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(39) Lebanon 22^d June 1833

Bro Finley

Bro White informs me that you are ^{rather} no
and do not expect to be able to go much
farther in your Detested Labours and that
you say you must be left behind
When I heard this I almost wished my farm lay
by yours that I might see your last as you
restrep mine and both lay in one grave yard
Such is my attachment to you that I cannot
endure the idea of your parting Lord
at any rate while I have any thing to do.
In the Church for I find that I can do Business
with you better than any other in conference
though I love all the Preachers
I Pray God you may recover if not Brother
Finley be careful and happy in resignation
We shall soon meet (I hope) with your friends
that is gone before O how happy we shall
be if we meet in heaven and find that we have
Preached ~~the~~ truth and in so many saved souls
and the hundreds that will follow after an
Inquire in heaven where is old Belous
though going Finley and they will point back to
the vast range of your labours to some
meeting where your preaching proved the Power
of God to their Salvation I Believe this
moment that I ~~shall~~ be there with you
see and behold and enjoy more than we can
now conceive of Lord grant it

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My health is very poor this week I went
in the water last Sabbath to Bathing 24
after all the labours of the meeting

Once more Bro Finley I fear that
our conference will all most be defeated
if sickness continues in the City

The Friends say in Lebanon that if
the conference should be removed there
they will support it well for all that
I will vouch much on this subject
for if any thing is done you and myself
must begin it will be much regretted if
sickness should be bad in the City and
some of our Brethren fall victims
I only suggest these things for
your consideration

Farewell I am yours for ever

Bro Finley

Arthur W. Elliott

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