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Letter from James Montgomery to James B. Finley

James Montgomery

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Fort Seneca Feb 16th 1826

Dear

Brother I have heard of the evil that is
hatching at Washington city against John Johnston
his enemies are speculators and such as are opposed
to civilizing the Indians If John Johnston is broke
of his agency and an enemy take his place the
poor Indians will be scattered God knows where
and our labour of love lost amongst them
With your friends at Washington I want you to throw
all your weight and protest against the appoint-
ment of a new Agent On Thursday next I will have the
Senecas collected at the council House and have
them send an address to the president and secretary
of War protesting against the appointment of a
new Agent my Principal Interpreter is not at
home and Officer is sick I want you to get Cotter
the Mohawk Indian to come to my house wednesday
night next to act as an Interpreter it is a subject
that every Indian in the State is interested in
I have not been able to go to Portland nor send Brunson
promised to write from Portland and let me know
where the goods were he has not written

Intend forwarding the address of the chiefs
next mail I will send it enclosed to Johnston
my love to the mission family and all
the children may God bless you bless the
Indians and pity an infidel world

from your true friend

James Montgomery

James Montgomery
on the subject
of containing
of Johnson
the house
agency

Fort Seneca
Sept 16

Rev James B. Finley
Superintendent
D.