

Additional information about Thomas Harvey

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Sources:

Memorials of Thomas Harvey by Sarah Grace Harvey (his widow). 1884. Classmark MS 1703/5

and

Wilfred Allott, Leeds Quaker Meeting (1966) in the Publications of the Thoresby Society Miscellany, vol 14:1. Pp 51-64. In Brotherton Library shelved at H-Lee-1.2 ALL.

Born in Barnsley on 15 March 1812.

Attended Ackworth School from 1822 to 1825.

Apprentice to David Doncaster, Chemist & Druggist, Haymarket, in Sheffield in 1826.

Apprentice to Thomas Southall of Birmingham in 1827.

Visit to West Indies with Joseph Sturge to see apprenticeship system for formerly enslaved people, sailing from Falmouth to Barbados in November 1836, continuing to Leeward Islands and Jamicia. Wrote "The West Indies in 1837".

Active in Temperance Society in 1837.

Active in the Anti Opium Movement in 1840

Married Sarah Grace Fryer on 16 October 1845

Son Joseph died 30 January 1852.

Visited Finland to see the harm done to the coastal population by the British Fleet as part of the Crimean War. 1856.

Retired from Harvey and Reynolds in 1867.

Home address in later years was Ashwood, Headingley Hill, Leeds.

Died in Headingley, Leeds on 25 December 1884 from pneumonia.

Memorial Meeting for Worship at Quaker Meeting House on Woodhouse Lane. (Building became BBC and now part of Leeds Beckett University).

Buried at Adel Quaker Meeting, Grave 134 in Row 3 on 29 December 1884.

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