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Letter from David Young to James B. Finley

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Dr. Hra

Gaunders Sep 6. 1849

Yours of **July** last came to hand when I was lying sick - it contained information that you were going north to return about the middle of August to Columbus - so if I had been able I know not where to direct you a letter - & three weeks ago yesterday was taken very sick again & yesterday was the first of my being out of doors - I learn from your letter in the W & Advocate that you have been & still are at home tho in a very poor state of health I suppose they have given you the proof that if a man has a little more influence or does a little more good than his contemporaries he never fails paying a tariff to slander. But I hope still believe the good will more than balance the evil.

Of my present appearance it is doubtful whether I shall reach you this fall - but it may be otherwise.

My wife is in common health for her & wishes to be remembered to you.

I feel as if my race was almost run, & if I can reach the goal in triumph it makes but little odds when! It would not be strange to me if our poor feeble wives survived us both.

Sept 7
G. Gaunders
Sept 4/49

Wm. J. H. Kirby
Boston

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Write me a receipt of this & you may
hear from me again before long.
God bless & save forever you & yours —
As ever
Thine

J B Kirsey
D. Yarn

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