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Editorial

EDWIN BRONNER'S Presidential Address to the Society, delivered at Exeter on Saturday, August 15, 1970, under the title: "The Other Branch: relationships between London Yearly Meeting and the Hicksites in the 19th century", is published separately. The lecture was given in the Newman Building, University of Exeter, at the time of London Yearly Meeting, then being held for the first time in the city of Exeter.

The Autumn meeting was held at Friends House, London, November 6, 1970, and was addressed by Jennie Ellinor, formerly headmistress of Friends' School, Saffron Walden. The address concerned the school's forerunner, and was entitled: "Clerkenwell in the 18th century: a study in Quaker attitudes in education." We hope to publish this in a future issue.

We are pleased to print some notes by another of our transatlantic Presidents, if Henry J. Cadbury will excuse the term, when he has done so much to elucidate obscure passages in Quaker history on this side of the ocean as well as on his own. The contributions fill in gaps in our information on the First Publishers of Truth, and concern Sebastian Franck.

Andrew W. Brink, of the English department of McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, studies the connections between John Milton and Friends, basing his observations on the evidence and opinions recently made available in William Riley Parker's magisterial biography of the poet.

In the field of eighteenth-century history, we have a paper by David M. Butler, of Kendal, on the Northern Yearly Meeting, which throughout the century held meetings annually in places in the north west of England, from Longtown near Carlisle in the north to Newcastle-under-Lyme in the south, but never once in Manchester.

Following his work on the Quaker deputation to Russia just before the Crimean War, which appeared in our last number, Stephen Frick contributes a paper on his research into the *Christian Appeal* for peace, drafted and circulated by Meeting for Sufferings in London, December 1854–April 1855.

Last year's president, William H. Marwick, continues his studies on Scottish Friends with a paper on twentieth century developments.

The number also includes a brief description by Dr. J. S. Andrews of Lancaster University Library surveying the Lancaster University Quaker Collection. There are the usual features concerning Historical Research, Archives and Notes and Queries.

Volume 52 of the *Journal* will be completed in the fourth number (for 1971) which will include the volume index.

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