

QUAKERS & 'SOUTHDOWN HOUSE'

From several pieces of information within the archives, it would appear that the house now known as 'Southdown House', 207 Canterbury Road, is either built on the cellars of the old Quaker Meeting House, or is the actual house, with various additions. The Meeting House may well have been a private residence in which one of the Friends lived and in which the Friends then met for their meetings and worship. They certainly had a burial ground on the site of the Methodist Chapel and evidence of this was uncovered in 1966 (see separate note).

Elias Hatcher is the most prominent member and this could well have been his home. (See the notes on taxes.)