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Letter from Hannah Finley Hough to James B. Finley

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Shelby County Ia March 14th 1845 -

Dear Brother I received your very welcome letter which gave me great satisfaction to hear that you was yet on the Land & amongst the living, we are all in tolerable health except James he is not able to ^{be} up and about but little - Becorah Webb is the Executor of the last will of Joseph - he has proceed to take letters Testamentary upon said will has made sale of the property that will leave me the proceeds of all the Improved Lands & one half of the Mill during Life and after paying Polly & Eliza Hazer & Rebecca McFadden each \$1.00 out of the personal estate I was to have one half of the residue the other half to go to Nancy Ann Webb Ellen White & Elvira White Equally the Lands is divided amongst the Boys - I ~~have~~ received your kind & brotherly advice with gratitude & hope ~~that~~ & expect that I shall still have your prayers that all my acts herebelow may directed by that all gracious being who overrules & holds the destinies of all men and Nations in his Almighty hand - and that when I shall ^{have} ended my pilgrimage herebelow that I may be of that happy number that shall be clad in the garments of salvation & shall have a right to the Tree of Life where all my toils shall end and I shall be permitted to join all my Christian friends who have gone before in celebrating the praise of him who died that we might live & reign with him. I have had some thoughts of breaking up here and going to your Country to live - but do not know what is best - & this is one thing that I want to see you about that we may talk over all my affairs & situation in life & I now solicit you by dear Brother to come out & see me as soon as you can do so write on the reception of this and let me know ~~all about~~ the Conclusion of the whole matter I still am expecting you to preach the Funeral sermon of my departed husband, my own health is very much on the decline I feel that I am fast tending to ^{the} place appointed for all Living - give my best respects & well wishes to Eliza Brook & all

The rest of my friends and acquaintances if you can
fix on a time when you can come please let me know in
your next letter direct to Manwaring's office
The children all sends the love to you all their friends
No more at present but remains your sister
Hannah Hough

To James B. Findley

Manwaring's
3rd
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