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Rev. J. B. Furley
Ridgeway
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Solitary of
Mr. Hoff

Rev. J. B. Furley

1025

Civ. June 28th 1833.

My dear Mr.

Your favor of 18th has been recd. We
are all truly sorry to hear of your illness &
because we are disappointed in having you
at I. M. and 2nd on your own account.
To one of your active habits of life it is no
small pecuniary to be laid up for months
together: but I hope that God, who does
not willingly afflict no grieve the chil-
dren of men, will some how raise
a tax from all your suffering which will
turn to your favor in the end. Hold on to
your confidence a little longer, and
when the Chief Shepherd shall appear
you shall receive the crown of life.

I am somewhat indisposed to-day
otherwise we are in fine health. Tho' there
is considerable affliction in the city one
way and an other - And several of

our precious friends in Jesus have died since
you left us - These I trust are safely landed.
We have general peace and blessed good class
meetings, but no unusual excitement now
in the City.

Mr. Army as you have seen is regretted - but
no thanks to hardened sinners, carnal professors,
persecuting Editors, or the Devil. However,
the importance which our Enemies attach to the
idea of his being converted. Speaks volumes
in favor of Methodism. Our unparalleled
prosperity provokes the enemies of the Saints
sets the Lion of Hell and all of his whelps
to howling, and our persecutions show
that Methodism is not a scheme of worldly
policy. They that live Godly in Christ Jesus
shall suffer persecution. My family & I
join in best Christian love to thee & all thine.
Pray for us. Yours Sincerely
Rev. J. B. Finley. Thos. A. Morris