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## *Editorial*

This issue centers upon a paper first presented to the 1968 meeting of the Quaker Theological Discussion Group at Powell House, Hugh Barbour's "Protestant Quakerism." Lewis Benson, Chard Smith and Melvin Keiser respond to Hugh's affirmation that historically Quakerism can only be understood in the context of the Protestant Reformation and, furthermore, that Quakerism withers if it is cut off from this source, that there is that in the Protestant heritage which we now need, something we may indeed never fully have had (because the early Friends were more influenced by Calvin than by Luther).

That this paper should only now appear in our pages may help to explain why we have decided (beginning with the Winter 1970 issue) to experiment for two years with publishing *Quaker Religious Thought* as a quarterly. Our per copy price will remain the same (75¢), but subscription rates will now be \$3.00 for one year and \$5.00 for two years.

Readers of *QRT* will be interested to know that Part II of R. W. Tucker's "Revolutionary Faithfulness" will be published in the forthcoming Winter and Spring numbers of *The Friends Quarterly* as "The Lamb's Rule." Part I appeared in our Winter 1967-68 issue and was then reprinted in *New Theology Number Six*.

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