

paid off by the Trustees when the a/c ended in 1805. The Trustees' account book reveals that in 1808 the Trustees reimbursed the Circuit Steward £198 to clear the debt contracted during his stewardship.

It is clear from the evidence of the books that the responsibility arising from the Circuit deficiencies was mainly shouldered by the Trustees of the Town Church. F. H. MILLS.

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WESLEYANA IN HEADINGLEY COLLEGE LIBRARY.

Through the kindness of Dr. Vincent Taylor, the Principal, the writer has had the opportunity of a thorough examination of the Library at Wesley College, Headingley, Leeds. Unfortunately, many of the most valuable books and manuscripts, things really unique, have had to be placed out of reach of students, as well as bombs, for the duration of the war.¹ There remains, however, a corner of the Library that contains much material interesting to the student of Methodist History. There are many tracts, mostly dealing with the various controversies which troubled Methodism for sixty years after John Wesley's death. A large number of these pamphlets and handbills belonged to Rev. James Loutit, who ministered from 1825 until 1885, and they contain his annotations and comments, as well as occasional clues to the identity of anonymous writers. There are also tracts which belonged to Rev. John Lyth, D.D., including original *Fly-Sheets* posted to him. The literature surrounding the birth of the Methodist New Connexion is also well represented. The library also contains, in addition to a long run of the *Arminian Magazine*, a complete run of a more unfamiliar publication, the "Report of the Wesleyan Theological Institution," from 1835 to the present day.

The Library has a good and varied stock of the publications of the Wesleys, some of special interest. There is, for example, a copy of the first volume of Charles Wesley's *Short Hymns on Select Passages of the Holy Scriptures* (Green 214), with many

1. For the Wesley documents at Headingley College, see *Proceedings*, V. 228.

inscriptions, the first being "The Gift of the Author to Thomas Bryant, July 31, 1763" Four volumes of Wesley's *Concise History of England* (of which the Library possesses two sets) contain the following inscription stencilled on the verso of the title-page "Francis West/ 1796, /Mr. J. Wesley's Legacy." * Two books (Green 208, 8th ed. 1780, and Green 246) are inscribed "John Burdsall" and "J. Burdsall" respectively, apparently the famous "Dicky" Burdsall's son, who edited his father's Life.

There remain a number of items which can be made to throw additional light on Wesley's activities as a publisher, either by adding to the number of publications listed in Green's *Wesley Bibliography*, or by giving more details about some already there described.

The writer never expected to be able to point to a work definitely sponsored by Wesley, yet overlooked by Green's diligent eye. Such is the case, however. According to Green's principles of compilation, the following items should surely have been included in his *Wesley Bibliography*, occupying the position "407 A." It is in almost exactly the same category as the entries under 231 and 359:—

A Sermon, preached at Leeds, July 29th, 1789, before the Methodist Preachers, (Assembled in Conference) and a large Body of the People in connection with them: and now published at the request of many of the hearers. By James Hamilton, M.D. Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh (Acts ii, 17, 18) London: Printed for the Author, and to be had at the Rev. Mr. Wesley's Preaching-Houses in Town and Country. MDCCXC. 8vo, pp.20.

p. (2) is blank, whilst on p. (3), in bold type, is the following preface by Wesley:—"To the Reader. The following Discourse will recommend itself to all impartial persons. It contains deep and weighty Truths, particularly needful to be considered at this time; especially by the people called Methodists, that they may fully understand, and thankfully improve the invaluable Privileges which they enjoy.

John Wesley. London, City-Road, Feb. 28th, 1790"

The sermon is on Jeremiah vii.4, and pleads with the Methodist people to remain true to the Church of England. It is dated at the end, "Dunbar, January 1, 1790," and is followed by

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2. This is of special interest to me. Francis West was my late wife's great-grandfather. His ministerial dates were 1793-1820. His son, Francis Athow West, was President of the Wesleyan Conference in 1857. F.F.B.

An Hymn which combines various verses from Charles Wesley's Short Hymns &c. ³

Hamilton apparently undertook the financial responsibility for the publication of this sermon, but he undoubtedly got Wesley's full approval and support for it. He waited on Wesley in the early morning of Monday, the 22nd of February, 1790, probably leaving the sermon for Wesley's consideration. On the following Sunday, Wesley wrote the preface giving the pamphlet the official status of a "Wesley publication." ⁴

There are several other publications which may have been issued either by Thomas Coke or by Wesley. On examining three of the earliest of these at Headingley College, the writer came to feel that they were probably, almost certainly, published by Wesley, and should therefore be included in the *Wesley Bibliography*. These are:—

An Extract of the Rev. Dr. Coke's Journal: from Gravesend to Antigua, in a Letter to the Rev. J. Wesley. London: Printed by J. Paramore, at the Foundry, Upper-Moorfields 1787. 12 mo. pp. 12. Dated at the beginning "Antigua, Jan. 2, 1787."

A Continuation of Dr. Coke's Journal: in two Letters to the Rev. J. Wesley. London: Printed by J. Paramore, at the Foundry, Upper Moorfields: and sold at the New Chapel, City Road, and at the Rev. Mr. Wesley's Preaching-Houses in Town and Country 1787. 12 mo. pp. 12, the letters being dated "Dominica, Jan. 15, 1787," and "St. Eustatius, Jan. 31, 1787."

A Farther Continuation of Dr. Coke's Journal: In a Letter to the Rev. J. Wesley, London: Printed by J. Paramore, at the Foundry, Upper Moorfields: and sold at the New Chapel, City Road; and at the Rev. Mr. Wesley's Preaching-Houses in Town and Country, 1787. 12 mo. p. 11. This is not dated, but on p. 11 Coke says "On Monday the 25th of June, by the mercy of God, we came safe into Dublin-Bay after a passage of twenty-nine days. And was received in much love by our Irish Brethren. . . ."

The above pamphlets seem to have a better claim to inclusion than the three *Minutes of some Late Conversations between the Rev. Thomas Coke, LL.D., and Others* (Green 374, 387, 398), which were almost certainly published by Coke on his own responsibility. The title "Thomas Coke. LL.D." almost invariably occurs on publications which received Coke's direct oversight, whilst plain

3. See *Postical Works* 9: 468-471. The hymn comprises the first two verses from 1267, the first two from 1268 (slightly altered), and 1271.
4. For Adam Clarke's description of the Bristol people's reluctance to purchase this sermon, see *Proceedings* xviii, 23.

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"Dr. Coke" seems distinctly a touch of John Wesley's hand. Various letters suggest that in 1787 Wesley was anxiously waiting for news from Coke, and even expected a "Journal"—see *Standard Letters*, VII 371, 380, 383. It would, of course, have been possible for Coke himself to have these extracts published, after he had arrived in England in July. But to do this he would either have to use the originals or copies of them. It is possible that he did keep copies of such letters, although even so he would surely consult their recipient before publishing them. It seems more likely, however, that during their many long talks together that summer Wesley and Coke agreed jointly to publish the extracts in penny pamphlets, Wesley leaving most of the details to Coke, though one cannot help feeling that the title-pages are the work of Wesley's pen. Whether this be so or not, it is practically certain that Wesley was at the very least consulted about the publication of these pamphlets, even if not more actively engaged. Being copies of documents originally written to Wesley, and published at his press, probably, though not certainly, under his own supervision, these pamphlets surely merit at least a cursory mention in a study of "Wesley Bibliography."

The same remarks probably hold good about the following titles, which I take from Osborn's *Outlines of Wesleyan Bibliography*, not yet having examined original copies :

Some Account of the late Missions to the West Indies, in two Letters to the Rev. J. Wesley from the Rev. Dr. Coke, London, 1789. pp. 12.

A Further Account of Ditto. in a Letter, &c. London 1789. 12 mo. pp. 12.

A Journal of the Rev. Dr. Coke's Visit to Jamaica, and of his third Tour of the Continent of America. London, 1789, 12 mo. pp. 16.

An Account of the Great Revival of the Work of God in the City of Dublin, London. 1790, 12 mo. pp. 12.

A Journal of the Rev. Dr. Coke's third Tour through the West Indies. London, 1791, 12 mo. pp. 12, (In two Letters to Wesley) According to a recent Catalogue.

A Continuation of Ditto. London, 1791. 12 mo, pp. 16.

In none of the above cases, however, can one feel any certainty about the amount of collaboration between Wesley and Coke involved in publishing the pamphlets, though that there was some collaboration one is absolutely convinced.

We come now to items about which there is no trace of speculation, but matters of fact adding to our knowledge of

Wesley's publishing proclivities. Some time ago the present writer, in preparing "More 'Additional Notes to Wesley Bibliography'" (see *Proceedings*: xxi: 132-3, 155-8) said "Many other said editions which must have existed have not yet been noted. Possibly they await discovery in other Methodist libraries." That view has since been confirmed by examination of the Wesleyana in Headingley College and in Kingswood School. In those two libraries alone 31 new editions have been noted, and fuller descriptions supplied of 45 more, usually where Green, contrary to his custom, had omitted such information as the printer's name, and thus led one to believe that the edition had been published without such details. Most of these are tabulated below, with other notes, under the number which the item bears in Green's *Wesley Bibliography*. The editions described from copies in the Kingswood School Library are designated thus—"K.S").⁵

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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE W.H.S.

It is not surprising that under present circumstances the annual meeting of the W.H.S was not large. But those who attended enjoyed a happy hour together, held a useful conversation, and transacted the necessary business carefully. It was noted with interest that all the sections of Methodism which united in 1932 were represented. This indicates that progress is being made in securing the co-operation of Methodists who were not brought up in the Wesleyan section.

The meeting was held at the Ladywood Methodist Church, Roundhay, Leeds, where a comfortable room was placed at our disposal.

Those who know Leeds only as a great manufacturing centre would be surprised at the beauty of the premises, bright with trees and lawn. The Rev. F. V. Walker presided.

5. The beautiful and well-kept library of Kingswood School, Bath, is a storehouse of many unique Wesleyana, which formed part of the library which Wesley himself accumulated there. There are a number containing autographs, dates, or comments. The present writer is preparing a complete survey of this material, a task which has been delayed by the war situation. The bibliographical items, however, may fittingly be included here, with the exception of some notes on the various editions of Wesley's *Journals*, which merit a separate article.

any heading intending to supply that afterwards. But in my hurry I folded it without completing, hence as it may be thought it was the cause of some wonder and might have been serious had not my friend been a forbearing young lady.

It was during this year that the Clergyman of Brixton caused us to be put out of our preaching house at that place, hoping of course to put us out of the Parish. This took place early in the year 1837 when the snow lay deep on the ground. But the warm-hearted people worshipped in the open-air and a friend who had a small freehold sold us a site on which we got to work building a Chapel. To get money we had to beg and were often in some difficulty but the Lord brought us through. On one occasion we were in need of £18 to pay a bill but had only £8, calling, however on a Wesleyan, who had befriended us, he expressed his pleasure at my calling and smilingly said "I have £10 for you, the gift of a Churchman, who believing you to be a good and persecuted people, wishes to help you." So instead of being driven from the place we have for 40 years been able to worship God in our own sanctuary, a freehold from which no one dare remove us. A wonderful change has taken place both spiritually and materially among our friends since that period. It is pleasing to think of the blessed effects of humble labour in spreading among the people the Gospel of Christ.

(This ends the fragment of auto-biography.)

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In the course of his examination of the Wesleyana in the Library at Headingley College and Kingswood School, as referred to in our last issue, Mr. Baker found 31 new editions, and further particulars to add to the descriptions of 45 others which have already been recorded. The numbers prefixed to each of the following paragraphs are those of the sections in Green's *Wesley Bibliography*, the letters K.S. being added in the case of items found at Kingswood.

10. Add "At the end of the 'Abstract' is a page of "Books printed for, and sold by J. Oswald." (K.S.)
15. The Second and Third Editions have title-pages almost identical with that of the first, not only being "Printed by W. Strahan," but also "sold by James Hutton, Bookseller, at the Bible and Sun, without Temple-Bar; and at Mr. Bray's, a Brazier in Little-Britain."

17. *Add* an edition "London: Printed by John Paramore, at the Foundry, Upper-Moorfields. 1783," one of the tract series, inscribed "This Book is not to be sold, but given away." *Add* Fourteenth Edition, "London: Printed by A. Paris, Took's Court, Chancery Lane; for the Rev. Dr. T. Coke, and sold at his Repository, No. 5, City Road, near Finsbury Square. 1808." This is headed "No. 1." apparently in a Tract Series. The imprint at the back is "Printed by A. Paris, No 6, Took's Court, Chancery Lane; for the Rev. Dr. T. Coke; and sold at his Repository, at Mr. Bruce's, Bookseller and Stationer, No. 5, City Road, London; who will receive and execute any orders, as Dr. Coke's Agent." 12mo, pp. 16. (Coke was associated with Wesley in the institution of the Methodist Tract Society in 1782, and continued to organise such activities long after Wesley's death, sometimes in connection with the Methodist Book-Room, but more often as a free-lance.)
21. Fourth Edition, "London: Printed by R. Hawes, and sold at the Foundry in Moorfields; and at the Rev. Mr. Wesley's Preaching-Houses, in Town and Country. 1778." (Green has "Fourth, London, 1778.")
23. Tenth Edition, "London, Printed by R. Hawes, (No. 34) in Lamb Street, Spitalfields, MDCCCLXXV." (Green has "Tenth, 1775.")
35. "London: Printed for the Author; and sold at the New Chapel, City Road, and at the Rev. Mr. Wesley's Preaching-Houses in Town and Country. 1789." (Green has "Unnumbered, London, for the Author, 1789.")
36. Fourth Edition, London: Cock, 1759. (Green omits the Printer's name.) (K.S.)
37. *Add*, "At the end is a two-page list of books published by Wesley, containing 30 items, followed by a list of Errata." (K.S.)
46. See under 101.
48. *Add*, "At the end is a two-page list of Wesley's publications, containing 36 items." (K.S.)
58. *Add*, "At the end of Vol. III is a list of Wesley's publications, containing 40 items." (K.S.)
59. *Add* to the Second Edition, Farley, 1745, "with a two-page list of Wesley's publications at the end, containing 60 items." (K.S.)
70. Third Edition, "Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, at Shakespeare's Head in Castle-Green. And sold by T. Trye, near

Grey's-Inn-Gate, Holbourn ; Henry Butler, at the Corner of Bow-Church-Yard ; and at the Foundry, near Upper-Moor-fields, 1745. (Price One Penny.)" (Green has "Third, 1745.")

83. *Add*, an edition of the Preface only, "London : Printed by T. Pasham, Printer in Shoe-Maker-Row, Black-Fryars. M.DCC.LIV.", 12mo, pp. 28. This edition is interesting as the only one of Wesley's publications which the writer has so far discovered to have been printed by this little-known printer—with the exception of the 7th edition of the *Rules*, see Green 43.
Add, Eighth edition, London : Hawes, 1779
84. *Add*, Another edition, "London : Printed by R. Hawes, And sold at the Foundry . . . 1778."
Add, Another, London : Paramore 1795, "(Price Two-Pence)." 12mo., pp. 24. This contains both Green 84 and Green 147, paged continuously, though the hymns are numbered separately.
90. *Add*, "At the end is a two-paged list of Wesley's publications, containing 65 items." (K.S.)
92. "London : Printed by G. Paramore . . . 1793. (Price Three-Pence.)" (Green has "1793")
93. Sixth, London, Hawes, 1775 (Green omits the Printer's name.)
96. Third, "Dublin : Printed by S. Powell, And Sold at Mr. Verney's in Little-Ship-Street, by Mrs. Crump in Marlborough-Street, opposite to the Society-House, and Mr. Watts in Park-Street, near the Comb. MDCCXLVII." (Green has "Third, Dublin : Powell, 1747" which is certainly sufficient for general identification ; yet the interesting imprint, which occurs on at least two other pamphlets printed by Powell in the same year—Green 33 and 35—seems worthy of special note.)
101. The title-page of the first edition should read "Primitive Physick : Or, An Easy and Natural Method of Curing most Diseases. London Printed ; and Sold by Thomas Trye, near Gray's-Inn Gate, Holborn. MDCCXLVII." Green's copying of the imprint as "London : Printed and Sold by Thomas Trye . . . is very misleading. Trye was not a printer, nor apparently even a publisher, but simply a bookseller. Similarly in the case of 46, Green notes "Fourth, London: Trye, 1758," whilst the actual title-page reads London : Printed, and sold by T. Trye . . . in this case the comma

must again be interpreted as leaving the printer anonymous.

(K.S.)

Add to editions, "Twenty-eighth, London: Conference Office, Cordeux, 1815"

(K.S.)

105. Dublin, Powell, 1750. (Green omits the Printer's name.)

112. Fourth, "London: Printed and sold at the New-Chapel, City-Road; . . . 1788." pp. 46. (Green has "Fourth, 1788"). A note on the inside cover of the Kingswood copy states "The Second Master of Kgs^d School John Jones wrote this Lat. Gram.

Miles. Chro^v of Meth^m p. 319."

Myles, in the "Third Edition, Enlarged," says of Jones, "He wrote the Latin Grammar which is taught at Kingswood School." This statement is repeated in the *History of Kingswood School*, page 3. Whether the Latin grammar compiled by Jones was the one which was published by Wesley is by no means certain, but seems likely. On October 15, 1750 Wesley wrote "I read over Mr. Holmes's *Latin Grammar*, and extracted from it what was needful to perfect our own," and a Second Edition, "corrected and enlarged" appeared in 1763. Was this edition Wesley's building up on the foundation already laid on John Jones? It seems probable, though not proven. (K.S.)

123. Fifth, London: G. Paramore, 1791. (Green omits the Printer's name)

131. The Headingley College Library, in addition to a set of the second edition of the *Christian Library*, possesses a volume labelled on the spine "Wesley's Christian Library. Vol. I. Apostolical Fathers, and Arndt's True Christianity." The title-page reads "The Epistles of Apostolical Fathers; St. Clement, St. Ignatius, and St. Polycarp; and the Martyrdom of St. Ignatius and St. Polycarp; also, The Homilies of Macarius; and John Arndt's True Christianity. Compiled and arranged by the Rev. John Wesley, M.A. London: Houlston and Stoneman, 65, Paternoster-Row. 1845." It is a 12mo. volume, in sixes, pp. viii, 423, and its general contents are the same as those of Vol. I in the 2nd edition of the *Christian Library*. On p. 423 is printed "The End," which may simply mean that Arndt's work was finished, or may also mean that no more volumes were to follow. The second alternative seems most likely, the intention being to reprint only this first section of the *Christian Library*, not to issue a "Third Edition," in spite of the rather ambiguous wording on the spine of the book.

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138. The edition of 1755-6, which is called the second edition, was not printed by Felix Farley, who was in his grave, but by his widow; the imprint reads:—"Bristol: Printed and Sold by E. Farley, MDCCLV." on Vol. I, and the same, with the alteration of the date, on Vol. 2.
142. "The Third Edition Enlarged. London: Printed and sold at the New Chapel, City-Road; and at the Rev. Mr. Wesley's Preaching-Houses in Town and Country." (Green has "Third, no date, London.")
147. See under 84.
155. Add, "The Sixth Edition. London: Printed for G. Whitfield, City-Road, 1797. Price Six-Pence." 12mo, pp. 68.
158. "Bristol: Printed by William Pine, 1770." (Green has "Bristol: 1770")
185. "London: Printed by John Paramore, at the Foundry, Upper-Moorfields. 1783." "This Sermon is not to be sold, but given away." Green gives "Another, 1783"
188. "London: Printed by R. Hawes, (No. 40) in *Dorset-Street*, Spitalfields, MDCCLXXV." (Green has "Another, London, 1775.")
191. Add, "There is a four-page list of Wesley's publications at the end, containing 154 items possibly incomplete." (K.S.)
195. Add, "Apparently a second edition, though not so called, was issued in the same year, as the Kingswood copy has the same title-page as the first edition, with the exception that "Price Two-pence." is omitted. (K.S.)
196. Third, Bristol: Pine, 1768. (*Catalogue of Wesleyana* has "1768") (K.S.)
205. Green says that the first of the *tunes* in the second part of this hymn-and-tune book "is numbered 5, showing that probably something is omitted." Actually it is the *page* to which the engraved "5" refers, whilst the first *tune* is headed "Hymn 1.2.3." The pages are numbered consecutively from 5-104, but nothing is omitted. It was a common practice (and still is) to estimate how many pages would be needed for "preliminary matter," (commonly written *after* the rest of the text is set up) and to commence the pagination of the text after these had been allowed for. This is almost certainly the explanation here, four pages being reserved for a short introduction, which eventually extended to twelve pages of musical instruction, entitled "The Gamut, or Scale of Music."

F. BAKER.

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rows of galleries one above the other and a large glass dome in the centre, this place is also attended by a large concourse of people, they also read the Church Service. To give an account of what I know of the different Sects in London would take up more room than this sheet would contain. Here are added to all the sects and parties you have heard of—Sandimaniacs, New Jerusalemites, Restorationists, &c., &c., &c., besides a vast quantity of Jews, I suppose many thousands, I have met at one time 3 of their chief priests together dressed in their robes. In general they all wear their beards by which they are universally known and as universally hated by all sorts of people; In short London is filled with places of worship, scarce a street but there are 2, 3 or 4 in; but I see or hear none that I like equal to Mr. Wesley's Connexion indeed I seldom go to any other place especially as he is in town every Sunday.

J. F. TO HIS MOTHER: MRS. FREEMAN AT MR. GEORGE STACY'S,
20 WHITE FRIAR ST., DUBLIN.

London, Jany., 5, 1790.

Mr. Wesley and Dr. Coke are both in town now. Last Sunday was the annual Covenant, and indeed since I came to London I never saw the Chapel so crowded, the form was read as in Dublin, and afterwards the Sacrament administered to I suppose at the very least computation to above two thousand communicants; it began at 3 o'clock and lasted till about half past six, there were 5 clergymen assisting on the occasion. The Chapel on Christmas morning was but thinly attended, the service was over about half past five. I would add that last Sunday was a week Mr. Wesley preached in St. Luke's Church, I think it was as much crowded as I almost ever remember to have seen in St. Peter's when Kirwan [the celebrated Dean of Killala] preached.

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(PART 3)

225. *Add*, "A New Edition. Nottingham: Printed at C. Sutton's Office, Bridlesmith-Gate, 1797", 12mo, pp. 36.

Add, Another, London: Whitfield, 1798, (Price Three-Pence.)

246. The Headingley copy of this ("Hymns on the Trinity") is bound up after 245 ("Hymns for the Use of Families"). This confirms Green's order, and possibly suggests a reason why no author's name was printed on 246, as had been on 245. Both volumes were printed by William Pine of Bristol, and if they were issued at the same time, many would probably be bound and sold in pairs, in which case the author's name might be understood to refer to the second, as well as to the first, volume. To substantiate this hypothesis, however, it would be necessary to produce many more instances of the two volumes being bound together in this order.
255. *Add*, "The Family Physician; or, Advices with respect to Health. Including Directions for the Prevention and Cure of Acute Diseases. Extracted from Dr. Tissot. The Sixth Edition. Corrected. London: Printed for G. Whittfield, New-Chapel, City-Road; and sold at the Methodist-Preaching Houses in Town and Country. 1797. (Price 1s. 6d. unbound.)" pp. 212 + 3 pp. Index. This is bound up after the 24th edition of "Primitive Physick", London: Paramore, 1792.
- Add*, "The Family Physician: or Advice with Regard to Health . . . The Ninth Edition, corrected.", Cordeux, 1815. This is bound up with "Primitive Physick", 28th ed. (see above, under 101). (K.S.)
259. *Add*, Another Edition: "Printed in the Year MDCCCLXXI", with the scripture passages and the two hymns, and the date of death printed correctly.
- "Bristol: Printed by W. Pine . . . 1772. (Green has Bristol; 1772.)"
- 295-6. *Add*, Third Edition, "London: Printed and sold at the New Chapel, City-Road. M,DCC, LXXXIX."
- Add*, Ninth Edition, London: G. Paramore, 1793, "(Price 1s or neatly bound in calf 1s. 6d.)"
305. "London: Printed by R. Hawes, in Dorset-Street, Spital-fields, And Sold at the Foundry, Moorfields.", 12mo, pp. 23. (Green has Hawes, n.d." Hawes had just begun to use the Dorset-Street address in 1775, and continued to print for Wesley from the same works until at least 1780.)
308. Green says "I have not seen a copy of the first edition" and apparently takes the title-page which, with slight alterations, he prints from Osborn's *Outlines of Wesleyan Bibliography*. The Headingley Library contains a copy of the first edition,

and from this the entry in Green should be amended to "The Important Question : A Sermon, Preached in Taunton, Somersetshire, on Monday, Sept. 12, 1775. By John Wesley, M.A.. Published at the Request of many of the Hearers, for the Benefit of a Public Charity. London : Printed by I. Moore & Co. in Queen Street, near Upper-Moorfields. (Price Six-Pence)" n.d. 12mo, pp. 36.

The confusion between "I" and "J" in which Green follows Osborn is an easy mistake for anyone to make to whom "J. Moore" means just as little as "I. Moore". (In the eighteenth century, in fact, there are many instances of the two letters being used interchangeably). Isaac Moore, type-founder and printer, of Bristol and London, was, however, important enough to gain mention in D. B. Updike's "Printing Types : Their History, Forms and Use", as well as in Plomer's "Dictionary of Booksellers and Printers". He did not issue much work under his own imprint, however, and this is the only specimen of his printing amongst Wesley's publications so far noted, although it also occurs on No. 1 of a set of Scripture Cards - see *Proceedings* i : 17.

The printing of this pamphlet undoubtedly does credit to the type-founding of Moore's firm, and the type is much larger and more distinctive than was usual in Wesley's publications.

315. *Add*, Another Edition, London : R. Hawes, 1777. The title-page is practically the same as in that of the first edition, although the misprint "Deliverence" has been corrected.
Add, Another Edition, London : G. Paramore, 1791.
332. Fourth, "London : Printed by R. Hawes, and sold at the New-Chapel, City-Road ; and at the Rev. Mr. Wesley's Preaching-Houses, in Town and Country, 1779. (Price Three-pence.)" (Green has "4th, 1779.")
345. Fourth Edition, "Printed and sold at the New Chapel, City-Road . . . 1787." (Green has "Fourth, 1787.")
Add, Fifth Edition. London, Paramore, 1794.
348. Second Edition, "London : Printed by J. Paramore, at the Foundry, Upper-Moorfields. M.DCC.LXXXI." (Green has "Second edition. London, 1781.")
351. *Add*, Another Edition : "The Fool of Quality ; or, the History of Henry Earl of Moreland. Edited by the Rev. John Wesley, M.A. . . . Chiswick : Printed by C. Whittingham. Sold by Thomas Tegg, 73, Cheapside . . . 1829."

- 16mo, 2 vols, pp. 288, 300. Price 6/- for the two vols. bound in one.
358. Green describes two cheap editions of "Sacred Harmony," one published at 4/- and the other at 2/6, both without a date. The title-page to the second of these reads as follows: "Sacred Harmony: or a choice Collection, of Psalm and Hymn Tunes. In two or three Parts, For the Voice, Harpsichord, & Organ. Price Two Shillings & Six Pence." In the Headingley copy, at any rate, the four pages of "Contents" come at the beginning, whilst page 1 is blank, the tunes commencing on page 2.
359. *Add*, Second Edition: Green mentions only the first edition. On the back of Thomas Taylor's sermon on the death of Wesley, 1791, however, is the following advertisement:—"Likewise in the press, to come out in May. (*The Second Edition*). A Concordance to the Holy Scriptures, Price Four-Shillings and Six-Pence. By Thomas Taylor." *Add*, Third Edition: On p. (32) of the 2nd ed. of Taylor's "Britannia's Mercies", 1802, is the following advertisement—"Published, A Concordance and Scripture Dictionary, Third Edition, Price in Boards, Six Shillings and Six-pence, by T. Taylor." This is probably the edition which is possessed by the Book Room, and included in the *Catalogue of Wesleyana* published in 1921 as being printed in 1801.
362. See under 396.
382. There was apparently another 1785 edition of this sermon on the death of Fletcher, as the title-page of the Kingswood copy differs in several details from that given by Green, reading "By John Wesley, A.M. London: Printed by John Paramore, at the Foundery, Upper-Moorfields, 1785" omitting the "(Price Six-pence)". This shows the demand to have been very big, as the first edition had only come out in November, and yet another edition was to follow in 1786. Perhaps this is some indication of the great popularity of John Fletcher. (K.S.)
396. "A Pocket Hymn Book, for the use of Christians of all Denominations. The Fourth Edition. London: Printed for the Author, and sold at the New Chapel, City-Road; and at the Rev. Mr. Wesley's Preaching Houses in Town and Country. 1790." (Green has "4th, London, 1790.") This was, of course, Wesley's drastic revision of Robert Spence's *Pocket Hymn Book*, and was intended to replace that book, which had become popular in spite of its failings. An

interesting fact is that in the Headingley volume Spence's book is bound up with Wesley's revision of it, and even takes precedence over it! A description of this book may prove useful. The title reads, "A Pocket Hymn Book designed as a constant Companion for the Pious, collected from Various Authors . . . York: Printed for R. Spence, in Ousegate, M,DCC, LXXXIII." 24mo, pp 266, Index. and 2 pages advertisements. The latter include "An Admonition to Unconverted Sinners . . . To which are added, prayers for Families. Price 1/- bound." An examination of the description shows that this is Alleine's *Alarm to Unconverted Sinners* (Green 362), under a new title.

Seventeenth Edition. "London: Printed at the Conference-Office, 14, City-Road; By John Jones, Agent. . 1809." This has 246 pp, Index and Contents. and contains 256 hymns. Like many similar volumes, it is fitted with a clasp. (Green has "17th, London, 1809.")

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CIRCUIT FINANCE IN EARLY METHODISM.

Part III

CHILDREN'S ALLOWANCES.

The quarterly children's allowance of £1 per child (later increased to £1:11:6) was comparatively a generous one. It can be seen why the charge became connexionally spread, for in 1800 when the circuit carried 9 children, the amount required was more than the personal allowance of the two preachers to whom they belonged.

REMOVAL EXPENSES AND EXPENSES TO CONFERENCE.

These were sometimes paid by the Circuit Stewards and sometimes by the Town Stewards. They varied very much in amount and were of more frequent occurrence than in our days. During the period we cover only in three years was there no change of preacher. The Superintendents with one exception never stayed more than two years and the second man rarely more than one year. When the circuit carried three preachers the third man never stayed more than a year. The circuit paid heavily for its devotion to itinerancy, for removal expenses could