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Letter from James B. Brooke & M.F. Brooke to James B. Finley

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Sagestown Va. Dec 26th 1847

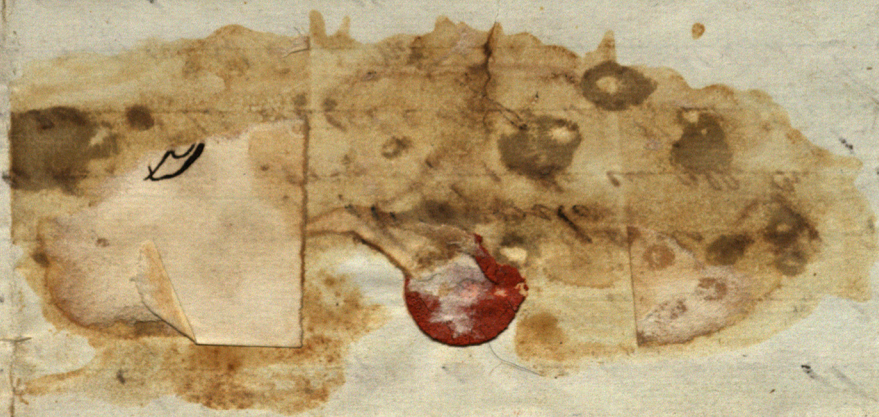
Dear G. Father

Your kind favour was received
some 3 weeks ago and I would have answered it
much sooner But being then confined to my bed
with the Billious Congestion fever which lasted for weeks
from which I had not recovered Before I was taken
with a Fever of an Inflammatory Character which has
held me fast until within 3 days of this date
Young was a very reasonable man for having been so
much afflicted as I have been Since Sept. last a kind
look or friendly smile to say nothing of a kind letter
from a parent was a wish that now says he that feels
it knows. I have suffered much from disease this fall
more than at any one time in my life Before. Not it seems
to be my favoured lot at which I do not feel disposed to repine
My mind has been firm & fixed in all my present illness
and should I be called off without seeing one of my
relations or friends save my own Wife & Children I could not
feel forsaken but would lay down the conquest in my youth
with a full assurance of meeting not only a few but
many very many who have gone & soon would follow
to bask in the unbounded goodness of a Designing
Creator. I am indeed thankful to have a parent that
not only remembers me temporarily but when lost to all
sight of earth would not forget my Cause & life before
his Master. I have often been pronounced unfeeling by
acquaintances & others but my feelings were ever true & strong
But when once placed never are former lost & the feelings
I imbibed in my youth are not lost but more firmly
fixed & I do not presume to be governed by any feeling
apart from judgement & duty. You will probably think I
am making quite an exhibition on paper. but suffice it to
say I am now Convalescent and hope to Anson that I
may be able for my Daily avocation I pray this may
reach you in good health I have not heard from any at home
since young

Wazil & Catharine are well and doing tolerable
 we will see you in some 3 or 4 weeks when
 we hope you will be able soon to pay us the 2^d visit
 I am glad just but a few days ago as it was only a
 child and now since the 14th past in my 28th year
 a dozen years more and where may we all be I could hope
 and I don't hope it would be but separated in life we
 can be hereafter never accept the Respects of Mr & Mrs
 Fisher. And our Best Wishes for your health and
 happiness here; with a better prospect ahead
 We are your Children

W. Fisher

W. B. Moore
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