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Dayton Sep 29 1848

Rev J. B. Finley

Dear Brother,

For reasons not necessary for me here to mention, Wesley Charge will not petition your honorable body to hold your next annual session of Conference here, notwithstanding that I may be permitted to give my humble opinion in regard to the matter in a few words, Our City I think is entitled to, and should have the next session of your conference holden here,

That some of our official brethren are opposed to it, is true but that the great majority of the church members are in favor of it, I hazard nothing in saying is equally true, My information is that Finley Chapel are desirous to have conference here, you can however learn more particularly from Bro Raper in regard to that,

I do hope and trust you will settle upon our City as the place, we have in by gone days shown some liberality by entertaining our political friends, and it does seem to me that the Preachers of the M & Church will meet with a cordial reception, not only among the Methodist brethren, but among many members of other churches and the citizens generally

Shannon Brown
Dayton
Oct 48



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Rev J. B. Finley
Newark
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I wish you to understand that I am going
it on my own hook, not having consulted with
any one, Brother Jewell excepted, who will
write Bro Walker on the subject,

I was pained to learn of the indisposition
of Mrs Denny, will you favor me with a line
soon, as I am anxious to learn from her

Very truly Yours
J. H. Brown