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## Letter from E.W. Field to James B. Finley

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Answered 11 Feb. 1848

Rev. J. B. Finley  
Columbus

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Dear Mr. Finley

Thro' Divine goodness we are all well. Since I saw you we have been favored with some refreshings from the presence of the Lord.

Some 40, — mostly children, however, — have been received on trial, and about the same number converted. — The good Lord keep them faithful, & add to them such as shall be saved. — Amen.

I wish to be informed, — first, of the result of your conference with Col. Dewey, respecting the probability of my brother-in-law being employed as a guard in the Penitentiary — and, secondly, on what 2 sabbaths you wish Mr. Boring & myself, to serve your charge — in order that we may make our arrangements to the best advantage —

Forasmuch as, in accordance with our usages, Mr. Swornstedt will vacate his place in the Bostk Agency, I would respectfully suggest to our delegation to nominate, and do whatever is right & proper to be done, to secure the election of Rev. Uriah Heath to that office.

I need not say to you, Mr. Finley, that Mr. Heath is every way qualified to perform the duties of that station efficiently nor need you be reminded that he has been employed for a number of years in a self-sacrificing service to promote the cherished interests of the Conference & the Church. I understand that Mr. Simble is a candidate. If so —

and should he be the choice of Gen. Cox. he, I doubt not, would manage the concern well - But there are other prominent places which he might fill advantageously - as the presidency of some of our Literary Institutions - to which Mr. Heath would never aspire - and I think - and I am not alone in thinking - that, all things considered, if the Ohio Conference furnish the man - Mr. Heath is the man to be supported for the office -

N.B. In justice to Mr. Heath I ought to say, that I have not exchanged a word with him upon the subject - nor has any one else to my knowledge.

May the good Lord direct us all in the good and right way -

Yours in much love  
E. W. Field.

Rev. J. B. Finley -