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Letter from Sarah Clopper to James B. Finley

Sarah Clopper

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Nashville february 11th 1831

Dear Brother

I received your letter this day and it gave me great pleasure and satisfaction to hear with what sweet peace my dearest Ellen died and thank the Lord that I have five out of seven children that have gone to Heaven and my dear Mother too I hope has gone with them in glory my Mother had been an old Methodist for fifty years before her death you might see her name in Brother Asburys journal her name was Noble - I am glad to hear of Sims prospering I hope the time is not far distant that all shall know the Lord - I have been for the Lord ever since I was ten years of age but I am ashamed of my ~~shortcomings~~ towards the Lord pray for me Brother that I may hold out to the end - You mention in your letter that my daughter Ellen is in a vault but will be buried I wish her to remain as I expect to visit your City this spring I feel as if I must see my dear Child - I wish to know if Mr Lely is in your City he is most distracted poor young man I pity him I wish he had religion I wish you would ascertain whether she cannot remain in the vault and not be buried, at any rate remain untill I come on as I wish to see her I wish you to see to this dear Brother for me and my God helps us to be faithful untill death is the fervent prayer of your Sister Sarah Closser

P.S. What could I get boarding for in a private family for I would wish to have a room to myself but to be as one of the family - you will please let me know as I ~~am~~ expect to remain sometime perhaps Mr & Mrs Gray will meet me there you must ^{excuse} me for thus troubling you though I am not personally acquainted with you but know you by connection so you will please excuse the liberty I have taken advise yours &c

