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Letter to John Butler from Elijah Butler

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Bloomington Pk. Co. O.T. July 5, 1856

Dear Brother and Sister,

it falls to my lot this morning to write a few lines to you to let you know that our dear Father departed this life the 24th of June he was taken sick on the 9th of June he lived fifteen days from the time he was taken sick his disease was the Tropic Fever. we had the best medical aid that was in the country but it all done no good we had a Botanick Doctor and I think he was a very good one and we had two Mineral Doctors and one of them is said to be the best in the Territory.

his Funeral was preached yesterday by John E. Murphy at the Monmouth Schoolhouse we had every fine Meeting yesterday and the day before. There is nine persons to be immersed today. Elizabeth H Hutchinson is one of that number.

you must excuse me for not writing more this time for the mail will leave here before I could write all that I would like to write I would have written to you sooner had it not been that Isaac Butler said he would write to you but he wrote to Joseph in 1st of you we expect Isaac Butler will administer on the estate.
This leaves us all in good health except some bad colds. The friends are all well so far as I know except Margaret Mason.

She is complaining some. I don't know if the matter with her.

You must excuse me for not writing more but I will promise to write again in a short time.

I want you to write to me as soon as you get this letter.

It is time I was gone to the office.

So no more at present.

John M. Butler

Aug. the 21

'Dear Brother and Sister, this leaves us only tolerable well. I want you to come down if you can to morrow evening. I want to see you about the land suit. They have brought suit for the land. Mary the plants is up so you had as will come a long and gather some'

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