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## Letter from C.F. Brooke to James B. Finley

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Cattine O January 6th 1853

Dear Grandfather

Yours was received by due course of mail. I was glad to learn that you was well. I think much more of the birth in the Book Room at \$500. than of the other at \$400. I will come down as you request early in Feb. if my family is so I can leave home. and I can then see as to which birth would suite me best. I am almost certain that \$400. would leave me in debt at the end of the year unless I would seek night work at posting books or writing Mr. Bradstreet states I can have night work at my house at 12 1/2 cents per hour this would certainly be no great inducement and would not pay. I dont mind to work hard if I can get wages to justify. I wrote to Mr. Bradstreet by this mail I will come down in Feb. any how if you think best but I dont think I could stand \$400. per year what do you think about it he says he will give for the second what is right that is I suppose what he may think to be right. I will try to manage to go down with you to the City when you come up. we are tolerable only in health Susan is quite unwell with cold in connexion with other matters write soon yours very truly

See what Mr Bradstreet thinks of increasing my wages over \$400 and write me

Res. J. B. Finley