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Letter from John Rathbun to James B. Finley

John Rathbun

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Franklin Co Brown Township Jan, 20. 1858

Dear Brother I Received your Letter two days ago
and was glad to hear from you but sorry that you
was a flatted but you and I have come to those
years that we can say we have no plesshed in
them but I hope in god that there is a better
~~day~~ day a coming when the former things has
passt away and all things become new there
on those high and flowerrey plains our
Sperrets mer shall live but in purpetual
joyful Strainz Redeeming Love admire
my health is estill poor I am ^{alle} to do my
choerz but coff a geat deal and Rase mitch
matter from my Lungz my Left side feels
like I had a shinggle naild to it trobled
with shortness of breath I took the aqua
in the fall and it still Returns now and
then and every time it comes it Rousez
my brest complaint but after all I am quite
fleshye I beleve my days will be few here
But I am striven to get to that Rest that
Remains for the people of god pray for me
Brother that I may be fully prepered my
wife health is poor Brother Mc Galley sent
me word to fetch your Books down to Jeffer
and met you there I done so and waitted
most all day to see you he told me you

Wanted the Books Left with him I done so
if ^{he} does ^{not} send them to you if am speard and
able I shall ~~to~~ come to see you next
Spring and I will bring the Books I did not no
how to direct a letter to you or I should
have better long ago please write often
and let me no how you get a long I remain
your Brother for ever and for ever John Rathburn
to Rev J B Tenley

Rev
John Rathburn
Jan 20 1850

Rev J B Tenley
Boston
Mass

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