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Letter from M.D. Brooke to James B. Finley

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Shoreland

July 30

Wm. J. Finley

Paris

Columbus Ohio

Wm. J. Finley
July 1846

To care this letter Sam. Salway and send
Compliment for Mrs. Argo

From Will. July 30 1846

Rev. L. P. Finley

Dear Bro

Your kind letter

were rec^d by our carrier of mail
and now attempt to answer this
morning. I cannot but feel grateful
for the manner in which you speak
of myself and family and do sincerely
trust that we may never do any thing
that ^{would} cause us to forfeit that friendship
which you hope to have for us.

I am certain my dear father Scidley
I know no man whose friends he
would more appreciate than yours.
I hope by this time your health has
improv^d so that you will be able to
attend to the duties we can best upon
in the Prison without inconvenience to
yourself. I am glad to learn you are
satisfied with your appointment.
As regards my family we still trust we
will be able to make a safe passage
from this to another & better world although
I am satisfied it will require a great
deal of grace to sustain poor me amidst
the difficulties through which I have to pass
But trust I shall be sustained and finally

die in Peace and meet you in that
world where no trouble now enters.
as regards my Business here it is true
I have some out, and expect to go
to Somerset.

I have the Mill and purchase a
Handsome property in & change.
It is the Property of Thomas Wood Lewis in
and built by Mr. J. Moller. fine built
house, good Spring, orchard, and
very convenient with 93 acres of land
enclosed. I have no doubt you know
the Property, and in which I hope
yet to see my dear one for a friendly
and together again. Break Bread before
we go there to be no more.

My property here including goods is all
sold and I think on good terms
for the time. I get no money but all
secured and on interest after six months
I expect to be in our new home by
first October next, and now say that
although my Residence will be changed
there is no change that I make but I
will be with you to consider my house
wherever you find it as one of your
homes in this world of sorrow. It will
always afford me pleasure to have you
in the circle of my family, when convenient for you

Leaves M^r. J. Morrison, Fairly Ohio
Dear David Patton }
will you not be able to come to our
Quarterly Meeting; we should be glad
to see you. then and always.

Don't forget I shall be in Rehoboth
Arcut next year. and should it
so happen that you could let us have
our Beloved Joseph Newson I will not
be a fault with my Body.

M^r. L. Wilson is still with me. He is
a good Boy and trying to live right.
Some of our young men have not
done well they have back slid and
gone, good money of our contributions
stand fast and promise well
May the Great Head of the Church
Sustain this Church and keep them in
the path of duty. I hope that at last
their joy the with my family & maybe
permitted to shift our glad hands with
you my dear Brother in the Eternal world
where we will be forever. There is to sing
the songs of Zion forever. pray for us.

Let me hear from you whenever you
can find time. an love to you and yours
May god Bless you in this life with all needs
Blessing & in the world to come. Love & prayers
Your unworthy Brother M^r. D. Brown