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Finally, dear Friends, farewell. Our hearts are warm with affection for you. In the language of the Apostle, "We commend you to God, and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

Signed

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This address, together with the Minutes made up on the subject by Monatten Monthly Meetings and the Quarterly Meetings, the Committee had printed, and in the 2^d Mo. last, the Committee visited all the members of Newbury and Warrington Meetings, who were then in those neighborhoods, at their homes, placed a copy of the address in the hands of every one who was of sufficient age to be benefitted thereby, and in most cases read the address to the assembled family. We had reason to believe that the address, and the Minutes of the Meetings referred to, were well received, as giving renewed evidence of the tender care and concern of Friends on their behalf.

When violations of our Order of Discipline had occurred, the Committee extended such care and labor as the respective cases seem to demand. Every case of deviation that became known to us, received the attention and - we trust - Gospel care of the Committee, and we are gratified to believe, they were all satisfactorily adjusted, those who wished to retain their rights being a general thing, in a frame of mind favorable for future usefulness.

The Committee then attended Monatten Monthly Meeting on the 20th of the 2^d Mo. and reported the names - being seven in number - of those who had deviated from our order, and wished not to remain members of our Religious Society, and these were recorded by the Monthly Meeting, as being no longer in membership with us. The Committee took forward also 109 names of members of Newbury and Warrington Meetings, who were received as members of Monatten Monthly Meeting, with all their rights and privileges of their other members.

We found that a number of the members, both at Newbury and Warrington, had removed away to settle. Of these individually, the Committee obtained the Post Office address, and endeavored to communicate with them by letter, sending for each a copy of the printed address we had prepared.

The Committee informed the Monthly Meeting, that the Friends of Newbury proposed to hold their First-day meetings regularly, and a mid-week and Preparative Meeting once a month, but not the other mid-week meetings, the Friends there not feeling prepared to undertake more at this time, and that the Committee were unitedly of the opinion, under all the circumstances of the case, and as this would be the means of establishing an official connection between those remote Friends and the Monthly Meeting, that it would be best for the Monthly Meeting to sanction this arrangement, and a similar one in regard to Warrington, should Friends there feel strength to adopt it.

The Monthly Meeting approved and sanctioned all the Committee had done, and also the proposition in regard to their meetings for worship, and their Preparative Meetings at Newbury and Warrington, Committees were accordingly appointed by the Monthly Meeting, at the suggestion of this Committee, to bring forward the names of suitable Friends, for overseers, at both Warrington and Newbury; and also for Trustees of the property of each of these meetings, and to have charge of the books, deeds, records and other papers belonging thereto.

The Committee then attended Warrington Quarterly Meeting, held at Monatten on the 24th of 2^d Month and gave to that Meeting in writing a full statement