1674.*

der hart to whom is my love & to all the childeren & thomas
& all the rest of friends in the trouth & if thou findeth it lieth
upon thee thou may goe over to the wimenes meeting in
west mor land¹ j recvd thy letter & I would not have you to
take up or brow mony in the contary for mee to pay mee j
had rather doe it my selvef but what you can make of your
corne or yong beace² to wardes it you may let mee know
when it is don & then i can order it but i would have you to
pay them at london that which you have promesed ther or any
wher else according to your time & word what ever j doe or is
for mee i have been ver besy this time & I was at Kingshon³
2 nightes & the ar well & next 5 day⁴ i set forord to wooster
& i canot right fully of that as yet soe in hast my love to you
all for I am fiting for my jorny and things are prety well
blesed be the lord jarat robardes⁵ is to goe to the counsell the
next 6 day & after you may her more london gff mo:5
day 7: 1674.

[Address in same hand] this for : m : ff Swarthmore

[Endorsement by George Fox, partly trimmed off] - - - london
1674 7mo woster

[Endorsed in 19th-century hand] Geo Fox to his Wife, written
in London 9th mo. 5. 1674

[Endorsed by Simon Gratz in pencil] A.L.S. With his usual
signature "G.ff." George Fox (1624-1691) Founder of the
Society of Friends. Visited the colonies of Md., N.J., and New
England. See Appleton.

¹ The next eight lines of print, from "j recvd thy letter . . ." up to ". . . & the ar well", contain matter which in the letter has been crossed through with a single line.

² Beasts?

³ Kingston-on-Thames, at the home of John and Margaret (Fell) Rous.

⁴ 9.v.1674. See Edward Haistwell's letter of 15.v.1674, printed in the *Journal*, Cambridge edition, ii, 289-90.

⁵ Gerard Roberts.

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It may be appropriate in this connexion to mention another paper in the same collection which is also in Fox's handwriting.¹ It also is endorsed in pencil by Simon Gratz: "Handwriting of George Fox 1624-1691 the founder of the Society of Friends." A less modern but not contemporary hand has endorsed it on the back in ink: "[Le]tter from Geo. Fox to Margt. Fox in 1673 [his] own handwriting." The recto shows that it is cut out of a larger page than was known to the endorser. The top and both sides have been trimmed off. It measures about $2\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

Suspecting that it was rather a general epistle, perhaps printed, I consulted Lewis Benson who has a partial concordance to much of Fox's writing, and we were soon convinced that this was part of a holograph original of no. 295 in Fox's *Epistles* (Ed. 1698, p. 327; ed. 1831, vol. 8, p. 45). The printed date coincides with that of the endorsement, 1673, but the printed address is merely "Friends." The manuscript Annual Catalogue, 12, 14 F; 17, 43 F, indicates that copies of this Epistle existed on pages 91 and 136 in the large MS. folio N into which many of what we call Swarthmore MSS. (especially vol. vii) had been copied.² This fragment may be part of an original MS. of the same kind. The original endorsement if any and the address were lost in trimming. If it was addressed to Margaret Fox, the editor of the *Epistles* changed it, as he did with Epistle 31.

In order to indicate the relation of its text to the printed epistle, the last half of that is presented below with the words and letters of the mutilated manuscript's lines in italics. I suspect the editor of the *Epistles* added the words "right" (line 3) and "word" (line 4).

. . . So that knowledge and familiarity is as grass
that withers; but the Word of the Lord
endureth for ever & the right knowledge of one another is
this, to *know one another in that Word which was in the*
beginning before man fell
for man *liveth not by bread alone* but by every word
that *proceedeth out of the mouth* of God. This is the
fresh & heavenly food from above & above all the husks that the
swineherd feedeth his swine with in the unrepented state.

HENRY J. CADBURY.

¹ Autograph Collection of Simon Gratz, case 8, box 9. There is no evidence that it came from the Dimsdale MSS.

² See *Annual Catalogue of George Fox's Papers*, 1939, p. 3.