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Kenia June 5th 1843

Dear Friends— through the providence of a good
God we are all alive and enjoy tolerable health—
We Recd yours of May 4th are glad to hear of your
Health and prosperity. I am truly rejoiced to hear
of your success. May God succeed you carry on
the good work till the wilderness shall blossom, and the
solitary place be made glad. My soul says success
to you in your Mission. I have long wished to visit
you, and partake with you in beholding the sons of the
wilderness bowing before Jehovah and shouting his praises.
My anxiety increases every time I hear from them—
and I now think the Lord willing I shall see Sandwich
this summer— (Eliza says she must come too) she is
much affected in being separated from you time
makes no difference. if you stay another year—
she says she must go too.

I am at a loss to know what to do for the best—
I don't want to locate and travel and live as we have
will not do— (I mean to hire) to sell of all that we have
gathered and sell or rent it to be to make a considerable
sacrifice. I have concluded to make it a matter
of present prayer believing God will direct for the
best, but I should be glad of your counsel and
advice after you have considered it thoroughly.

I feel more like being spent in the good cause
than ever I have done,

Religion is low in these parts in Lebanon strong
law and Circinnote two the spirit of Reform in the
Church runs very high there, even the Wampan
Ferd. Mr. Ruter says he thinks it is not

John C. Brooke

Kenia June 10th

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Rev. James A. Smith

My Sandwich

with special care as it contains papers
of importance

Chico

be prudent to alter as he fears the spirit of speculation is so high ~~the~~ their would be to proper bounds. to the Br Fowler is also cured. he is alarmed and think we had better not act as there is just ground to fear it may be for the worse

Amidst all I think all (with very few exceptions) of the preacher is firm. John T Finley has been over he left our house last Wed with his wife and two of the children for Augusta I expect & took Samuel with him.

Jane Finley and family are well Hannah is still with us

Samuel Finley has not paid the note whether he ~~is~~ or not is unknown to me

John Newburn has lost the place he bought off Giffie and is likely to lose most of what he paid for it. Giffie has turned all his property into money has taken that with the notes he held on you and Blair and gone

Thos Corwin has indemnified you or me if Giffie sees not to pay him till Newburn can get it secured also Blair

I Stanton has returned but brought no money. Mr Mthrow sent word by him that he had a chance to see that house and let I wrote an to him if he could get

four hundred dollar to sell it, I thought you would be satisfied to look that for it I have not time to write any more now write to us every 2 week give us a full account of your Mission as we want something to lay before the Publick. The No of scholars there agrees with your increase from time to time

Enclose one your paper I would have sent them before but had no opportunity was afraid to trust them by Mail Pray for us we remain your

Elisha said she wrote you so I need only say she with the children are well Synthia is gone to visit her mother with further strains you are well and

John C Brooke
R James B Finley