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## Letter from John Price Durbin to James B. Finley

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My Dear Brother.

Mission Rooms, N.Y. March 1852

While our Sister Churches have each from two to four missionary publications, adapted to their various wants, we have but one small monthly sheet; and with all our efforts to obtain a circulation for it, it is below 33,000 copies. In the West its circulation is very limited, and I address you this note to engage you to increase it in this most wealthy numerous and powerful portion of our Church. The price is lower than any similar publication, just enough to cover actual expenses, and not always this. It contains the current news from our own missions, and much general missionary intelligence; and all religious and moral statistics, and such as bear upon religious and moral questions. This is an important department of information, and no where else, we believe, is it furnished so fully and so accurately as in our Missionary Advocate.

As the year expires with the March Number, and the paper will not be sent forward after March, unless the Subscriptions are renewed, I hereby earnestly request your personal and earnest attention to have the Subscriptions renewed, and the list greatly extended. For this purpose allow me to suggest the calling together your Missionary Committee, the chief friends of missions and the S. S. Superintendents and Teachers, that you may lay this note before them & consult with them. Our great Missionary work cannot be accomplished, the Church cannot be kept informed, the Monthly Missionary Prayer Meetings cannot be instructed and enlivened without a general circulation of our Missionary Advocate. Will you aid in this great & holy cause to bring the West fully up to her duty?

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