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P. H. S. J. J. J.

Dear friend.

Since we talked over
your Mt. House improvements
the funds of our Ass. have
been used up & the amount
recently collected is appro-
priated or nearly so, & we
are pledged never to collect
any more, but make the
work self-sustaining.

My letter of 4 inst does not
go into figures & as I shall
have to bring the matter
before friends here I will
thank thee to inform us

1st - Cash outlay of improve-
ments.

2^d - How to be divided between
friends & Hicksites - do you
make it by numbers.

3^d - Is there a prospect of our
friends remaining & sus-
taining their meeting.

4th - or would you in case
you remain, select a
more central place
for the convenience of friends

We shall have to
collect what we raise &
as Ottaviland wants a house
for their new meeting & our
friends at Somerton need
help to finish theirs & we
are having dreadful dull
business & losses, as gold
declines - I hope thou. will
make the most favorable ar-
rangement thou can. If you
are likely to move & the meeting
close in a year or so - I question
the propriety of spending much