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## Letter from David Young to James B. Finley

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Janesville Feb 16<sup>th</sup> 1824

De<sup>r</sup> Bro

I rec<sup>d</sup> yours of the 20<sup>th</sup> Ult in  
common time & from its contents expected to  
have seen your face before this time, for  
you wrote (perhaps by mistake) that you would  
see me in the first week in March but alas!  
I have looked out in vain! Did you not  
mean April instead of March? I am desir-  
-ous to know this fact, for if you would  
go with me to G. Can, & we should go by N. City  
ought to be off the 1<sup>st</sup> of April.

I am glad the Mission prospers & that  
its influence has extended to Canada. But  
that Sagana Mission I am afraid will do  
but little if any good in our day.

I have thought it closely as I could on  
the subject of your anxiety ear Viz how to  
provide a perpetual stock of clothing for the Orphan<sup>age</sup>

Your conjecture on raising Sheep may be  
a good one I think it is worth an experiment  
But I would suggest for your consideration  
the paramount advantage of raising hogs it appears  
to me that Pork might be exchanged for clothing  
to good advantage when the N York Canal opens  
the route from Erie to N York City!

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rec<sup>d</sup> of  
James B Gurley  
Upper Sandusky  
Guro

JANESVILLE  
MAR 16  
ONTO

Young Feb 1824

I have been led to think the above — from the greater attention necessary to raise sheep than hogs. The Indians are fond of keeping numerous dogs, who would kill 2 Sheep for one hog. Besides if I am not mistaken Sandusky &c is an excellent country to breed swine.

I did not intend to have written any thing hardly when I began except the enquiry when you expect to be here. But I may as well fill up my page. Then you must I have been sick or disordered, ever since conference I have not rode 20 miles since I came home with the Fever & Ague & then the Piles so I concluded it probable that I ever went about much more thro the country. it could not be on horse backs so I sold one of my Ponies for a waggon & if I go to Gen. Con. the other must drag me &c. This is (so far) a gloomy year to me. You made me effective you made me deproratory at Con. Experience has taught me the one was a vain effort & it is well if you do not repent the other. If I come to next conference — shake hands firmly & divine nearly all may be well. But if not can you guess the consequence? If so you can tell me when we meet —

My family are moderately well. There is nothing here religiously remarkable. Give my salutations for the welfare of the souls & bodies of the Indians old & young to them severally. And believe me still to be the sincere friend of you & yours

D. Payne  
11/5

Dr B Finley

P.S. Write me by first mail without fail  
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