

Reports on Archives

Among the "Principal accessions received by the Gloucestershire Records Office, 1964" noted in the *Transactions of the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society*, vol. 84, for 1965, is the following item (p. 184):

Society of Friends: Gloucester Monthly Meeting minutes, 1820-34 (addnl.).

Lincolnshire Archives Committee. Archivists' report, 16: 1st April 1964-31st March 1965.

Society of Friends, additional deposit: Lincoln, minutes of preparative meetings 1895-1948 with accounts, correspondence and notes re cases of conscientious objectors 1914-18, deposited by Mr. N. Ingram.

London: Greater London Record Office, Middlesex Records, 1965.

Guide to the Middlesex sessions records, 1549-1889. Prepared for the Standing Joint Committee of the County of Middlesex. K. Goodacre, clerk to the Committee; E. Doris Mercer, county archivist.

The guide includes a section on religion, and in particular registers of Quakers' and dissenters' meeting houses, registered under 1 W. and M., c.18.

Northamptonshire Archives Committee: Annual report, 1st April 1964 to 31st March 1965.

List of donors and depositors, 1964-5: (pp. 21, 23):

Record Clerk, Wellingborough and Northampton Monthly Meeting, Society of Friends. Records of the Northampton and Wellingborough Monthly Meetings (also of the former Bugbrooke Monthly Meeting, and of Kettering, Northampton and Wellingborough preparative meetings), 1647-1929.

The Librarian, Library of the Society of Friends: Minutes of the Northamptonshire Quarterly Meeting, 1725-1843, and of the Bucks, and Northants Quarterly Meeting, 1843-65.

(There is a brief descriptive note on Friends' records in the county on pp. 11-12 of this report.)

Oxfordshire County Council: Record publication no. 4. Summary catalogue of the privately-deposited records in the Oxfordshire County Record Office. Published by the Clerk of the County Council, County Hall, Oxford.

The following items are included:

1 *Depositor* Mrs. Dilworth Abbatt.

Deeds: Sibford Gower and Burdrop 1720-1814 (19).

Probate: Wills and probates: of Thos. Gilkes of Sibford Gower

1720, 1721(1); of Thos. Norton of Sibford Gower 1735, 1737 (1); of Thos. Harris of Bloxham 1757 (1); of Thos. French of Sibford Gower 1808 (1).

Quakers: Marriage certificate Sibford Ferris 1737 (1); alphabetical vols. of births, marriages and deaths prepared for Banbury Monthly Meeting nineteenth century. (3).

Misc.: Book of poems (copy) by Thos. Ellwood and Ant. Purver late eighteenth century. (1).

301 *Depositor* Mrs. S. G. Shilson.

Remarks: These deeds mainly concern the Spendlove family of Charlbury.

Deeds: Various lands and houses including "The Star" and a house next to the Quaker Meeting House in Charlbury held of the manor 1748-1825 (67).

302 *Depositor* Governing Body of Sibford School, Sibford Ferris.

Education: Minute books of committee and subcommittee of Sibford School established by the Quarterly Meetings of the Society of Friends for Berks and Oxon, Northants and Bucks 1839-1921 (7); school admission registers 1841-1906 (2).

582 From the Society of Friends, Banbury Meeting.

Records of the Banbury Monthly Meeting of the Society of Friends, 1632-twentieth century.

Somerset Record Office: List of Main Manuscript Accessions, July 1963-June 1964 *in* Proceedings of the Somersetshire Archaeological & Natural History Society for 1963-4, vol. 108 (1964), p. 165 includes:

The records of the Bristol and Somerset Quarterly Meeting of the Society of Friends, comprising men's minutes, 1668-1858, women's minutes, 1784-1883, half year's meeting minutes, 1719-1868, minutes of ministers and elders, 1758-1865, Suffering books, 1656-1827, "Bristol MSS." (Epistles of early Friends, etc.), 1658-1746, "Christian and brotherly Advices," 1672-1773.

Government of Northern Ireland: Public Record Office.

Report of the deputy keeper of the records for the years 1954-9. Presented to Parliament, January 1966. (Belfast, H.M. Stationery Office, 10s. Cmd. 490).

This report includes summary inventory of accessions, and indexes of names, places and subjects. Deposits received during the period include the following:

Miss A. H. Barcroft, Moneymore, co. Londonderry.

c. 50 documents . . . Barcroft family, together with genealogical notes relating to the Barcroft, Hogg, Malcolmson, Richardson and Webb families. Counties Antrim, Tyrone and Armagh, c. 1700-c. 1900. D.979.

M. C. Bryans, Berkhamsted, Herts.

7 documents . . . Quaker marriage certificate, James Pillar, Culkeeran, with Arabella English, Oldcastle, co. Meath, 1766. T.1334.

Miss Sheila Greer, Tullaghoge, co. Tyrone.

c. 100 documents . . . Sanderson and Greer families, 1630–
c. 1900. *T.1173.*

V. McG. Greer, Moneymore, co. Londonderry.

c. 1,000 documents. Correspondence of the Greer family of
Dungannon, co. Tyrone, 1717–1891. The letters which form
the main section of this collection were written to and by the
second Thomas Greer, 1724–1803. *D.1044.*

Longfield, Kelly & Armstrong, Solicitors, Dungannon.

c. 30,000 documents. (Include family documents of Barcroft,
Greer, Richardson families.)

J. S. W. Richardson, Bessbrook, co. Armagh.

250 documents . . . Richardson family, 1806–*c.* 1910. *D. 1006.*

c. 300 documents and volumes. Minutes and account books, of
the Bessbrook Weaving Company, Bessbrook, Co. Armagh,
1881–1956. *D.1133.*

c. 150 documents. These include the correspondence between
Elizabeth Goff, Horetown, Co. Wexford, and numerous rela-
tives, 1760–1814. The letters are principally concerned with
family affairs and with the Society of Friends, but there is
some reference to the impact of the 1798 Rebellion upon
Dublin. *T.1621.*

Miss Muriel Richardson, Belfast.

8 documents. These include the correspondence between
James N. Richardson, Lisburn, Co. Antrim and Edward Pease,
Darlington, Yorkshire, 1833–47. The letters are principally
concerned with family affairs and with the Society of Friends,
and include a comment on the future of Quakerism in Van
Diemen's Land. *T.1489.*

Mrs. G. Watt, Edinburgh.

c. 40 documents. These include. title deeds to property in
Rathfryland, co. Down, including the Quaker meeting house,
Murphy family, 1677–1808. *D.687.*