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## Letter from John P. Finley to James B. Finley

John P. Finley

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Dayton March 9th

my dear James { A little while back I rec'd an  
epistle from you the contents of which I can  
scarcely understand. I still intended as soon as God  
in his providence would justify my moving to your  
town to set off on the way. but your fainting  
so soon in mind has much impaired my  
resolutions. I cannot now tell what to do. You  
talk so strongly of going some where else yourself  
that should I move to where you now live I should  
have your society but a little time. I confess I have  
gotten into a kind of immature race and know not  
what to do. A company is now forming to appro-  
priate a sufficient stock of money to make a  
large purchase of land in the Illinois country and  
I have had some proposals made me to secure  
an interest in the company and also the promise  
of being cashier to the Bank. The bank to consist of  
a number of shares which when subscribed for will  
be under the direction of Directors. The object of the  
company will be to look out for the best sites of land  
containing 75 or 100 thousand Acres which will  
be laid out in a town and a suitable farm lots  
and sold to the highest bidder all the profits  
will be divided among the share holders ac-  
cording to their respective shares. No person to be a partner  
unless he sustains a moral character and is a  
person of an industrious habit. I have talked  
with Joseph Haugh on the subject and he is  
very keen I wish to know what you think  
about it. I think it will be a grand thing in our



The second Monday in April there will be  
a meeting in Xenia to concert the proper  
measures if I live I will attend and com-  
municate the results to you shortly afterwards  
we are at this time in health and above all things  
bound for the blessed barrow Our warmest love  
to you and Sister Hannah not forgetting Betsy  
My soul would rejoice to see <sup>you</sup> indeed Farewell I can  
scarcely close my letter I am unalterably yours &c  
Rev James B Finley J. P. Finley

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March 19th