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## Letter from J. Waterman to James B. Finley

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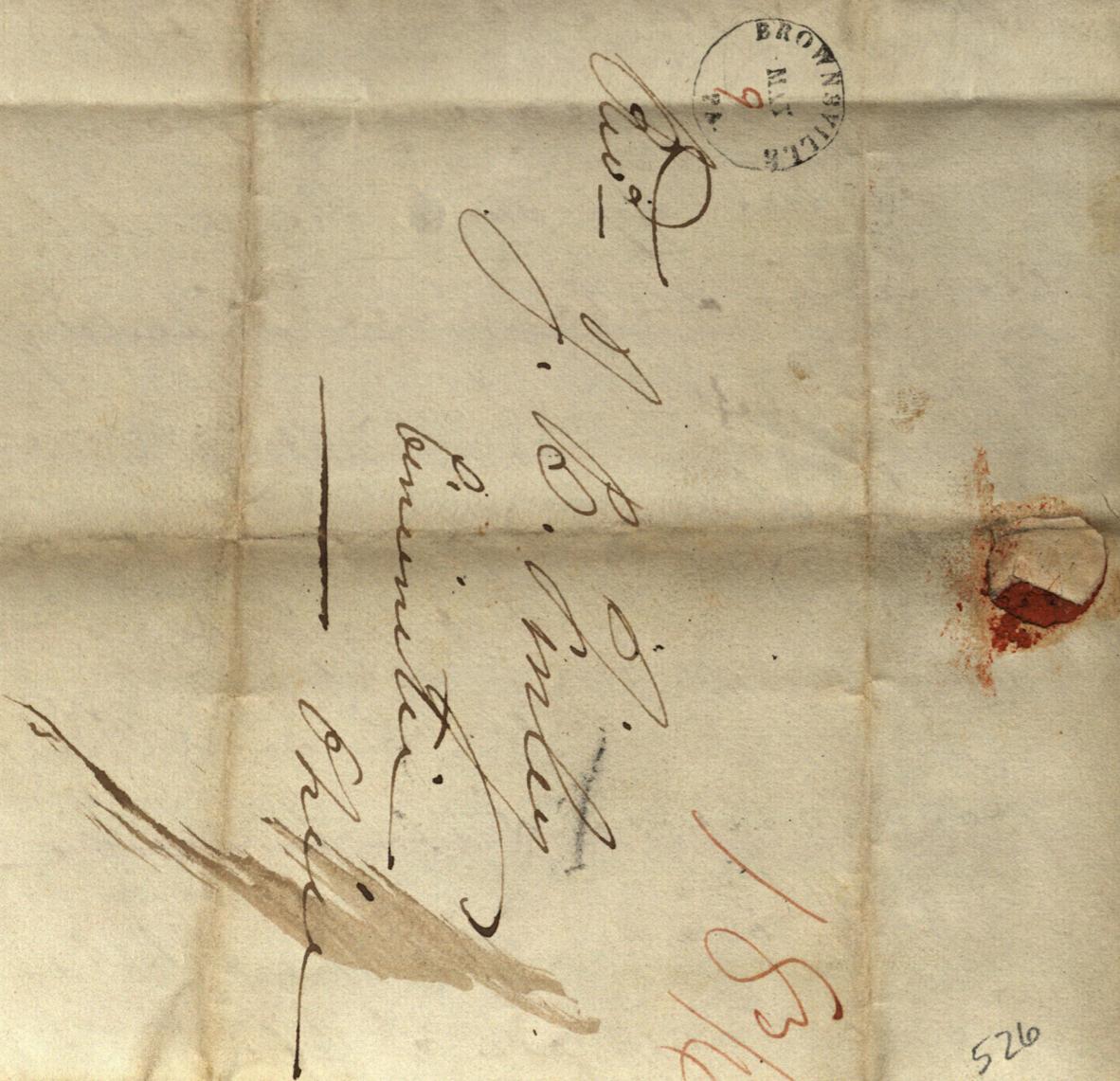
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If I live I will write again -  
Mary sends her Ole Love to you  
and Henck - May the Lord of you  
my brother - - - or every Wabash  
tell Eliza that when I need to Mary the Mam-  
ber of Sheldin she has - may deleed her over  
the hondraut - - -

Miss J. W. Morrison



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Brownsville 9th May  
Dear Janie and Henck We have just  
rec'd your kind letter and truly rejoice to  
hear from you all. We are in this state  
of tears - - the allusion in your letter to  
Ole time - another tender remembrance  
which are pleasing - the passing  
time and death her Maile greet her  
you in the bark of your Ole friend since  
you lived in Ole Brown's house and  
Ole aunt Nance was the superintendan  
tress of Pioneer friendship - the Ole Lucy  
still lives - - and is napping in heaven  
M'Gee & family have suffered in the  
famine by scarcity - - Burkett is dead  
there is a Ripple - and Piney Green  
will never do any good - Maria  
is married well and so is Lucia - but  
I fear they will none of them  
be in wedlock by their Majesties  
Inverted them last fall and found  
the Ole Woman as wicked as ever  
Death her also Maile greet  
now aye among all Ole friends  
in Theklawelle

— Ole when you comming up from off  
most of you by the brown water down the Ohio  
you will see a large new way house up the hill  
oppo with most very rough of grass up

I have just rec'd an other from my  
Brother in Wheeling giving me an  
account of the Death of the Mother Haw-  
kins - who has just gone home.  
She died happy -徒ith of her old  
friends and sent her dying love  
to me - - " surely we may say the  
fathers of this world pass away"

Well bless God there is a better world  
-- where the inhabitants will never  
die -- thx we shall meet when the  
tail of life is over - and shant  
-ing each other shall greet

and triumph over pain and  
death -- I what is life without  
the love of God -- I sing lately  
here the Heaven paper you in  
Cincinnati -- Will de remember  
the day when I used to tremble  
and see stars in the pulpit of the  
old stone meeting house --

My family are well & perfect but  
my health is poor - I seem to have  
the rule of procedure

that I should go the oftener to the King  
dom - God will be done, the know-  
-er best what is good for us - - I shall  
- be glad to leave and bring up  
My children and preach the gospel  
if it meets the will of God - -

Let I know that he depart and be with  
Christ is far better - Of course I love  
God and his cause I do now - -

as we approach the nearer for  
eternal state we should give more  
like God - - I am often conftected  
with the pastor I have a better  
World - - where in God's light I shall  
receive the Moral and Physical  
blessings of the universe - -

Who can tell what is implied  
in a course of life - I shall you  
Might spend a fine week probably this  
fall in attending our conference with  
Bishop Saul and visiting your old  
friends - - Saul you continue  
in Cincinnati another year