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J. Hunt to Q. Letters
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Chilo. Ohio. 3000
Jan. 6th 1849.
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J. Hunt. Jr. Rm.

Rev. J. B. Finley,
Canton
Chilo. Ohio.

Banks of the Ohio,
Chilo. Jan. 6th 1849

Rev. J. B. Finley:

My dear Sir: I am in hopes that you will bear with me patiently in thus addressing you on something which, in all human probability, will never prove of any avail to you, in a pecuniary point of view. I commit all to your goodness of heart; so that anything you may see proper to reject coming from me, will be met with a spirit of submissive Composure.

The object I have now in writing is, to ask Mr. J. S. Gordon, if he would be willing for me to trade the 400 acres of Land he has in Indiana, for the property I now occupy in this place. It is in my judgment, worth, at the least calculation \$300, and under present arrangements, I am subject to removal, at any time. I have got a good trade established now, and am anxious to keep it. I could I suppose purchase it myself, but it draws heavily on my pecuniary means. Be that as it may; the property here, would at any time sell more to his advantage, than the Land in Indiana. He may rest assured that, whatever I may do in the matter will be with an eye to his, as well as my own interest. If convenient, I shall be happy to learn his views in regard to this, at as soon a period as possible, and, more over, I should like to receive from him a "show of atty" in in the Cause. Let it be remembered that, I do not urge this, I merely ask it, and his decision will be respected.

If you please, you may communicate to Mr. Cowdon, that I recd. the other day, a letter from his friend John Elm Esq, a letter, in which he expressed deep solicitude for his wife, and wished to know if it were possible for him to get a letter to Mr. C. I refused him to you, for information. He talks of coming down to see me this winter. The Rev. Mr. White, too, of Cincinnati wrote me a very gentlemanly letter, touching Mr. Cowdon's case, and wished me to call on him, when I visit the City. I shall take unbounded satisfaction in so doing.

So far as news of a general nature is concerned with me, I can only say that things and time move on, with their accustomed pace. Within four weeks I shall, Providence permitting, visit Cin'ty, on business and will, with your consent, visit him again. I should like to know something in relation to those notes against Branham.

With a fervent wish that, this (our) unexpect'd correspondence, may, in the ultimate, be the means of forming a Chain of Friendship, whose links, like the sacred Key, will grow brighter by age; and ^{likewise,} serve to mitigate in our ordinary degree, the situation of the unfortunate one, for to whom it was commenced, I close, by subscribing myself.

Yours, truly and sincerely -

Rev. J. B. Finley
Chaplain of the
S. I. P.

J. Hunt, Jr.
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