

Finally brethren, with love and solicitude for your welfare, we remain your friends.

Signed on behalf of the meeting.

LEVI BOWLES, Clerk.

NEW ENGLAND.

Held at Westerly, R.I., by adjournments from the 13th of the 6th month to the 15th of the same, inclusive, 1897.

To Canada Yearly Meeting of Friends :—

DEAR FRIENDS,—At this, our annual assembly, our minds are drawn towards you, we trust, in a measure of Gospel love, and while fully conscious of our weakness, we are enabled to realize that help is laid upon One who is mighty and able to save, even to the uttermost, all those who put their trust in the Lord, and lean not to their own understanding. How consoling the language when tried even to a hair's breadth, "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people from henceforth even forever." Let us then not give place to the tempter, who would, because of discouragements, sometimes presented to our minds, try to persuade us to turn back and walk no more with our crucified and risen Saviour. If, as we most surely believe, our religious society was raised up by the Great Head of the Church to revive primitive Christianity, and firmly to stand for all the precepts as well as example of Christ Jesus our Lord, let us not abandon these precious doctrines and testimonies because of the Cross.

It is encouraging to know that among the various denominations of professing Christians many of our distinguishing doctrines and testimonies are now acknowledged as true and just, and we rejoice in the spread of the principles of peace, so that many nations now look toward arbitration in the settlement of disputes instead of war. The Lord our God is as able now as ever He was in any age of the world to cause a rallying to the standard of truth, and to display the banner thereof to a gain-