

## APPENDIX.

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Epistles received from the several Yearly Meetings with which we correspond.

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*To Canada Yearly Meeting of Women Friends :—*

DEAR SISTERS,—Time in its unceasing, untiring course, has again brought the season of our annual gathering. We deeply feel the responsibility resting upon us. When we behold how great the harvest and how few are the laborers, we have earnestly desired that we may be found humbly watching and waiting for ability availingly to pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into his harvest.

We were encouraged by the reading of your sisterly greeting with those from other Yearly Meetings, and receive them as tokens of the love of our Father in Heaven.

We desire to address you but not with enticing words of man's wisdom, for except these communications have some savor of the demonstration of the spirit and of power—*vain* will be *our* efforts. We believe with you, that true religion consists in implicit obedience to that in-speaking word placed in every heart, and not a dependence on the activity of the intellect, though it be ever so highly cultivated. When the state of our Society was brought before us by the reading and answering of the Queries, both young and old were exhorted to a closer watch, lest by an unguarded word which might tend to lower the character of any we should bring reproach on the cause of truth. The reports from our Schools have been very satisfactory and encouraging to us.

We have at this time a goodly number of the precious youth in attendance, for whose best welfare lively desires have arisen that they may now, in the morning of