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John P. Finley

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Augusta Ky June 28th 1829

My dear James

I have recently had a pleasant visit to Ohio, and found all our friends in good health. I spent some time in the neighbourhood of Ridgeville, and endeavoured to do good and family all the good I could. brought Samuel home with me, and have him now at school. I think he had better be put to some trade in the fall. I brought about 70 of your reports into this quarter and distributed them as much as possible. Our missionary society here have left \$15. in the hands of bro Ruter Orr. for the use of your mission. We rejoiced to hear that the Lord is with you. In a letter I received lately from the Eastward I was informed that Bishop McKim was on his way to pay you a visit. you will no doubt have much pleasure in his company. Our college is doing as well as can be expected in its infant state. The Trustees are organized, and the building rapidly progressing. it will be finished against the setting of the year. Great fears are entertained that our Church will fail to raise any funds for the success of the institution. The Presbyterians have already predicted our failure, but I have the fullest confidence yet. I have never known such a man as James Armstrong for genuine zeal and persevering liberality. Notwithstanding the many flattering promises at first, of assistance from the people of this Town he has ably received one hundred dollars. but we never hear him complain. he says that he is determined to finish it if he has it all to do himself. which will cost him about 8.000. I have had a sore attack of the Rheumatism lately, and am only able to be about a little

The subject of reform - alias - defourn - is agitated some
in this state - I do not think the party will ^{be} so formidable as
some of the heads of department could wish and I most
devoutly pray, that not one sold of them may ever get seat
in the Gen. Conference - Our present plan is from heaven
no doubt - and should we change, our ruin is inevitable - Give
our love to Hannah and all concerned in the mission
Write me soon - and come and see us in the fall

Rev James B Finley

Yours indeed
John P Finley

A B I would most ardently suggest the propriety of having
a suitable person appointed next year, ^{to} make collections
for this College - Let it be their business throughout the year
and I would nominate D. Young - J. Young, or J. Collins
Don't forget this - I would rather D. Young than any of the
three

John P Finley

Agua July 20

Rev James B Finley
Upper Louisiana
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