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had not come forward to rescue
 the young from the effects of the
 war there would have been
 great ignorance & degradation
 marked in the next generation -
 so sad have been the effects
 of the war upon the poorer class
 at the South - in fact upon
 all classes.

We are truly thankful, my
 dear friend, that they were
 led into Carolina just at this
 time - I believe that it has
 been in right ordering - not
 only as a Minister to comfort & en-
 courage at a time of peculiar
 interest - a turning point in their
 trials - but to aid us in our
 efforts to adopt proper means
 of relief - especially while they
 wait at New Garden.

We hope next year to awaken in-
 terest in agriculture & house keeping
 & soon to see raised up among them
 selves men & women who will push
 on the good work & direct it themselves
 with less thy fr. H. J. King

Batts 1.22.66

My dear friend
 Dr. Grosfield

Thine from Niagara
 is at hand & will be laid before
 the weekly Mtg of our Ex Com
 to-day eve. We are pleased to
 have the information.

We have written John Scott fully
 about Contentment Friends, sugges-
 ting him to visit the families
 & the schools - that being the
 neighborhood of greatest want.
 A copy of thy former list was sent
 to J. Scott & one of this list will
 also be sent to him.

Some of the expected difficulties
 of our mission are showing them-
 selves, but they will be met & I
 trust overcome - there is probably
 no other field within our own
 fold, where friends can thus labor
 & where the need greatly exists,