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Dear and respectable Bro.

I take this Opportunity, (by Bro. Boone who has just called on me a few hours) to convey a few lines, to you as a token of my most cordial affection to you. Rec^d. yours, sometime past by the little Bo^r, for which you will please to accept my warmest thanks; believe me, dear Bro. it met with a kind Reception, and it gives me peculiar pleasure that I can get a few Lincs. sometimes from my dear and respectable Brethren in the Ministry, whose Faces I never saw. It would afford me greater Satisfaction if I had some agreeable Intelligence to communicate to you, in Return for your kind favor: But alas! alas! Times are extremely alarming with us in regard of Religion. I trust I have converted about 28 years, have been in the Ministry 27 and am now 49 years old. I know that it was the free electing Love in Christ Jesus that first converted my Soul, and I believe that Love will keep me from falling finally away, And by it I hope to reach the Heavenly Kingdom — But I would say (with regard to the prosperity