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My dear Friend

Geo. Washington Walker

This Letter will be delivered to thee by Fanny Dickinson, the wife of James Dickinson, whom I suppose thou art already acquainted with. She and her three sons named in the annexed Certificate, and her daughter Sarah Harriet aged 7 are leaving England to join Mr. Dickinson in N. D. Land. They are not in membership with Friends here (J. Dickinson) having married out, but I believe they all make a profession with Friends, and many of our Society here are interested in their welfare. I have been particularly requested by Rev. Mr. Scoborn & Ely Blakely of Bradford, to write to thee to introduce them to Friends, in the hope that a kind care may be exercised over them & that the boys may be placed in situations where their best welfare may be attended to. With this view the Committee of Rawden School also

transmitted to me the accompanying Certificate
to forward. This School thou mayst perhaps re-
collect was established for the education of the
children of persons professing with Friends, but
who were not members, on the concern of our
mutual friend J^m. Hipsley. —

I hope to write to thee again before
long, but in the mean time may inform thee
of the decease of my cousin J^{on} Backhouse,
which took place suddenly, on the evening of
the 7th inst. and of our fr^d Caleb Wilson of
Sunderland, who departed peacefully on the 5th
having been declining for a few weeks. — Our
fr^ds J^s R Priestman are likely to have the
trial of losing another daughter. Rachel —
who is far gone in consumption, but in
a sweet state of mind. —

With much love to thyself & Sarah
& my other Pasmianian friends, I remain
affectionately

thy friend

James Backhouse

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John Henry Dickinson, Robert Benson Dickinson,
and Sarah Harriett Dickinson, the children of
James & Fanny Dickinson being likely to go out
to Hobart Town and having been in this Institution
a number of years the Sub-committee are
desirous of recommending them to the kind
notice of Friends where they may happen to
settle. The Sub-Committee have the satisfaction
to add that during the time the children have
been in the school their conduct has been
in general orderly and satisfactory.

Thomas Pattison
James Brady
James Ellis
Sarah Thompson

Sub-Committee

William Rothery, Superintendent

