

of 89 separate preparative meetings are listed) but also by the variety of local Quaker organisations, particularly during the nineteenth century: essay societies and book clubs, peace associations and branches of the Missionary Helpers' Union and the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavour, for example.

It is not, of course, a full guide to every record concerning Yorkshire Quakers. Records generated by Friends at national level are excluded and only the personal, family and business papers held by the three partner universities are included. Business and personal papers in local record offices and in private hands are not covered. Nevertheless, this is an extremely valuable addition to the literature on Quaker sources, and is a model of succinct and user-friendly guidance. Oh that similar research guides might be compiled for other regions!

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The publication of the transcript of the 1678 edition of Barclay's *Apology* by Quaker Heritage Press (QHP) finally brought home to me the immense value of the work of Licia and Larry Kuenning in their commitment to producing affordable and accurate editions of these critically important early Quaker works. Postgraduates and other scholars now have easy access to reliable sources. In particular, the QHP edition of the *Apology* helps us all avoid using the heavily edited and 'translated' work by Dean Freiday which had become so popular that it was often taken as a transcript by unaware readers. Licia Kuenning writes,

Quakerism today does not know where it came from: most Friends are uninformed or misinformed about what their predecessors believed and practiced. Historians try to explain the past but often color it with their interpretations. Believing that there is no substitute for primary sources, we try to restore some of the vast heritage of Quaker writings of the seventeenth, eighteenth and nineteenth centuries in which modern Friends are illiterate. Our resources permit us to publish only a small portion of these writings; we hope others will take up the challenge to republish other texts.

Below is a list of the works printed by Quaker Heritage Press, complete with the Press' description of each. All are hardbound except the *Epistle to Nimeguen*. Several of these, and some additional texts, are also online at www.qhpress.org

- Robert Barclay's *Apology for the True Christian Divinity* (original text of 1678, not the 'modern English' edition that has been the only version in print for many years). QHP edition (with Peter D. Sippel) 2002. viii + 536 pp. \$24.00.
- *Works of James Nayler*, Vol. 1. This is the first of a planned four volumes, the first complete edition of the works of this early Quaker who was second only to

George Fox in his leadership role during 1652-56. Based on original editions and manuscripts. Volume 1 covers 1653-54. QHP edition 2003. x + 566 pp. \$25.00.

- *The Old Discipline: nineteenth-century Friends' Disciplines in America*. The classic Quaker book of discipline varied little from the end of the eighteenth century until, in some cases, the early twentieth. This volume reprints disciplines of the eight oldest yearly meetings in America and tracks their changes through separations and revisions. QHP edition 1999. iv + 476 pp. \$20.00.
- *Historical Writings of Quakers Against War*. Includes Thomas Lurting's *The Fighting Sailor Turned Peaceable Christian*, Jonathan Dymond's *Inquiry into the Accordancy of War with the Principles of Christianity*, and three smaller works. QHP edition 2002. iv + 188 pp. \$10.00.
- *Job Scott's Essays on Salvation by Christ and the debate following their publication*. Includes Job Scott's preface and three essays transcribed from the 1831 Works; also Luke Howard's *Letter to a Friend in America*, Benjamin Ferris's *Letter from a Friend in America to Luke Howard*, an anonymous reply to Ferris, and Job Scott's last epistle. QHP edition 1993. vi + 154 pp. \$9.25.
- *Works of Isaac Pennington*, vol. 1. This republication of Pennington's collected works improves on the last edition (1863) by giving dates for most articles, and including a few items that were not in earlier collections. Volume 1 contains Isaac Pennington's writings from 1658 to about 1660. Also includes J. Bevan's 1830 review of Pennington's writings, and a paper written by Pennington before he became a Quaker ('A Touchstone or Trial of Faith', 1648). QHP edition 1995. vi + 538 pp. \$21.00.
- *Works of Isaac Pennington*, vol. 2. Contains tracts and letters written from about 1660 to 1666. QHP edition 1994. iv + 508 pp. \$18.00.
- *Works of Isaac Pennington*, vol. 3. Contains Pennington's writings from 1667 to about 1678, including 83 pages of Pennington's personal letters of advice and admonition. QHP edition 1996. vi + 538 pp. \$21.00.
- *Works of Isaac Pennington*, vol. 4. Contains Pennington's posthumously published writings, plus a new 38-page index to the 4-volume set. QHP edition 1997. vi + 474 pp. \$20.00.
- Robert Barclay, *An Epistle of Love and Friendly Advice to the Ambassadors Met at Nimeguen [on the] Cause of the Present War...and the...Means for...Peace*. QHP edition (with Peter Sippel) 2003. ii + 14 pp. \$1.50.

The Kuennings also manage an e-mail forum, Q-Text, for consultation among people engaged in republishing old Quaker texts, either in print or online.

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