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Letter from Francis Hall to James B. Finley

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Rev. James D. Finley
My dear Brother,

Just as I was departing from New York for the West, I was favored with your letter from Philadelphia. I assure you it afforded me great satisfaction that you found yourself comfortably situated, and that yourself, and our Indian friends were well. I pray that the God of Missions will have you all in his holy protection on your way to your dear family, and that he may richly abide with them in your absence, and dwell with you all when you shall reach the field of your useful labors.

Since you left us, several articles suited for our Indian friends have been sent to my house, and I hope to have the pleasure of shortly forwarding to Sandusky those articles which are, and may be sent for the Mission.

I was won of the opinion that a visit from our Indian豫andofy friends would be of great benefit to our Missionary cause. The result of your visit to New York has more than realized my expectations. Our people are now all alive to the great cause in which we are engaged, and I believe that the result of this year's ^{labor} will prove the body, at least in a pecuniary point, than any former one: and while we may gather into our treasury of the things of this life, may our heavenly Master, bringing into his fold many children of the Forest who are now strangers to him, and may that time soon arrive, "when all shall know the Lord".

Remember the affectionately to Botany the Lays and Mononcua, and our friend Brown, and let me entreat you my dear Brother to write often, and I will afford the great pleasure to communicate any intelligence to our Board at our Monthly Meetings. Brother Bascom

preached several times after you left to crowded congregations. I hope good will result from his labors.

I remain

My dear Mother
Yours affectionately
Maria Hall