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Recd
To the care of James B. Finley Esq.
Justice of the Peace Lebanon Ohio. The post
Ridgwell.
Messrs at Lebanon will
please to forward this to Mr. G.

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Bath. March the 16. 1821
My dear Bro
This will inform you, that a few days since
I parted with my colleague, Bp. Mc Hindree at Raleigh
N.C. Carolina. The seat of the Virginia Conference; his
health is such that he cannot attend to business, except
it is to preach occasionally - my impressions are that
his health has finally failed - Since my arrival in
this City I have read a letter from you directed
to Bishop Mc Hindree in which you have made
statements relative to the establishment of a school
among the Indians, and wish to have his opinion
upon the subject, as my dear Bro is not here, and
is incapable of attending to the business if he was
present, I think it my duty to say so much on the
subject as to encourage you to persevere in this
laudable undertaking. Bro Soule and my self
(who is now in Baltimore) has just now made up
an opinion on this important ^{subject} which is as follows.
viz. That you would write on a clear statement
^{most us off} to the New York Conference which will set in
Pray. May the 30 - or if you could write so as to

meet me in the City of N. Y. by the first week in May.
it would be more agreeable. we think a clear statement
of the whole business, as to the prospect of a House, Teachers,
and the expenses of the whole establishment, and also
whether the Indian report to in Bro Bango's letter
would probably be of use. -- Would enable us to make
arrangements to help you with funds to carry on the
contemplated plan at least for a time untill you
might resort to other sources with success -- Please
let me hear from you on the subject as soon as
possible as my intention is to help you in this blessed
enterprise -- As to our prospects in the Atlantic States
we are scarcely up to Mediocrity, yet we have some
comfortable times and a gradual increase --

Sometime I am ready to say my labour is more
than I am able to bear, my intention is to make
arrangements to give up this important responsi-
- bility as soon as I can -- Through the blessings
of a good providence, my intention is to see
you at Lebanon Conference. And that we
may all meet in the humble spirit of our
Holy religion. Write as soon as possible
and pray for your Bro in Christ Enoch George