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James Tawler

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Dear Brother above you have ^{a list} the five articles
we have made out to gather since my
return home. I feel much mortified that so much
effort has produced so little. I thank the Lord
your favor of 19th Inst. and last Saturday breathes
a firm & lion like Spirit. I hope the Lord will be
merciful to us - be assured I have trembled for the
mission. I must with the avenging Devil at
every point. I when he is pierced he flourishes &
spouts like a whale with a harpoon in him.

Brother McQuire preceded for us yesterday in
Xenia in the place of Brother Brooke who is rising
slowly from a severe spell of the fever, he hopes
to be able to preach in a few weeks - Brother
McQuire told the society of a few Methodist
who had united & commenced fasting & praying
to God to cast out the Devil of America. He
had succeeded pretty well & advised the
Methodist of Xenia to adopt the same practice
I thought it a pretty good one indeed -

Your letter warmed up my soul & sanctified
I praise you in saying from the heart glory
to God for all his mercies to the sinful sons
& daughters of Adam. - I read also your
letter from Bro. Rogers - I was wickedly treated
by that young man Bacon whom I hired to
go out & gather the open - as well as others.
It was a shameful thing that old Bro. Conroy did
not send them out, & neglected to feed them as
they ought to be fed. I will try to be out
in May or June, if I should not go to Oregon
this spring. Bro. Sel is hardly ever well enough
to be out or he would help our cause. Bro.
Hauken can only work in Dayton & I receive
no help worth mention that I know of from
the other two. I am informed there is a reported
with Brother Blair in Leveille. O Shelling Rock
and 2 yards fence for the mission

I rec'd word from Bro. Peavie by Thomas
my son, that nothing was gathered there, nor
could be he believed of much consequence.
Brother Faglesong, promised to pack up a
small crate of rocks &c. but by some
unaccountable bad management in the
waggoner whom we expected to bring up that
which might be gathered in this place has totally
neglected it. I sorrowfully told me he had sold
out entirely so I am disappointed in getting
them. We have not one to spare or we
would send you a few - I will hear them
from Lebanon send them out as soon as possible.

I had got up your name applicable to
request I had will now take him out, should
just put with him in Town this morning.

I intend still to strive to do what I can.
I have heard not one word by letter from
any part of the Ohio Conference - Brother Quinn
send me word from Chillicothe, he was so
proud himself he had no heart to mention
the thing to people - I give you the
black side & black man say you
but we will bring on I as you have
prepared to die by my side & put weapons
to die by yours. I trust God's assistance
we will leave our bones in the field
to bleach until the morning of the Resur-
rection. Then we shall break the little
we may have done for the Kingdom of our
God. I wish James to return back
immediately. I hunted for another person
until I was worn out. I concluded there was
no other chance then. If you will let me

know when these dear sisters wish to come
in I will do my best to afford them the pleasure
of seeing their friends. Fight on my dear
sacred fight on, for a good war gain our
bats will be our presently, I will stand
around the throne, May our God save us
for Christ sake Amen. Dear love to you
all I am my dear brethren & sisters your
affectionate brother in Christ James. Acker

I have not time to correct this
The dried apples are for br. Lewis expect
early, I hope this which is submitted to the mission

As you are not absent your house it
be able to receive in family each day, I suppose
be ready him - I am writing to the mission for a
wagon, I will send him back to the mission
I hope a chair at my house

Rev. James B. Finckley
Casper Sandusky

1 building both 40' x 20' - The top of
glass was to be from Saturday last but
the wagon is not come & it is and
it is as far as possible - the architect &
then for the land & help you are the
most safe

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2 of the Belm Ships for better seeds I
had but the one time now. I send out a
pretty plenty of seeds, which you will find in
the long box - other ships for the mission, with
the new tree sent out - I send sister James one
hundred stocking yarn for 5 Cents - At one
near by James. Whether you have need or not
there is encouragement from my other greater
one spirits are at low ebb at this time - but
one not dead yet -

Articles gathered for the Sandusky Mission
and forwarded to send the Mission family
April 1. 1822.

- Recd from Cincinnati.
- 1 Bible worn.
- 1 companion for the altar
- 1 the reformed pastor
- 3 small primers
- 2 for American primers
- 1/2" Shilling
- 6 black lock
- 4 pad do
- 4 for large B. Hayes & Lucas
- 5 for smaller do do
- 2 paper series
- 2 for ink powder
- 1 for from Tea spoons
- 1/2" p. Scissors
- 4 door handles
- 2 bed cords
- 2 sickles, 1 coffee pot
- 1 bridge - 35 tin cups
- 1 hoe - 1 meat fork
- 2 Kegs nails different
sizes - each 100 - 54.
- 15 1/2 4^d nails each 54
- 10 10 50 - 5 1/2 8^d do
- Small pieces bacon - don't know from where

Dayton
1 Buli plough
4 yds Calico
4 " Cotton Shirting

James Foster
Tawler
AB 1209

- Remia Pitts Neighborhood
- 1 Collar
- 1 Blanket - 1 by wheel
- 1 1/2 lb Bacon - 13^d dried beef
- 2 bed cords - 8^d hard soap
- 6 3/4^d tallow - 34^d sugar
- 1-12 Gal. Kettle cost \$11.80
- 1 hoe. 1/2 bush of dried apples
- 1 Tub. cost \$1.50 - 2 wash boards
- 6 1/4^d Bacon - 17^d do