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## Letter from Samuel P. Shaw to James B. Finley

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March 10<sup>th</sup> 1828 London Ohio 22

Rev<sup>d</sup> + very dear Sir— Feeling bound by duty  
I take this method to state to you a few particulars  
As to health of self + Family it is good & is generally so  
on the Circuit however death is not a stranger in  
those parts. Dr John M<sup>d</sup> Donald's wife has left time  
with only one day's sickness. The State of Ohio  
appears about as common— with this one  
exception we have had better meetings for one  
month than all the past year. The introduction  
of our new Society is favourably received by a  
considerable majority of the population. We are  
making exertions which have procured perhaps  
300 subscribers who I hope will soon pay  
their subscriptions— We expect to send soon  
Circumstances to Dr M. Ruter for several dollars  
worth of Tracts. Our bylaws appropriate one  
half the money subscribed + paid to the Missions  
Society— Our London brethren are working at  
the Meeting House & agree to have it finished for  
Sept. You will therefore come to that place  
to hold said meeting

I fear Sir there is a mistake of the time  
I have given it out for the first Saturday  
& Sabbath in April. But in this there appears  
to be a difference I wish Sir if I am mistaken  
you would correct it as soon as possible—  
by letter. For if it is not corrected in a few  
days it will be too late— I have only to say  
to you that my trials are great my graces few—  
my knowledge small my duty strong I in my  
administration am opposed many hard things are  
said but I bless God my conscience is still clear  
Dr Butler is going on well God is with him  
& I think he is becoming more temperant—  
I have neither saw nor heard of my Brother of  
whom we spoke as traveling the remainder of  
of the year

And now my Dear Brother  
continue to pray for me as a  
duty you owe for the peace of Zion & the  
glory of God— While I bid you farewell  
Rev<sup>d</sup> J. B. Farley. I D. Shaw



Wm. J. Jones, Esq.

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Warren County

Highsville

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Ohio

March 15th

J. M. Jones