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this Continent, and in London, of which the following is a
Copy, was received and read.

After a time of deliberation thereon, much sympathy was
felt and expressed, for the trying situation in which our
Friends of North Carolina have been subjected, in pursuing
their interesting concern, relating to the People of Colour under
their care. We regret that our ability does not correspond
with our desire to assist them, in their present difficulties,
by further pecuniary aid, owing to the smallness of our number
in our present stripped state.

It was concluded to transmit this expression of our
sympathy, and the interest we feel, by directing a Copy
of this Minute to be forwarded by the Clerk, addressed
to the Meeting for Sufferings of North Carolina.

Deep River, Guilford Co. N.C. 1st Mo. 1st 1835.

From a Committee appointed by the Meeting for
Sufferings of North Carolina Yearly Meeting, to send an
Epistle of information to all the Meetings for Sufferings on
this Continent, and to London, of the condition of the Coloured
people under our care, and other circumstances relative to
the subject. Dear Friends,

We have sent to free
Governments about one thousand of the People of Colour
under our care, within ten Years. the whole Cost has been
about \$20,500. From 1832 until last 7th Month we
had declined sending any more away, on account of five law
suits being commenced against us, for about 40 of our

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Coloured People, some in possession, and some sent away
for fear of incurring greater damages, until those Suits
were decided in the Supreme Court, in that Month, our
Attorney at Law informed us, that the Supreme Court had
given a favorable decree, bar'd the Claimants, and granted
and awarded us a new trial in all the Suits, and that
the Chairman of the Court had informed him privately, and
in respect to the Society of Friends, for us to endeavor to send
them away as soon as possible, that if ever the trial of
our Title came before that Court, it would decide against
us, that although being out of possession three Years, bar'd
the Claimants, yet our possession did not give us a Title;
that the legal Title agreeably to the Laws of North Carolina
lies in the State, but as the case of our Title has
never been decided by it, and we in possession of them
if we sent them all away, we should incur no danger
of damage, neither from individuals, nor the State. That
Court has in several suits decided, where the Title is not, but
has never decided publicly where it is. Upon this
information we called a Meeting for Sufferings, and
appointed two Friends immediately to go into the Eastern
Quarter, where the greater part of our Coloured People are
to encourage and assist them to leave the State, to examine
the state of our Funds, and to proceed to the North to lay
the subject before the Meetings for Sufferings there, and
ask their advice and aid, which they did, and obtained
donations sufficient to remove 133 to Indiana, there
still remains under our care about 280, which we anticipate