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Letter from Adam Miller to James B. Finley

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Rev. J. B. Finley
Columbus Ohio

~~Handwritten scribbles~~

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Handwritten notes: "I have received your letter of the 26th 1847"



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New York Jan. 29th 1847

Dear Bro. Finley:-

I received your truly welcome letter a few days ago, and we were very glad to hear from you, I should have replied immediately but have been exceedingly busy day and night for some time past, for when I am not preaching for the Germans here they keep me all the leisure time I can get to preach in English in the different churches, I have preached more or less in most of the principal churches in the city, and feel myself just as much at home preaching here as I would in the most retired place in the western country, Methodism is the same here that it is in the west. We have a good work among the Germans here now some convention every week for some time past. There is a very fine state of things in a number of the churches here now, there have been a great many conversions this winter. You are favourably known, and affectionately remembered by many of the old preachers here. And although as you say you are now confined within the narrow walls of the State prison, administering instruction to its unfortunate inmates, yet the influence of your past labours are felt abroad, far and wide, your tracts on Temperance, which you wrote for the G. A. Apologist some years ago, and which I had stereotyped and published in tract

form in Baltimore last year, has been circulated extensively among the grogshops in Baltimore and also in this place I have but few on hand now but I have the plates, and think I will get ^{some more} struck off soon, I do not know how they could be sent to you. I would sell the plates for \$2. They cost me I think \$6 They make 4 pages I could send the plates to Cincinnati by Adams and Co. Express or to Columbus for about \$1.50 or \$2. I offer them thus cheap because I think the tract should be circulated through the west among the distilleries. If I get some more printed here I will endeavor to send some to Cincinnati. But they have already cost me considerable and I never realized a cent from ^{them} had them published for gratuitous distribution because I thought they ought to be circulated.

The cause of temperance is prospering here, I send you a paper containing an advertisement which I wish you to read and then send the paper to my old friend J. McDowell, I do not know his address for I would send him one. He has never written to me since I left Ohio. I am always glad to hear from the preachers of the Ohio Conference and would be exceedingly glad to visit your conference ~~next~~ fall if I could possibly get off but I do not see how I can leave here that length of time. We are all well and well pleased with New York

Our Love to you and yours, (to Bro. Moody and any other of the preachers you may see that would like to hear from me)
Yours affectionately
Asa Miller

P.S. I am anxious to make a communication to brother McDowell and as I do not know his address I enclose a few lines to him in this letter and you will greatly oblige me to send it to him, as I presume you know his address you will please direct the letter so it will reach him
Yours &c

A Miller