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## Letter from B.E. Taylor to James B. Finley

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Hagerstown Nov 25 1847

Dear Friend & Grand Parent  
Yours of the first of the Month came  
to hand, and was cordially received  
We hastened to examine the contents of it  
And hope in the first place that your  
prayer may be answered that Mercy and  
Grace may attend our Pilgrimage here  
below and then join with you and all  
the Redeemed, in that Building that is not  
made by hands, but Eternally in the  
Heavens, that is what we are living for  
Daily though we meet with many combats  
and some where we should not expect  
them but such is the situation of our  
Society here, there are but few that have  
Confidence in each other, the last conference  
year has been one of those that was famous  
for difficulties & warfare &c Our new Preacher  
has come on and is very much liked and  
I think if he continues his onward course as  
he has commenced, the Church will look up  
and prosper, at present we are at a stand  
well I am glad of that, for we have been drooping  
and drooping untill we almost drooped  
to nothing and now the few that are on the  
List and attend Class are trying to get  
up to the old Land Mark, May the Lord  
help us, and will you pray for us.  
We have a very full and interesting Sabbath  
School and increasing every Sabbath both  
in interest and in scholars.

The Health of our Town is very good at  
Present, business is about as common the  
Merchants are busy from morning till night  
and Mechanics crowded for work



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For my part I cant fill more than half  
of the that bills that come in if I live till  
Next spring I will Enlarge, our health  
is good none of us have saw a sick day  
since we saw you at home, we should  
have been glad to have seen you at  
home when you wrote to us, but still  
better pleased to have you and Grandmother  
here to spend some time with us, I think  
the time would pass off pleasantly, as for  
the Hunting part I think it would go off  
about right for I should like to pick  
a few squirrels from one of the Markesmen  
of Columbus, I fancy I see them fall.  
We all join in sending you our Respects and  
love, and would be glad to here from you  
often, and as soon as you can pay us a visit  
please do so., Yours With Respect  
Rev. L. B. Finley B. E. Taylor

Columbus Ohio

Rev. L. B. Finley

Flagstaff Ariz  
Nov 30

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B. E. Taylor  
Dec 11/84