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Letter from John P. Finley Jr. to James B. Finley

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I am very sorry to hear that Aunt is unwell
 but hope that the Country Air will restore
 her Health to the early blessing which we can't
 have while on Earth. as I have no more
 Rome I will have to conclude I am your
 affectionate Neptun
 J. B. Finley }
 Cincinnati

John Finley Jr

Rev James J. Finley

Cincinnati

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Dr. Finley's
 Mr. Finley's

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 Dayton April 24th 1831

Dr. Finley

I would have wrote sooner but
 I heard you were in Dayton and was in hopes
 you would come up and via not know to the
 contrary until Mr. Cheever came up he informed
 me that you had returned to Cincinnati and I
 concluded to wait till he went down before I wrote
 Mr. Phillips has broke his word which he had plea-
 -ged to me the circumstances are too long to write
 they have turned me off after he had promised
 to keep me till I was of age and then to use his
 own word as he would do well by me he has
 done just as you said he would
 I have staid one month with James Cheever
 in his Father's Store at 88 p. month But would
 not stay any longer on such terms
 there is no situation in this place for me or
 in Troy knowing you were well acquainted in
 your City I concluded to write to you to see
 if you could procure me a situation in your
 or a place in Cincinnati I would wish to get
 in a store that is doing a good business

of a Good Character but I need not
tell you of this as I know you would be as
Cautious as any Person I Examine those
points I would not like to go into a ~~Store~~
Wholesale Store where they were in they are
in the habit of selling Whiskey or Spirits of any
kind by the small as they in many such
shops in the place I would not like to stay
for less than 10 or 12 \$ a Month they borrow
the But as you will know what is best
You will act upon your own Judgment in
this matter as you have 26 times as much
Experience in wool as I have

I have served four years for nothing
But would not do it over again for a
Ducat My Support has been in hopes
of being able to put my Mother in a
situation where she would ^{not} have to work her
Eyes out to school and support the family
knowing my Motives were pure I thought
I would have unbounded success in all
my undertakings But have been sadly disappointed

Some of my Friends wished me to write to
Phillips but I will try every other means in my
Power Before I reply to him I may be
wrong but I think not I think it arose not
from a revengeful Spirit he has
Injured me and broke his word to me
Therefore I wish to have nothing more to do
with him

James was in and I saw one for days
with us he has been very well all winter
he is as fat as Dr Gatta your Colleague was
when he was in Gay at a Quarterly Meeting 2 or
3 Years ago he weighs 195 lbs tolerable sense
Will attend Commenca Monday with Mr
Thompson to say at the Bar for the time
Mother has had an offer of her place
she gave 300 \$ and has been offered 400 \$
Our Friend Alice I see sees Mr Gordon
advise her to see it she wants your op-
pinion of the matter as you are better
acquainted with the matter than she is you
will please write soon as possible over