

Memoir of
to R. F. F. F.
Refer to
Mellor &
Shackleton
a law partner
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who married
one of the
daughters of
also many
who were
the same

Mr Robert Abraham
H. Mulberry
Oxford St
Liverpool

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LIVERPOOL

J A to R A 22/11/1842 (1st part missing)
"Thomas Abraham's book presented to him by his brother E. Mellor of
Edonderry Ireland 1773" - In my father's writing. J. F. - From which
it seems that a Mellor married a daughter of John A. (2nd) & that a
Shackleton married a daughter of theirs. From which marriage Mary Lead =
bitter, formerly Shackleton, must have sprung. Mary Leadbitter in her book of
poems mentions her descent from Margaret Fox, but I forget what she says
on the subject. Your Aunt Margaret had the book, it contains some good prose in
rhyme.
I now recur to your letter of 12 Inst. I am much obliged to Margaret for her
letter of the 4th I think with you on the subject of the Rent, I would not
have entertained the proposition from any other person except J. R. F. and
even after your qualified approbation I would not have closed with him,
had not my present dwelling become more than usually disagreeable.
The premises besides being too high rented for me, are not either what I like
nor where I like. The property formerly belonged to Paul Nixon, ^{is} situated
next below the large houses which he built in Castle St. The neighbourhood
in good. I shall take care to return your Aunt Ann's letter, conveniently.
J. R. F.'s shipping property is as you conjecture. The bank I have heard is doing well.
C. Clapham, a great defaulter in it married a daughter of the late Robt. Foster.
Robt. Sheppard I suspect is a strong under the influence of his cousin Mary. I
believe that R. F. used to call my grandfather John "Uncle," when speaking of him to
me. R. F. was the son of Dodgson F. of Lancaster. He inherited Kibblesworth
from his mother's father, and had property near Dalton. I remember my Mother
once saying that "Abraham" had a Welsh meaning, from which I concluded that it

was from St "Aber" or "Alber" and "ham". But the probability of the derivation may have given rise to her supposition. I am not aware that my father did the silly thing which you inquire about.

I received your letter of the 16th and its enclosures. I can tell you nothing about Mella, more than I have at the head of this letter except that your Aunt Margaret used to speak of her Aunt Mella as living at Ballisore, when your Aunt was very young and living there. Of Charles Cannon I know nothing; I did not so much as know of the name. Mary Chatham would seem either to have married out of the Society, or else when absent from home. - The entry of D. A's marriage three times seems odd; but there are, as you observe, evident clerical errors.

I take the C. J. to the post office with this letter & its enclosures. I received from you yesterday, Morning Chronicle, 2 Times, & L. J. - I send the Examiner regularly to T. Parker, & at some times receive a paper from him. - I am very well & preparing to move, but my apartments are not quite ready. I shall be glad to hear that you all continue well.

Your affectionate father
Thomas Abraham

Carlisle Nov. 22. 42.

5th Nov 1850

Wm. S. Brown

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th inst. in relation to the above named subject. I have the pleasure to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours obedient servant,
Wm. S. Brown

Wm. Robert Abraham
Montreal Gazette Office
Montreal

Received of the above named party the sum of \$100.00 for the purpose of the above named subject. This amount is hereby acknowledged and the receipt is given to the party as a receipt for the same. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours obedient servant,
Wm. S. Brown



13 Church St. Carlisle, Nov: 2, 1843.

Dear Robert,
by last mail, Margaret has this minute (at 50 min past 3 P.M. left me, having brought me your letter to her to read, & requests me to tell you, that she is very well, and expects to remain in Carlisle till about Christmas. I send this letter to your brother, who, your sister tells me will forward it to you on the 4th.

I neglected telling your sister in time to advise you of my having received various papers from you; viz. the Montreal Gazette from July 28 to Sep. 26, & various papers, & an agricultural one. And on 31st ult. I received Montreal Gazette from Sep. 20 to Oct. 12. I am very much obliged to you for your kindness and attention; but I would not wish you to send any papers, unless when you have copies lying over.

Yesterday, two councillors for this ward went out by rotation, J. Pop. positively refused re-election, & John Carrick & Ashmun a Tanner, and "liberals" were brought in against the endeavours of Billy Rice & the other Charhills & Tories, who had made a point of putting out Carrick, and electing two Tories; Mark Tanner of Newtown, & Robinson, Miller, Decker Mill. The conjoint parties were dead beat.

The speculation which I mentioned to you will not do. J. N. had the influence, & being learned in Medicine, he managed to break up a seemingly good constitution. - But at any rate I find, that it would have been a dangerous venture.

I need not tell you that I am glad your undertaking ~~was~~ prospers. I see that you are fearfully embarked in controversy. - I observe occasionally "will" for "shall", and "would" for "should".

I am afraid that J. K. Kemper is swaying, he is rather unreasonable in the expectation of deference to his opinion. He is a very estimable man, but not sufficiently tolerant.

I am very well, & like my apartments very much, although they are rather inconvenient. The letter which I mention above is not to your sister, but is to your brother & sent by him to me. I dare say, that if time permitted I could think of other matters to write about.

I am,
Dear Robert,
Your affectionate Father,
Thomas Sheehan.