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My dear brother,

Newburgh July 5. 1820

Being informed by the Book agents that yourself and two of the Indian brethren with an interpreter, are expected in New York about the 20th of this month, and supposing that you will pass down the North River on your way thither; myself & the brethren here, are very desirous that you should call on us & hold a meeting. We have a good meeting house in this village and another about 3 miles out, at both which, if you could spend a Sabbath with us, and give us notice two or three days before hand, I would insure you a large congregation and something to help bear your expenses & in aid of the mission. - If you cannot spend a Sabbath with us, nor time enough on other days to hold a meeting in both places, yet you may call and hold a meeting at this place - as the Steam boats stop here every day and every night. - If you will do us the favour to call I think I shall go down to the City with you. Please write to me by mail and let me know whether you will come & when, how long you will tarry with us - Direct to me, care of Richard Handy, at this place. - I shall be very happy to receive you & your Company under my roof, and rejoice and praise God with you for the blessings of grace & Salvation communicated to us through the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Yours in Love

Thomas Mason

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