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WHEREAS y^e Almighty God in his Endless love hath Caused his eu^r-lasting Gospell to be againe p^rached in o^r day ; And of his Good will, & pleasure, Raysed up o^r deare freind G. ff to be the first publisher thereof in this o^r age : who have left upon record a Journall of his Life Travells sufferings pills Christian Experiences, & labour of Love in the worke of the ministry : And in y^e same love by his last will & testam^t did freely Giue & bequethe many of y^e said Journalls, for trueths service, & amongst others, one for eury meeting house built by freinds, for y^e service afores^d.

And now there haueing bin severall meeting houses soe built in this County of som^rsett & Journalls diliured according to his last will & testament afores^d. And y^t they may be p^rserued decent : & without any hurt or damage, & the end of y^e donour may be answered, & his love therein (as much as may be) p^rpetuated, for his memoriall is blessed for eu^r, & so be had in Everlasting remembrance And nations haue Cause to bless y^e Lord for him who hath Giuen him a name better than y^t of sons & daughters.

And now this meetting, on y^e weighty Considera^on heare of & for y^e endes & uses aforesa^d do vnanimously agree, & declare that the respective monthly mens meetings doe take speciall care y^t y^e s^d Journall or bookes be com^mitted to y^e Coustody & keeping of faithfull freinds, who shall vndertake to keepe them safe & cleane, without hurt, or damage & as any other faithfull friend shall desire to have the use of them, on notice thereof made to y^e s^d mens Monthly meeting they may order the same (from time to time) to be delivered to such faithfull friends, & for such time as y^e said meeting shall see meete ; allways recording on their booke to whose Coustody y^e

same is committed; still care being taken for the safe & well keeping thereof; & for ye deliury of ye s^d Journall or booke as ye s^d meeting shall from time to time, order & direct as afores^d.

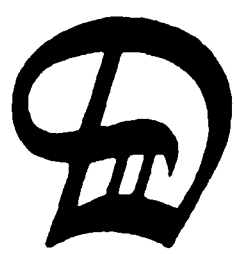
And soe let the tender mercies of or God be had in Everlasting remembrance, And all that are truely senceable thereof praise & magnifie his Glorious name for eurm^{ore}
Amen

Signed in the name of ye Meeting

JOHN DANDO JAS : BATT
ELIAS OSBURNE ROBT. BANTON

Somersetshire Q.M., held at Jvelchester 27th of ye
7mo. 1694.

John Hall to William Dewsbury

EARE frend—My deare Loue in ye vnchangable salutes the & those thy fellow prisoners who are sufferers for ye testimony of A good Conscience, deare frend J receiued one Letter from thee dated ye 30 day of ye 3 month w^{ch} was no Little refreshm^t to mee when J lookt vpon it but to ye best of remembrance J did not receiue it till J had beene A forth night there and it was open when J did receiue it; for he w^{ch} brought it tould mee he was in truble w^{ch} was ye cause of his opening of it, and another J receiued since J came out of Scotland wth one of ye bookes w^{ch} thou sent me; ye other was kept at edenbrough; and as for my coming away: my mother J left in a sad Condition as to ye outward w^{ch} was A greate tryall for me at my deptime for when J went into Scotland she was turned of y^t w^{ch} in ye worlds account was her owne: soe y^t she was dis- posest of an Abiding place neuer the Lesse J was made willing to give her vp into ye hands of ye Almighty and to goe wheare he was pleased to call mee; soe hauing receiued no Letter from her how it was wth her; all though she receiued seuerall from me in w^{ch} J haue peace for she is departed from this Life since J saw her; soe J was burthened & desired to come to see her; wth frends;