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Letter from Laurin Dewey to James B. Finley

Laurin Dewey

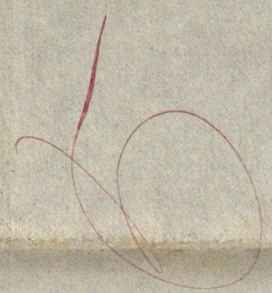
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 Rev. J. B. Finley
 Moral Instructor
 Ohio Penitentiary
 Columbus, Ohio

I have

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Akron, April 13, 1846.

My Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 11th came to hand this evening.

I am entirely unacquainted with that part of the prison, designed for the use of the Warden, but be assured, so far as I am concerned, it will give me great pleasure to comply with your wishes, if at all consistent with the convenience of my own family, which, though small now, will necessarily be large when I remove. I am unable to say at this time when I shall visit Columbus; probably not, however, till I go down to remain. I have written to the Directors, and expect an answer soon. If they desire to see me before my appointment takes effect, I shall visit Columbus at any time they may designate. In the mean time you had better confer with the Directors. If they be of the opinion that there is room enough, and if they desire you to reside in the prison, you had better make your arrangements accordingly.

If possible you should be accom-
modated; and to this end, I shall be
^{ever ready} to make any reasonable sacrifice.
Your name has been familiar to me
from my boyhood, and I anticipate
much pleasure of enjoying an in-
timate acquaintance with you.

Truly Yours,

LAMAR SCOLEY.

Rev. J. B. Finley.

I hope I shall frequently hear
from you.