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Letter from J. Sale to James B. Finley

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I, S. Q. Jones is now in the way & how I should
rejoice if he could be in S. C. place
JS

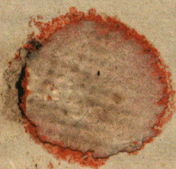
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James B. Finley

After Sandusky



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May 17th 1825

Dear Bro,

Some time has elapsed since I heard from you
or anything from the mission I have almost sunk into
obscurity I seldom receive a letter from any quarter unless
on some business I have often thought of writing to you
and then declined perhaps should not at this time. It
was not to inform you of the melancholly news of the
Death of my old friend, and your Bro John B. Finley
who departed this life on the 8th Inst, I have not the
particulars of his death I only heard he was resigned
to leave the world ^{for} a better in his last hours he
according to information was in a delirium I have
no doubt our loss is his gain. he is gone we have
good reason to hope he has gone to God. Sister
Sanford died the day following that is the 9th Inst.
Oh! how many incentives to excite us to faithfulness
I have enjoyed a good degree of health since I saw you
I have a very unpleasant C. I, have had my B. I. I
and have only rec^d about \$50 in truck trade & money
but why should a living man complain, if I could
believe I was sent to that C. I. with a pure motive
I should feel resigned however I might call in
the judgment of Mr Collins in that but when I
saw the conduct of that man I was astonished
that the Bishops thus yielded to him and keep him
in those stations he chooses I will say to the
injury of the good cause. I do not expect to
be in the work much longer but my Gulation is

I live in the District he has charge of and if something
is not done or some change does not expect to have
the benefit of any of the D. M. he attends. if the C. t.
could be taken into your District let him stay in
C— to it will not so seriously affect me. I recd a letter
some time ^{past} complains heavily of him let him only take
Barnes into his head to sink a man he will stop at
nothing. From such a man good Lord deliver me and
the Church he is either Osequious or all must be Osequious
I will not say I am entitled to any indulgences that
will be decided in the great day by the great head of

The Church I think if the Law requires an Individual
should be honest, it requires that a body should be honest &c
but C. & C. have forfeited all confidence by saying what
they never meant to do, — Radicalism is

gaining some few advocates in Wilmington. Now the
influence of L. S. & A. J. T. I have had some trouble
with A. J. T. but I think the worst is over now my

Dear Bro James if you can release me from the

clutches of L. C. do help if not I know not

The result I shall not submit to him I have

been 30 years in the traveling Commission I still have

the plan it will be like giving up the Ghost to ^{be} driven away
by that man. if I could see you I would ease my heart

my love to Sister Fanny and accept the Assurance of your

I love