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Chap. Box No 6

Rev. J. P. Finley



Eaton

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Somerset Aug. 19th 1852

Dear bro. Finley,

I have opened a negotiation, on the subject of the McKendree "Monument" with the "M. E. Church South" through the medium of Bish^d Soule.

He laid my communication before a committee, and they appointed the Rev. J. B. McFerrin to answer it.

I will now give you the substance of his letter. First, The Nashville Conference would have removed the remains of the Bishop long since to the city of Nashville and erected a monument but the family objected to it. The objections are now removed. The family having nearly all deceased and the farm whereon is the graveyard, passed into other hands. We are at liberty now to remove the Bishop's remains as soon as we shall be ready.

Second, The "M. E. Church South" is very willing that we should

participate in this noble work, and
show our gratitude to that great-
good man who served the church
so long and so faithfully.

Third, The graveyard lies in a
dilapidated and forlorn condition
and in a short time it will be im-
possible to distinguish his grave or
tell where the good man lies.

And now bro. Finley I will
say to you, No man ever loved you
better than Mr. Hendree did and no
man ever did more for you excepting
your own father; and you loved him,
honored him and obeyed him in
life and notwithstanding other men
may have treated you rudely, that
is no reason that you should neglect
or forsake your own beloved Mr. Hen-
dree, and I do not believe you will.

As soon as the thing is ready for
action, you will please take the
lead as you are the most efficient
man of the Committee.

I love you and often
pray for you - would delight
very much to see you.

Pray for me - Write soon
I am your affec. brother
Rev. J. B. Finley }
J. Young