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## Letter from Newton E. Wright to James B. Finley

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Columbus Ky  
Sept 21<sup>st</sup>

J. B. Finley

Columbus

Ohio

St & Wright  
Hickman & Co  
Ky 1846

1051

Nickman Ky Sept 18/46

Dear Sir

Your Letter upon the subject of the Gold watch stolen by Piles. has come to hand. Mr Lester from whom the watch was stolen has moved to Texas

You say that Piles wishes Lester to consent not to prosecute him and the watch will be sent on to the order of Jno Miller the post Master at Paducah. who has been authorized by me to request that the watch may be sent on to him. upon the subject of the prosecution of Piles I can make no further promise than that if he keeps a way from this County he will be in no danger if the watch is recovered. but if it is not recovered he will be demanded of the Governor before his time expires in the Penitentiary of Ohio. Mr Lester is a brother in law of mine and any thing I do will be valid and he will abide by. the watch was a Gold Liver with a fine Gold chain & seal the chain was in oblong links attached to gether with rings or thimbles of any strong material. a large seal. the set I do not recollect the color of the chain and seal was taken out of a drawer the watch was hanging up with a gird of some kind to it. Piles was at work for Lester and on Sunday when Lester & wife was gone to Church he raised the window and went in and got the watch. a pair of new saddlebags of mine some clothing that belonged to a man named Jno Wilson who was at work for Lester and took a canoe and put out down the river about an hour & 1/2 before Lester got home. he got the canoe that evening the saddlebags was found some months afterwards perfectly rotten



Send the watch on as soon as possible as  
I will have an opportunity about November  
of sending it on to Lister in Texas.

With much respect

I am Sir your

obt servt

Newton C. Bryant

P S I hope Piers may become converted  
and be a better Man, he is a splendid hand to  
work as I ever saw, and could have done  
well here if he had have conducted  
himself properly J. C. W.

EW