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Rev. James B. Finley
Columbus City Mo

TO
AUG 27
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Recd
J. P. Brooks
1847
August

August 29th 1847

Dear Sir

I have been looking for word from you but none yet and now I say we are not all well some afflicted and first Mrs. Finley was taken with a chill a few days since has had 2 or 3 chills but with little opperrent fever comes on 3 hours sooner every other day but when the chill is off she is pretty smart Sarah Ann was taken 2 day since with fever and has been quite sick but I think it will assume the intermitent form & Jane has been down with swelled Lows & teeth and gums but is better Asbury has had a fever attack of the bowels and it has slid into chills or at least fever every night there is no great amount of sickness in our County so far as I know old Mr Black is still chiled with the ague we are thravigh with Harvest have sent the timber for your Room Mr Lockwood has not com to work yet but promises to com tomorrow if he want com I will get some other hand I shall have to buy shingles for it these chambers engaged have failed our campmeeting was nothing to arrange of some few laid the church and some conversions the Deacons to the Bishop to make two circuits out off Estan one to be called Candan including all south of Estan except antioch Estan to have that & Westville Ferris New Hope and one other

appointment north I think the division uncollected
for and that neither will be able to sustain them
selus but party feeling has produced it and a
desire to have some preaching at every appointments
(Brook Davis is not desired back on the Eastern port
James is in at eastern getting logs & timber to build
with the north Charly one in tolerable health
Bay and Nathorem with the children are well
Andrew & Hannah also

I have both 2 Hegg nails 1.8 & 1.4 I sent to the
city for them as the asked here for Round the cost
left Round

I have spoken to Silas about surveying the land
again he has no objections but is not willing
to pay any more Mr Streight says he will
care if you let him know in time
you had better have it done soon as Silas
wants to build his fence and so do we
I have not been at Gornantown and unless
we are better shall not be able to go soon

I don't feel well myself but don't
complain we have had a hard & long harvest
and I am thin down
Campbell has cut between 50 & 60 cords and
unless he does better will leave some 10 or 15
in debt or I fear he must have meat &
bread or quit work and hardly work enough
to pay for that I am trying to push him
but he moves slow

now I have told you all I can think of worth
writing and close by saying

I am as ever your true friend
John C Brooke
Rev S W Finch