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Letter from Leroy Hamisfar to James B. Finley

Leroy Hamisfar

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Fultonham
Sept 21

Rev. J. B. Finley
Columbus Ohio

J. B. Finley
Leroy Mass
Sumner
Leroy Mass
Lynch
Ohio

Leroy Mass
Harrisburg
1846

Home Sept 18th 1846

Dear Mr. Finley
after waiting a long long time
& receiving no answer I again
address myself to you for I fear you
have forgotten us but perhaps this may
be a souvenir to awaken recollections
of the past, just imagine your friend
Leroy seated at the desk writing these
lines Mother busied about household
affairs Father engaged as usual with
Book accounts Charles reading &c
and you have an exact representation
of our family at present but where is
Father Finley that used to be with us his
place is vacant, Alas those friends we
wish to be always near are often absent
but still they can be with us in re-
membrance if not in Propria Persona
in imagination we can recall their forms
features & conversation which is truly a
great pleasure in their absence and inferior
only to their presence in reality. Brother

Philips on arriving at home from
Conference informed us he seen you there
that your health was good and that
you intended paying us a visit but
at present you was so busily engaged
that it was impossible, we hope you can
arrange your business so as to make it
soon as possible for we are all very
anxious to see you and I have much to
tell you I am now just recovering from
a severe attack of the fever which
confined me for three weeks the health
of the rest of the family is good and I
hope it may continue Isaac is away from
home at this time, the season is very
warm & dry too much so for seeding
James Ritchie & family are well & send
their respects to you James still continues
his visits here and takes his siesta
as regular as an Italian Lord Brother
Philips last sermon here operated rather hard
on most of the Leaders & stewards of this
circuit especially on Beaman & one or two
others, in my opinion they got their
deserts, nothing more. after we get done seeding
there will no very pressing business for me
here and Father Finley if you could

obtain some situation for me for
six months or a year in which I could
realise something I would be very much
gratified indeed. Times are very hard
here money is very scarce however we are
making some progress in extricating ourselves
from the commercial embarrassments in
which we are placed I know of nothing
more of any interest and I shall now conclude
for fear of tiring you by my incoherent
letter (Eh Bien), you must not forget to
write soon. We send our love to you
and your family Hoping the Bon D.
may have you all under his holy
surveillance Father Finley this is
Le voisin à sa voisine nothing more
but remain your affectionate friend
I Humble D.

Rev. J. A. Finley
Columbus
Ohio

Leroy D. Hammar
Lovers
Ohio