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## Letter from Thomas Mason to James B. Finley

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Thomas  
Mason

1823

Rev James B. Hinley  
Upper Sandusky  
Ohio

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Rev Jas. B. Hinley,

New York December 22. 1823.

Dear brother,

This day recd. a letter from William Brown  
Cor. Secy. of the Baltimore Conference Missy Society, saying  
"that a letter had been recd. from you in the City of Balti-  
more, in which you stated that you had recd. information  
from me that the Juvenile Society of Baltimore had requested that you would select and  
take into the Missy School another Indian Boy, to be  
named John Summerfield, and that the Society  
had appropriated (or promised to give, One hundred  
dollars pr. annum for the maintenance and  
education of said Indian Boy" - If I used the  
term "One hundred dollars pr. Annnum" in my com-  
munication to you, it was from a misunderstand-  
ing of the communication to me on the subject.  
It is as follows - viz "The Managers of the Juve-  
nile Society have also passed a resolution, appropriating  
One hundred dollars (\$100) for the education and mainte-  
nance of the child to be so selected, and named John  
Summerfield, - for four years."  
Mr Brown now says "the sum appropriated is intended  
for the whole time of four years - being twenty five  
dollars pr annum, the sum for which, as the

Society has been informed, a child could be supported and educated for One year." - This information I am requested to give you to prevent any mistake and embarrassment on the subject.

On the 29<sup>th</sup> Sept we forwarded a box of clothing &c. from the Female Miss<sup>y</sup> Society of this City, directed to you & consigned to the care of Mr Brooks, watchmaker at Buffalo, which I hope you have received ere this -

On the 8<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> we rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from John L. Meredith P. M. at Cox's & Roads <sup>Cashington</sup> County, O. in which he informs us that he had been requested by a number of the members of the Methodist Church to obtain the agency of the M. Magazine in that section of the Country, and take in payment Articles of produce for the use of the Sandusky mission - This plan would no doubt be very accommodating to our friends who have but little money; provided you could take the Articles for the use of the Mission & become accountable to the Book Concern for the amt. - We referred him to you to make the arrangement. He proposes to take the Agency for every 6<sup>th</sup> Copy. The Board of Managers & the friends of missions

in this City rejoice at the prosperity of your work among the Wyandott brethren, and we heartily wish you good success among others also, in the name of the Lord -

Communications from you will always be acceptable to your affectionate brother in Christ

Thomas Mason