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My wife's health is delicate She expects to be confined
 in about 6 weeks & May you strengthen & comfort
 her - this is a poor place for such a situation - with
 all in good spirits & the family enjoys health
 & apparent contentment yours in heart & love
 J.B.F. James Gilchrist

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 May 21
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Mission House Sat May 21. 11. P.M.

My Dear Dear Brother I had thought of
 writing you more, in hope of seeing the
 face to face but of this I now despair -
 soon to enjoy I have had a thousand things
 to tell and ask after - C. L. Cass seldom
 comes nigh his conduct in some things has
 not been the most pleasing to me one par-
 ticular is, it was his doing that the grinders
 told the Mission grain this grinder was
 shortly removed, believe him self through the
 influence of Mannumee He also made
 him self busy about some of the Mission
 fences: for this acted in short order with him
 then give the chiefs to understand that
 if they had any thing to say not to send Cass to
 me but come them selves - I am striving
 to do for the best I don't look for honour of men
 & feel daily to more & more disorgan either
 what is said of me or your against me
 I believe Walker & Cass have written on for
 more goods & if I am not mistaken W. Walker
 has signed your name to the order for goods &
 that after having a knowledge of your resigning

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Director ship of the storm - of this I do not speak positively but I am pretty certain it is so they never could let me nor inform me of any of their matters - as to your being persecuted for changing the halling of the good; your letter gives me the first hint of it - I suspect the persecution is confined to the neighbour hood of the Garrison however I can't tell now but I will find out the extent

Governor Cass has sent you 10 ~~thousand~~ ploughs for the Wyandots & the land is about to be surveyed, is not this the way the Mission Money is gone?

your order on ^{last} draft on government was protested on at least \$100 of it. I had taken up \$190 of the funds before the protest was sent back -

I have this day received a letter from Bangs stating that a gentleman called on him with a note of hand given by Wm Walker payable by Randolph & Dissaway - which they ~~refused~~ refused to pay he having left no funds for that purpose - - I wished one communicate this to Mr. Walker I will do shortly

Mr Walker is appointed Director of the storm - we have planted all the two lower fields & will be ready to plant the upper one by the first of next week if the weather will suit - we have about half the logs sold

on the new ground we hope to get it in in good season -

This day our 2^d year M Commenced which promises no great things

Bro McMahan expresses much disappointment at not seeing you here -

My dear Bro your afflicted situation rings my very soul to think that after you have devoted the prime of life to the good of your fellow creatures you should now find your self ^{then} "friendless" I hope dear J - this is a darker picture, a close view will discover - you will never feel right till you get out - a circuit is the race ground of Methodist preachers on which he feels to breathe freely -

as to Radicalism & I feel it is the Devils ~~own~~ Hobby to blow up Contention & Confusion & how much need of courage & skill -

we must have an eye to our next general Conference, if it were not for fear of exciting suspicion of electioneering for self I would write to several of the preachers. - Dear Bro fear not

God is, & has, & will be with us. - glory to his good name. we have a few trials but heaven will make it up & what then will we care for the slanders of tongues - your name will live when your slanderers will be forgotten & live ~~also~~ in the affections of the good.