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Christ, which would have preserved them in a conformity with the principles and discipline of our Religious Society, have swerved from the true ground of safety, and so far disregarded our established order, as to conclude to hold a meeting under the character of a Yearly Meeting, for those who are in unity with them.

Agreeably to a printed invitation issued by them, in the 6th Month last, for that purpose, a number have accordingly convened in this City, and as they may attempt to correspond with the Yearly Meetings of Friends, it appeared to be a duty incumbent on us, to apprise you of those proceedings. Preparatory to this measure, in several Quarterly Meetings, those persons had renounced their subordination to our Yearly Meeting, and thereby separated themselves from us, holding Quarterly, and Monthly Meetings, bearing the original names of the respective meetings to which they had belonged; thus introducing great distress and confusion in many places.

In order to obviate a wrong direction to Certificates of removal, it is needful that particular care should be observed in forwarding them to the Clerks, or to some suitable members of the Monthly Meetings to which they are addressed.

We think it right to give you this general information at present, which time, and a

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further developement of the separation, may enable us to make more particular.

We believe it is a day which produces in the truly devoted followers of Christ, close searchings of heart, that every obstruction in them to that blessed communion, which subsists between him, and the members of his militant Church, may be removed. that through a participation of the divine life and virtue, which flows from him, their vessels may be kept clean, and thus a state of preparation witnessed, to hear the language of the spirit unto the Churches.

Happy will it be for the members of our Religious Society, if the present afflictions shall produce this salutary effect; - Then shall we have reason to hope, that the Lord, will remember his gracious purposes in raising up this people, turn again their captivity, and make them more eminently a light to surrounding nations, in examples of humility, self denial, and true brotherly kindness. With the salutation of love, we remain Your friends,
Signed on behalf of our Meeting for Sufferings
held in Philadelphia the 19th of 10th Month 1827.

(Signed) Jonathan Evans,
Clerk

Then adjourned to meet on 7th day evening preceding
our ensuing Yearly Meeting, at 7 O'clock.