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Newark March 17. 1846

My dear Bro Finley

Your interesting and affectionate letter was received some days since, and should have been answered some days ago, but for the hope I entertained of seeing you in Lack town at Quarterly Meeting. I failed to get there, however, on account of high water, and having learned that you had left for Columbus, I thought ~~it would~~ would, help Bro Mackner at some other time which will answer my purpose. In regard to the contents of your letter, I am ~~amazed~~ that, I feel much gratified, I know you are sincere in your attachments to us, and what you have said is not by way of "flattery" — but an honest feeling of your heart. You cannot possibly feel yourself under greater obligations to us, than we are to yourself, for you have more treated us otherwise, than kindly, and respectfully; you will accept our thanks, for past favours, and though we may be deprived of your visits, ^{and counsel} for a season (and perhaps for ever) yet the recollection of the past can never be locked up in the chamber of forgetfulness. I felt badly when I heard that you were under the necessity of leaving ~~us~~, but as the change will ~~be very~~ ^{be} your labour, I will submit however unpleasant to my feelings.

I understand that Bro Miley is to be your successor; the appointment I consider a good one ~~and~~ have no doubt but he will be useful. You requested me to give you the particulars of our arrival, I sent a few lines to Bro Elliott, and suppose

Rev. A. B. Finley

Columbus

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Ansured
J. M. D. Howe

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he will publish them. There were about 12 or 15 conversions. 35. (now 36) added to the church. So far as the membership is concerned, I can say that much good has been done. There were many who were cold in religion, and their feet had well nigh slipped, but are now quite firm in the cause of Christ. Our Class Meetings are well attended and our congregations very large.

A few days ago, there was a sad affair took place in our town. Bro. Wm. Brigg, made an attempt to kill himself, but failed to accomplish his object. He took a pistol that was charged with large shot, went into a building in rear of his store, ~~and then~~ and then attempted to shoot himself in the brain. The charge entered his head above the right ear, passing upward so as not to fracture the skull. His hat was much torn, but the wound was not very serious. When they found him he was sitting on the floor, partly recovered from the shock he had received. I have visited him several times since, and have had an ~~unrepeated~~ ^{unrepeated} conversation on the subject. His difficulties were of a worldly character. When I see you I will give further particulars.

Your trunk is finished and as Bro. Wilson took much pains to have it look well he is unwilling to send it in the stage as it may get rubbed or injured in some way, and he has had no opportunity of sending it by private conveyance.

I wish you to write me soon and let me know when I shall send it, to Columbus or Jackson.

It is possible I may have an opportunity to send

it to Columbus soon.

The people of Newark are well with few exceptions. Your friends are anxious to have you come on and see them as soon as convenient, and none more so than my self. I think you might visit us at least once a quarter. do come.

Quartermen come on slowly. I fear I shall be like the boy in harvest, "way behind"; but the people say not. There are five dollars due you which will be forwarded to you as soon as it can be raised.

Mary and Charles Hinley are well. Mary wants to know when Paddy will come, she thinks as much of you as she does of me.

Lane tender her love to you, and is anxious to have you come on and see us, Henry.

Pray for us. Our love to Bro. Moody and family. In great haste. I remain
Your Friend and Fellow Labourer

L. W. Stone

Rev L. B. Hinley

N.B. My ink is composed of seltzer and water. it is next to impossible to write with it.

L. W. Stone

Please give me the price of ~~Pack~~ reply to
Boscomb.