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Cincinnati, Jan. 7, 1825.

Dear Brother, Yours has been received, & I have waited for the Minutes from New York in order to send you a copy by Mail with this letter. By some unaccountable omission, the Agents at New York have not yet sent me a copy of their Minutes, and I must delay printing ~~our~~ ours until I receive them. I have written for them, & when I receive them I shall send you a copy, as they will answer your purpose until I get ours printed; & you shall then have a copy of them. Having nearly money enough to take up my receipt (your order) at Lebanon, & one of the other drafts, I found I could do it if I delayed sending you your draft of \$50. for the term of three or four weeks; and supposing that delay would not materially effect you, I have done so. I shall forward your draft the last of this month - and the Minutes as soon as they come.

F. A. Hicks is here - we have revived the Missionary Society to support him - he boards with Br. Paper, & goes to school at our School house close by the Stone Meeting house. I think he will do well. As to opposition, no doubt there will be a plenty of it, but I presume it will decline, especially if the boys do well. Don't be too severe when they push at you, & I think you have nothing to dread from opposition. True you will need patience, but I hope you will have it in abundance, and that the God of grace may yet make this a memorable year, both at Sandusky and in other places. Do not be cast down under affliction - though we are on earth, God is in Heaven, & reigns

in every clime. — Our increase last year lacked a few
of 20,000! — If you can do it, visit us before
next Conference. My respects to Sister Finley —

truly yours, M. Porter.

Rev. J. B. Finley.

