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Letter from Catherine Hicks & John Hicks to James B. Finley

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Wyandott Nation Ind. Ter. July 29th
1848

Dear Brother.

The frequent mention of our names in your letters to Brother Gray Eyes assures us that you have not forgotten us. Your name brings to remembrance the days of other years which fills our hearts with gratitude and praise to God. Many years have passed since we first met in the wilderness of Sandusky and learned to sing praises to the Redeemer. Many changes have been brought about since we last met. Decrepit old age is now upon us, and we feel that our stay on earth is soon to close. Yet in the midst of the changes of things earthly, we can speak of one thing which changes not. The love of Jesus still burns, glows and cheers us on.

As we approach nearer and nearer the river of death the prospect beyond grows brighter.

We wish to tell you that we are still traveling on, by the help of grace, towards the heavenly land. We tender ^{you} our hands and hearts to meet you there, with all the faithful.

You speak of coming to see us. This would be indeed happiness beyond what we deserve. To take you by the hand once more on before we push off from the shores of earth would fill our cups with joy. We shall stand ready with open arms to welcome you to our land. May the God of peace be with us.

Your brother and sister in Christ
Catharine & John Hicks

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