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James Gilruth

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I snatch a moment this morning my dear
Bro to ask after thy health & the prosperity of our
Gion in your station — I Bless you, this hour
I feel perfectly well in soul & body: & what need
I more? — I believe Grace & Courage to do my
Duty ~~will~~ with food & raiment will complete the
inventory of all I need (or desire in reference to
to myself) on earth with respect to grain, I am persuaded
I shall have ^{I live} all from & for: & of the balance he that
feed the raven, & guards the sparrow shall & will keep
my provident. Then glory to his excellent Majesty of him
I will trust. —

We have a general state of peace on Granville circuit, &
The Radicals are doing us no harm of consequence, there
has but one (& he a probationer) gone from us to them this year: &
I am of opinion that there is scarcely another on Granville
circuit that they will get.

Bro Hooper has been some unwell, by which, on the whole he
has lost perhaps half a round on the circuit. I have seen him but
once since conference, & that was at G.M. Such is the form of our
circuit —

Bro I feel some anxiety to know what is done, or
going to be done with My Manuscript on Baptism! — It was
known on this circuit while writing it, that I was writing on
that subject: when asked, when I was going to have it printed, I
told them I would give it to the M.F.C. to print, or not as it
saw good. — The People (many of them) know I gave it to the confer-
ance, to print or not, & they now ask what is done with it?
When shall we have them &c? I wish you would be so good as
to let me know what is the ultimate determination in
reference to it.

Our G.M. was good & joined — we had a blessed conference
Bro you have no persecution from these poor Indians — it is
Carp alone who has grumbled about the halting & Wm. W
also says you were wrong in promising &c — My dear
friend I feel for you your Complaints meet my soul
with sympathy — it had been good you had come out
from urbana — Bro Brown has engaged to Surway
the reservation M. Vincent is engaged to teach the
school & superintend the boys for \$512 per Month
in great hast & love yours — J — Gilvuth
J B F

P.S. Our next G.M. is the 1st Sat & Sun of Aug —

I wrote some time ago to Bro Holaday, but I have received
 no answer. I suppose he has ^{been} perhaps is absent at conference &c.
 it will be no mortification to me if it should not be printed.
 It was for the interest of the M.E.C. I wrote it, but if it will not
 promote that, don't print it; let it be returned to me at confer-
 ence, or when I call for it then; only be so good as to let me
 know what is the final determination. As soon as you can.

We have had a cold winter, & much snow: & the Devils
 disciples have had high glee in sleighing &c. &c.
 Health is in general pretty good, yet there has been a good many deaths.

Old Sister Boush in this place is now at the point of death - she may
 recover but it is doubtful. - My family are well. My love to
 yours truly -

J B Finley

farewell -

J - Gilbreth

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