



### **Transcription**

Letter from John Finley Crowe to Esther Alexander Crowe, April 23, 1832

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Lexington April 23<sup>rd</sup> - 1832 To dear Esther Your letter was rec- on Saturday for which accept my thanks. You dont know how much it cheered ray spirits to get a circumstantial account from home, " Sweet home, I 11 I am still doing something for Hanover, On this day (Monday) I got to this city. On the next day I collected \$50.00 but finding that Br Wild had not delivered his lecture on the system I concluded to turn to the country until after his lecture, I consequently spent the balance of the week visiting Pisgah & Bethel congregations. In them I collected about \$90.00 In all upwards of \$300.00. Yesterday I preached in the;is<sup>a</sup> church and hope a good impression was made with a reference to our institution, Mr Wild is here lecturing on temperance & will not speak on manual labour until Wednesday evening. I have therefore determined to go to Paris & after doing that I can in that region return here & finish my business. On Sabath (sic) next I expect to be in Frankfort on ray return homo. O

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Monday I hope to get to Shelbyville, and I shall probably be detained there on Tuesday, You may therefore expect me, with the permission of Providence on Thursday, I make my home at Dr Blythe's & ara treated like a son. The Dr has determoned to wash his hands of slavery by freeing Iris negroes & moving to a free state. And it is among the possibilities that he may yet be a citizen of Ia. Give ray love to all the family & a kiss to Caroline and Watty for Father. My prayer is that you may all be preserved from evil & that we may be permitted to meet again in peace. Yours affectionately John Finley Crow