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Feb 12th

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Rev James B. Finley

Pedgville, Warren County
Ohio State.

My dear Brother, Upper Sandusky, Feb 13, 1827
We had D.M. here Sat & Sunday last, but was
much disappointed in not meeting you at it.
But the high waters, with the uncertainty of your
health's being good I think is a sufficient excuse
for your absence. We had a large congregation,
and I believe a profitable meeting; several who had
fallen off returned, with some others & joined the Church.
I believe the meeting continued all the Sunday
night. Some professed to be converted. We held
D.M. Conference yesterday, Report says the Societies
except, a few individuals are prospering. I feel
much attached to the Indians & the more so as
my acquaintance increases, and through grace I
had quite as much to say in preaching to them
as I had anticipated. It is believed that the
School is quite too large (at this time) to support.
I have no doubt that could there be an accom-
-lished female obtained, who would teach the
girls, but it ^{would} be a great advantage, to the
establishment. Perhaps you have ^{heard} Sister Mangle
King has left the mission with bitter complaints
in her mouth, of which she is very lavish in com-
-ation. She has taken her boarding at Bro. Wm. Walker's
Shall her words be generally believed

= it might do much injury to ^{the} missionary cause in this place. About this matter however I would much rather talk to you than write. I think my dear Brother (at this time) you are much needed here, not only in relation to the school but many of the Indian families want visiting &c. No doubt there are many other things about which your council & presence might be of great service to the mission. I give you these hints not to direct, because you know better than I what to do. But as you are not here I thought it a duty to give this information.

My own situation is much afflicted since the death of my very dear wife, my dear Babes have since been taken care of by a hired man & woman in my own house, this is almost an intolerable expense, besides the woful circumstance of leaving the care of young children, to hired people. But I have long since delegated them to Almighty God, in whom I trust & to who's providence I wish cheerfully to submit.

The prospect is brightening on some parts of the District I am praying & looking for a more general display of divine power in the salvation of souls. I most sincerely desire in an interest in your prayers, that I may faithfully discharge my duties at home & on the District for you know they are many & great.

Brother E & family are lovingly well
As also the Mission family. My own health is not very good but thank God it is no more
Give my Christian love to Sister Emily &
Remain yours affectionately
James A. Brinkley