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Dear Brother,

I had the account made out for
you agreeably to your request the day you was
here, before I went to funeral sermon, but
did not see you again, or consider how to get it
to you, I now send it to you.

There seems some mistake respecting
the difference of the fathers, as there seems to
be an over number, I thought perhaps
Bro Clarke returned some and have set
it down so, that we can get connected
when we see him.

My family enjoy usual health and
I feel as well as I have for sometimes,
I want to Mr. Hann for the pills but have
not yet received them.

I have nothing new or special to
communicate, I have heard nothing
from the Post Office department yet, nor
do I think I shall be remembered, although

Y^{rs} Son
J^{no} W^m

James Buchanan



The Rev & Lrd Bishop

Hodgins

A circular red ink stamp, likely a library or archival mark, with text including "N. O." and "F. O." The stamp is partially obscured by the binding of the book.

Much exertions have been made and yet
one by McLean, Skinner & Co, at the same time
it would not be a matter of so much regret,
if I had any way to live and provide for my
family - I am perfectly they may take their
course, unworthy as I feel myself, the Lord has
hitherto provided for me, he has preserved me through
trials and afflictions and I must believe he will
keep me through, he has not preserved me but
from some good design, these reflections keep
me up and while reflecting on the subject,
I feel independent of what man can do, our
God can provide, glory to his name —

After you left me, I still had the text
in my mind, I named to you, and as I do
not like giving up the ship in religion,
I could not yet give up but I had read it as
I stated, so I commenced reading the Acts
of the Apostles at morning and night prayers,
well as I came in course to the eleventh
chapter and the 2^d Verse I read Barnabas
was sent forth, and how he rejoiced when
when he saw how things were with these men

Christians, how he exhorted them ^{in the 2^d verse} to cleave unto
the Lord (as did further Patterson lately die us)
Then I came and the precise words in the
2^d the ~~verse~~ that I had in my mind but
could not find, it was so appropriate to our
good old brother, that I regret that we missed it.

My Christian remembrance to Sister
Hendley, Brookes and Mrs Brooks and then
to him yesterday, I went as soon I could get off,
to class meeting, I heard Mrs Dixie and
it reminded me of Peter standing at the
gate, all engaged in prayer within, a quid
when he spoke to me I thought of good old
Paul going to Jerusalem, the brethren
heard of him and met him at Appia Forum, and
when he saw them he thanked God and took
courage, not that I feel worthy to loose
the shoes of such good men, let alone compare
myself to them, but I do feel encouraged to see
Mrs Dixie a man I ever loved and the right
and remembrance cheered your your unworthy
friend &c

Geo. Houston

Houston_ab70

Dayton 22 June 1829

Dear Brother

I send you as per request four Defence of the Fathers.

I had the account made out for you agreeably to your request the day you was here, before I went to funeral sermon, but did not see you again, or consider how to get it to you. I now send it to you.

There seems some mistake respecting the Defence of the Fathers, as there seems to be an over number. I thought perhaps Bro Clarke returned some and have set it down so. This we can get corrected when we see him.

My family enjoy usual health and I feel as well as I have for some time. I went to Urbana for the pills but have not yet received them.

I have nothing new or special to communicate. I have heard nothing from the Post Office department yet, nor do I think I shall be removed, although much exertions have been made and yet are by _____. At the same time it would not be a matter of so much regret, if I had any way to live and provide for my family. I am perfectly (?) they may take their course, unworthy as I feel myself. The Lord has hitherto provided for me. He has preserved me through trials and affliction and I must believe he will bring me through. He has not preserved me but for some good design. These reflections bear me up and while reflecting on the subject I feel independent of what man can do. Our God can provide, Glory to his name.

After you left me I still had the text in my mind I named to you, and I do not like giving up the ship in religion. I would not yet give up but I had read it as I stated, so I commenced reading the Acts of the Apostles at morning and night prayers. Well as I came in course to the eleventh chapter and the 22nd verse I read Barnabus was sent forth, and how he rejoiced when he saw how things were with these new Christians, how he exhorted them on the 23rd verse to cleve unto the Lord (as old Father Patterson lately did us). Then I came on the precise words in the 24th the verse that I had in my mind but could not find. It was so appropriate to our good old brother, that I regret that we missed it.

My Christian remembrance to Sister Finley, Brookes and Bro Brooks and say to him yesterday I went as soon I could get off to class meeting. I heard Bro Dixon and it reminded me of Peter standing at the gate, all engaged in prayer within. Again when he spoke to me I thought of good old Paul going to Jerusalem, the brethren heard of him and met him at Appian Forum, and when he saw them he thanked God and took courage, not that I feel worthy to _____ the shoes of such good men, let alone compare myself to them, but I did feel encouraged to see Bro Dixon, a man I ever loved, and the sight (?) and remembrance cheered yours.

Your unworthy friend,

Geo S. Houston