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

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Piqua July 12<sup>th</sup> 1818

My dear James

I received your letter and it is now before me. I rejoice at any time to read one of your letters. We are in health except myself. I am still struggling under Rheumatic affections and amidst all bound for that place where Jesus dwells I am trying to do as well as can. I have much need of that money that George owes me. I wonder he does not pay it. Do tell him he must pay it. I have written to him about it. I still think he will comply. You must stir him up about it. There will be a treaty with the Indians held 28 miles from this place to commence 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. Our Agts are about to purchase 100 Miles square of land from them, if they do, our chance for good land will be very good. John Johnston says it is as good land as ever was and as good water as ever run down a stream. We ought to attend to it next spring. Stumblers are waiting the issue of the treaty. I fear from your letter that you are not much disposed to descend the Ohio. But I think you never can do better, property where you live will never be higher, and should you enter only one gr. section in a few years you would sell it for thirty fold. Corn and Wheat look well. This place is new, rude, and wicked, but healthy, high, and good water. We have I think a very good little clasp in town now detached from that and, at Johnston's. I have preached twice every sabbath almost since I came here. The people appear to be much affected. I hope good will be done. You may tell bro Dean that a piece of land that I expected him to get was entered last week by a man from Penna. But I think he had better keep his money for land in the new purchase. You may depend something will be sent him - You must remember me to all the brotherhood and sisterhood. Rakal sends to her friends in the other end of the house.

Sally thinks very hard that you never mentioned her  
name in your letter. She supposed that the reason is, because  
Hannah and Elizabeth differed with her Sunday times  
For my own part it made no impression on my mind  
then, of course none now. I refused a decision then  
of course none ought to be requested now. as it regards  
who were most antagonistic. My soul has ever breathed love  
and peace. It breathes the same and I hope will forever  
Sally joins me in sending our best love to you, Hannah  
& Octavay - to all enquirers. Those to whom I promised to  
to write are possibly disappointed. tell them they must take  
the will for the deed until the rheumatism leaves my right  
hand - tell bro Howell to say up a few dollars to get land  
in the new purchase - The gentleman by whom I send  
this letter is a citizen of this village. An excellent man  
I hope you will countenance him well at your house  
He wishes when he returns from Baltimore to come with you  
to this place if it will suit. Your little McRendree grows  
fast - preaches every morning, and never fails to thump the  
pulpit well, and hallow for his Uncle. I am and  
believe me ever to be your, tried and well known friend  
and bro in Jesus Christ  
Rev James B Finley

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