

if the Mo. Mtg. unites with us in taking a favourable view of the application."

But the Monthly Meeting did not unite and decided after a month's delay, "not to accede to the proposal made by him".

Presumably he passed his remaining days with his daughters at Nailsworth. He was buried at Shortwood, under the impression of his friends that he was a member of Devonshire House M.M. but the membership was afterwards questioned.

In Appendix II to his *Statistics of Insanity*, 1845, Dr. Thurnam, of The Retreat, York, acknowledges his "obligation to the respected recording clerk of the Society, James Bowden" for his work on "Contributions to the Statistics of the Society of Friends". He also refers to the Friends Registers and the Act of Parliament.

To be continued.

Unsuccessful Proposals for Marriage

"I was at Falmouth to meeting last week; friends mostly well there. Ann Dale and A. Womersly are at Roscrow on a visit, the former keeps a handsome Carriage—she is the Person Joshua made an offer to, but it is quite over. A. Womersly is the person that Edwin Price paid his addresses to, but that is also at an end as Edwin is still in a consumption & it was thought best to give the matter up on both sides. . . His sister Junia."

Anna (Thomas) Thompson, from Belair near Penryn, to her daughter Mary Westlake, of Southampton. 8th mo. 19th, 1818.

[A.D. had numerous suitors. She married William Ball.]

Engaged Couples in One House

Quarter-Meeting 29 day 10/mo. 1680:

"Whereas a case was stated Concerning Friends that live together in one house & are concerned in relation to Marriage, the question was whether two friends so Concerned dwelling in one house should be separated from each other during their Concern before Marriage; its the advice of this Meeting that the one of them remove, because the Continuance of such together in one family have tended to ye dishonour of Truth & grief of ye Faithful."

From Minute Book of Marsden (Lancashire) Preparative Meeting, 1696-1733, in D.