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Hagerstown Pa
May 25

Rev. James P. Hiley
Columbiana Ohio

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Hagerstown
1847

Hagerstown May 6th 1847

Dear Grandfather

By this (should it reach you) you will be advised of our good Health, and I sincerely wish your's will be fast improving by the time this may reach you yours of March last was truly the first Epistle of any kind I have received from you since last July. Which I answered on reception. In December I wrote you again but did not receive any communication from you till March last when I started immediately home on receiving yours and learning your afflictions to visit you but you like the Migratory Bird had only halted but to refresh nature & plume your wings and resume your labour. Your favour was kindly received and although I have not answered it yet this I hope will be ample atonement for my negligence; when I inform you I am getting fast out of the way of writing it has become a very serious task for me to pen a letter I have become so perfectly nervous from my constant hard exercise My hand has become quite as bad as one of y^r

I am making every exertion to become ^{an} able and independent man and I expect if spared with life & health to have that I may be able to get along more easily than I have been yet with all my labour and anxiety of mind I have not lost sight of the preparation for after life: I expect to live in another & better life than the one I at present enjoy where my friends many of them have gone and many on the way when you may have all congregated and are forming our vast family planting the Colony anew on those flowery plains of Bliss. If I be not with you then be assured I am on the way with God's promises as my Guide Board Faith to believe than my Armour. His Mercy My Song & his abiding Spirit

my consoling hope in every encounter. I shall expect to
meet with you at home this summer. I will be at home in
August. I expect to move to Castine this coming winter
I am going to commence the potting business if nothing prevents
me & winter at this place. Make all the improvement
I can on my land. The Day & Nathaniel were with me when I last
saw them. Mr. Nelson's Sister will & wish to be remembered to you
The young children send our love to you & hope ever to bear
a place in your remembrance.

Accept our warmest wishes for your good health
and happiness & favour us with an answer to this at any
leisure hour convenient (soon) As we yet remain your

B. J. Finley

Undutiful Children
Amos M. M. C.
M. J. Brooks