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Friends composing the Deputation in an especial manner to the kind Christian sympathy and regard of the aforesaid Meetings for Sufferings.

And it is further referred to the Meeting for Sufferings in London to afford the deputation appointed under the foregoing Minute, the requisite assistance in the performance of the service entrusted to them. And the said Meeting is encouraged should the way open clearly for doing so, to make an addition to the Deputation of one or more suitable friends.

By direction of the Meeting for Sufferings for New England Yearly Meeting, through the Clerk, six copies of Memorials of deceased friends of that Meeting were received. Our Clerk is directed to distribute them among the several Quarterly Meetings.

The following communication from the Meeting for Sufferings for New England Yearly Meeting was received and read,

To the Meeting for Sufferings of Baltimore Yearly Meeting,
Dear Friends,

At the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held in the 6th mo last, the subject of issuing Epistles to the Yearly Meetings of Philadelphia and Ohio at that time, received its weighty and very careful consideration. It is known to you that since the year 1845, when a secession took place within our limits, those Meetings have failed to acknowledge

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the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, on whose behalf we now address you, or to make any response to the Epistles which have been regularly addressed to them. Under these circumstances the question was a very solemn one, whether New England would best sustain the cause of Truth, so dear to us all, by issuing Epistles to those Meetings or by omitting to do so at that time. After very careful consideration and seeking humbly we trust for right direction, way did not open to address them by Epistles. The Meeting felt that this decision was a very important one, departing as it was from its uniform usage hitherto towards those and all the other Yearly Meetings of Friends, and recorded its sense thereof in the following minute - viz. "This Yearly Meeting is brought very solemnly to feel the importance of this conclusion, and a full and free expression was made, in which there was manifested a feeling of love towards our dear brethren of those Yearly Meetings, as professors of the same faith, engaged for the support of the same precious testimonies of Truth, and a fervent desire that the day might not be distant, when in the free flowings of Gospel love we may be permitted again to resume and continue a correspondence which we have ever highly valued, and which as conducted under right influence, tends to bind us together in the bonds of Christian fellowship. With