Dear Isaac,

I look forward now with anxious expectation for your return. Things are putting the mantle of green on the foreland. The boys say that your wheat is beautiful, and the early bloom and the weather are making our lands look well and Bay is a lott I have not been to se it. They say it is active. Jeth/shop says it looks 6 like the 6ich it is small it is some days old. People are beginning to plant corn we have never had an earlier spring these many years, and if the post is should not kill the fruit we shall have a fruit full year. I am haunted with Men that wish to hire out to work on the land every one wishing for your return yet I think there has no one begun on the land. I suppose this is going to be a hard spring things are scarce Money and grain all kinds of Indian however the Lord will provide for those who trust in him with faith, it is a day of wonders. Infidelity is showing its head in this Regain and it is said that our Brother P[e]ck has shot himself last Sabbath. A paper has been hand to Tosh which Setting Priest craft unmarked. Bauch the band Forbes has had some handed them and I believe myself they are a dangerous keeps. I am lean but our People was at church. The girls say that he Mr. P. could not be taken so ready a plan many to induce them to take and spread the paper as he did he says there was two arrows right in the venom of Hell lodged in this as he writing to the office I have given your sons
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my mish, that Head was water and mine eyes a fountainer,
I am but little at tauted about being an Injutie myself
but my children gives me tauted the fear of their being
We to taut a lie, and Masonery is showing this taudious head
I am told in one Church I know not the particulars and then
you can not give them it has been Introduced by Mr. Armstrong
his Brother Lewis has come out a flattering Anti and of
course he must do something, I can Pray that is my depan
and God grant that I may be able to use it to his glory,
Father is well and he wish'd me to say to you that he
would be glad if you could get him a Blat the expected
to get him one last Fall but was disappointed and then
now now large enough I want nothing but to see you
I am willing to go ragged and hungry to see you again
this and well I have already begun to count Days,
I received your journal and since have received a letter
with the description of the funeral of Gen Symth it was
offering me the thoughts, that had it been my to to
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Mr Slater is again better, and was yesterday to visit
Clancy's Minor, he is just gone Mrs. Newel and Mr
Peck was here yesterday PM came from Clancys and
Saw Mr. hats there they say he looks better and rides about I must beg pardon for I have not visited him since the bridge went off my health is poor and I have no resolution to get out from home I must again close yours ever constant

Isaac Finch

Martha Finch
Letter from Martha Finch to her husband Isaac dated May 5 1830 appears to have had an envelope at one time

Jay May 5 1830

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Hon

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Your ever Constant

Martha Finch