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## Letter from William Philpot to James B. Finley

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Rev. James B. Finley  
 in favor of Miss Linnimots  
 Great Valley Pa  
 Ohio

William Phillips

Barnesville 8<sup>th</sup> April 1830

Dear Bro Finley

I take the liberty of addressing you a line to Inform you that through the Mercy and goodness of a kind Providence we are all as a family in the land of the living, and have been blessed with a good degree of health, we have now eleven Children all living, the two oldest are married the oldest has two Children and the younger one but have to regret there are only them two that are professors of Religion, however I do not despair I put a strong hope that sooner or later that God that is able to work in the hearts of the Unregenerate will work in the heart to well and to do of his own good pleasure - my Wife and myself are yet contending against the opposition that Gods people are incident to in this life and feel by grace divine assisting us that we shall be enabled to persevere to the end, and enter into that Rest that remains for the people of God - I wish to give you an Introduction to Sister Sarah Taylor who has gone to Cincinnati with an expectation

of residing there and recommend her to you as  
a young Woman that is trying to get to the  
good world. She has been a Member of my  
Class for several years, during which time she  
has conducted herself as a Christian. She has  
by her own Industry try to support herself and  
Intends to try to get a School in your City -  
I will take it as a particular favour if  
you take some notice of her and feel an  
Interest in getting her into business - she has  
acted in the Capacity of a Teacher here for  
a considerable time, and I can truly say that  
she has given general Satisfaction, and that  
she has brought on my Children when small as  
fast, if not faster than any teacher they have  
gone to - she will I suspect hand in her Certificate  
soon after her arrival - your old friends here are  
generally trying to hold fast in the Good old  
way - but I think the time is approaching that  
we'll try the firmness of the foundation of some

of our Members. This place and vicinity  
Doctor Bonnet has come here again and I am  
inclined to think for the purpose of scattering  
tearing and slaying, as far as lies in his  
power, being a very warm Radical our borders  
here so far has been peaceable so far, but  
since he has come the heaven appears in some  
degree to be working I understand he has sent  
on the names of 24 Subscribers for the Mutual  
Rights - though what he has done and  
doing is underhanded and kept as private as  
possible - how the thing may terminate, is only  
known to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords  
expecting that some of their most formidable cham-  
-pions would be invited here to preach, the Meeting  
house I quote had a Meeting yesterday and have  
agreed to take a firm stand against letting them  
into our Meeting house to Preach - I hope Sister  
Birby and yourself are well - I would be much  
glad to hear from you often. Give our best res-  
-pects to Sister Birby, and remember your Brother in Christ  
William Philpot