

Please excuse my
bad writing I am using
a red broken down
pen. & ink is bad.
Went to window a
few moments ago
& saw Miss E. sitting
in swing - reading -
she is not so badly
pained now as she
was when you left.
Has time to write
her work occasionally.
Yours
Martin

Greenville S.C.
May 20th / 873.

My dear old "Chum"

Don't be surprised when you
get this. I have rec^d no letter from
you yet, but as I desire that our
correspondence shall not have, least
tinges of formality about it, I will
write p^r moving. I am now in
our old room. Came in fr. coun-
ty yesterday evening - the 2nd time
since you left. Well, of course,
I went down home as soon as
I got in and my hair straightened
a little - Miss Mary met me
w. her usual smiles - & very pleas-
ant greet^g - seemed as glad to see
me as if I h. b. gone a month.
I talked w. her a while - At last
I heard a low sweet gentle voice
fr. other room - the room where

we sat, night by you left saying
"Howdy Mr B I am very busy now will
be in soon. In a few moments
Miss E. came in - & we h. really a nice
time talking over all the passed since
you left. She told me she heard fr.
you at Columbia &c - She was looking
as sweet as ever - had on a dress
w. a ink spot on it - & I told her she
must wear it all the summer for it
brought up many pleasant thoughts.
Her family have b. very well since
you left - & especially Miss E. she h.
not been so gloomy as I thought she
w. be. But you can see a feeling -
sadness flash across her face oc-
casionally - Last night all the family
came in & I h. one - our sweet old
times - just like I was at home sure
enough - But, well, we sadly missed you.
You may rest assured your name was
often mentioned - the circle was broken -
your seat was vacant - we all wished
for you back again - Yet we looked

at you in your own dear home - en-
joying society & loved ones there -
& that, perhaps, you w. as happy as
ever. In evening Annie & Robbie came
up in my room & we spent a whole
evening very pleasantly - Now I must
tell you something of my trip to the country
& tell you & homefolks first be. I
thought it of more interest to you. I h.
tried to smooch five times since you
left - & was doing very well until last
Saturday - I think I made the grandest
failure that I ever made in all my
life. The good Lord seemed to h. blessed
all my previous efforts & gave me
much - the blessed Spirit's influence.
But when I arose Sat? it seemed to
be a perfect blank - every thought seemed
to be driven fr. my head & I could
not discuss, subject by me at all
so I h. to change my theme, after
I h. given out my hymn & offered
prayer - I went through some way
but oh, you cannot imagine how badly

I feel - yet it was all for my
own good - The Master showed ^{me} fr.
wh. source my strength h. to come
I just feel like if the Lord w^d. forgive
me I never w^d. try to preach again
but I h. another appointment Sunday
evening - & I must be filled - Dr. Williams
preached for me Sunday & it was a
best sermon I ever listened to in
all my life - His subject was "Grieve
not, Holy Spirit" - preached one hour
& I c^d. h. listened another, or even
all day if he h. continued in T
strain - Well, you may know I feel
very little like preaching Sunday evening
after listening to such a sermon as I
was - & then remembering my failure
the day before. But "I will all be over soon"
this is, consolation Miss E - gave me when I
told her my failure Sat? I h. to preach out
once more for Braher, & I think I will come
back to I. Sevier & stay here all summer
Well, please write me soon & whenever you can
let us not wait for replies to each others letters
but write whenever opportunity, pen & ink present
themselves - Remember me in your prayers - May, richest
dews - div. grace rest upon you & all your labors.
Write soon - your friend & Bro. devoted Martin -

Miss Lizzie says if you
will write her she
will ans. yr. letter im-
mediately. I wish you
would write to her.

There are some
little things I wish
like so much to
talk w. you @

but much prob-
ably till I see
you. All the
dear ones join
me in send-
ing love &
wish on
your coming
soon.

Fromville S.C.
July 5th / 873.

Dear Will,

Home again! One more
happy heart in the world! We
arrived last Sunday night after
a long drive of 30 miles. I
preached in morning & as soon
as services wr. over we started.
You may know my heart was
free of anxiety. It was late
at night when we got here.
Every body at home had retired
so I could not see our loved ones.
I went to door and knocked
but no response came. How
extremely bad I felt to think
I was so near my own
loved Lizzie & could not see
her. But consoled myself

by I thought I wd see her
earlier, next morning.
I didn't sleep much & night
although very tired & worn
out. Next morning - early I
was up & wishing for break-
fast. I hurried down to
Dr. B's & swallowed a few
bills as fast as you ever
saw any one & hastily moved
off to meet & look over at home.

Even I was w. am. Went into
Miss Mary's workroom. Miss Emma
met me & we had a nice time
talking - all & h. happened
since we left. I found 3
letters waiting me fr. you -
Let me express many many
thanks for them. For I did
enjoy them so much. I found
all well at home except
Mother. She h. b. quite sick, but

where I can take my own
loved Lizzie. When I see you
I can come nearer settling
mouth than I can now.

Many plans h. presented selves
to me. There are many fields
& labor & I believe Miss Lizzie wd
go w. me any where - but I
dislike to take her so far fr. I
other members & family. She says
w. me she can be perfectly happy.
That is enough for me till, we
can talk all P over when you
come & lay our plans for fu-
ture. Make all yr. arrangements
to come @ 1st - Aug.

Miss Emma says she don't believe
you will come back next ses-
sion - but I think it is fr. her
anxiety to see you & for your
return. She enjoys yr. letters so
much.

again - We h. a lunch every
hour or two, consisting - lemonade
cake & berries. But you
know T is not eating any
meals w. us. I wish I could
but it won't do. You h. no
idea how busy every body is
@ my welfare now. Miss Lizzie
Long - says I remained here a
whole month - went to see every
body in town & shipped over
her - Mamie Davis - says I am
so carried away w. "McKays"
T I can't go any where else
ok ok - I do wish you were
here so I w. h. something to talk
@ sure enough - We w. take
two or 3 walks or T w. be enough
to convince us. Sometimes it makes
me a little vexed but I think the

people h. a right to talk or let
me rip. They can't hurt me, I
am proud to h. my name
associated w. such a family
as ours is. If I w. only half
as good I'd get along better in
I O. "One sided Jim" (Mr. King) has
his eyes open all the while - & h.
an assurance & other day to address
Miss Lizzie as Mrs. Ball - oughtn't
he to be killed? the first thing
he knows he will know more
a mighty little of T. Well, I
know you can arrange
for business so T you can
get back by 1st. Aug.
if not by. We w. all be
so glad to see you, & I know
you w. enjoy yr. self. The Chol-
era is there & it is not

good for yr heart to remain so
near it. Don't you listen to
any of the old people @ re-
maining at home one year or
coming then - for if you do
you will never complete the
studies wh. you so much need.
You ask me when I am going
to marry - This is a hard
question. I wish I could go to-
morrow morning - but I
fear it will be a long while
yet. The 1st thing I will
attend to after leaving the
next session is to get me
a permanent location - a
place where I can be sustained.
It will take several months
to do it. When the next session
closes I will have no money
at all, & hence, necessarily,
finding my location - a place

is much better now. My heart
is full of life - so good & pleasant.
But oh, my heart was full
when my own sweet Lizzie came
in, w. a pleasant smile -
as happy as an angel. The tears
would flow from my eyes. I
could not refrain from crying. The
past, with all its bitterness,
with all its sorrows, rushed
by me. The future bright &
happy - all joyous - & full of
enjoyment was introduced in com-
parison. She grasped my hand
eagerly while her eyes looked love
& I could scarcely speak. But she broke
silence. Perhaps you think
it strange, & our meeting so
soon so sad when we have
separated so long. It was not
sad - yet we could not speak for
joy - still, she is too pure for I

O. I fear I love^{her} too dearly.
Since my return I h. b. down home
are, while, "Big Sis" is as
long as she can be. My Annie
is, some good somebody, easy
& quick. We all wish for you
to help us eat Blackberries &
Plums. We all enjoy 'em very
much. It is quite pleasant for
Annie, Robbie & Willie to be at home
are, while, fr. School. They
do, most & cooking, but
you know all, others join
in whenever needed & they r
not long cooking a meal.
Now I don't think I take my
meals here for I do not.
My course & procedure is some-
what like it was by I left.
So I will not go over it all

Wednesday -
 yesterday evening. Miss Lizzie & I
 took a long ride. Went down
 by "Larcy Ann's" house, & all over
 the country. She enjoyed it very
 much, so she said & you know
 I did. We stopped on the way & en-
 joyed some blackberries & plums. -
 very fine & nice. I thought we wd.
 get back home in time to take
 some & others riding but Miss
 Lizzie seemed to enjoy riding so
 much that I got a little selfish
 & wanted to increase her hap-
 piness as much as possible.
 She had been engaged very closely
 in an examination room & was
 quite sick, so my p. to make
 her enjoy herself. Wd give me
 the greatest pleasure.

Miss Emma says she thinks you

ought to come to 1 mountains
sure enough - Dr. h. mot^{ns}.
nearly where persons resort
every Summer for their health -
So you c^d go up there & miss all
Cholera & come to see the house
folk, occasionally - I don't know
whether you know it or not (?)
but the water here is fine, the
nights cool & pleasant - & oh,
so many nice young ladies -
If you w^d come here to 1
mt^s. you might find some
whom you c^d love (?) Some
preachers h. come to attend 1
Sem^y & bound m. wives - the
misch. kind. It may be
past for you to find out, esp^y?
if you come @ 1, 1st, & Aug.
as it is a leisure time to
the young ladies will not
at all busy - Now don't you

think it w^d be best for 4th
Come here. They say I h. found
me a sweetheart here -
But you know I couldn't think
such thing till I leave, Sem^y?
Starrington is here now. It c^d
not get money enough to take
him to Texas - I don't know wh.
he intends doing - but it looks very
much like doing no^t. He can't
see why I love to stay down
at Mrs. McKays so much for. I
told him last night he ought
not to make h. self so troublesome.
He talks to 1 Kings @ my staying
down there - I told him to
keep cool last night - & if he
don't I will close his mouth
for him - (Excuse such a sentence)
You cannot form an idea
how busy 1 people are @
me - just wait till you come

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Schaffed - did drink one & time more - also
they & received him fr. 1 drink - also - also
changing something
I hope you
to you will hear a thing & it.
Miss E. Lizzie, Annie, Robbie & myself
went Blackberry hunting & morn-
ing & oh, we did have such a
delightful Time - we crossed & dived
on a small log & several times
I shot Miss Lizzie wth ball - Miss E.
& suppose will tell you all
@ it. We all got wet as we c^d
be, throwing water on each other.
We didn't get many berries. But
you know we only went for,
fun & not for, benefit & fruit.
I know you are worried w. & long
sorrow - Next time when you go
to write select a time when you
will not be called away &
write me a long long letter.
Tell me @ yr. business & etc.
Much love to yr. Pa & Ma -
Your Bro. in X
Martin.



W. D. Powell,
Murfreesboro,
Tennessee.



Rolling Fork Miss.

Feb 26th 1874

Dear Bro, Fowell:

According to arrangement I went to the Colony. Met a large congregation - Got up and read Mr. Hoama's letter after making some preparatory remarks. And O, my, it was all excitement. I let on as if I didn't know what to do, and said I would sit down and let the people talk and consult - and talk they did, "Both men & women". I played ignorant and wanted to learn several things. I wanted to know if that property had been deeded to the Methodist Conference - was informed it had - Then who controls it - some supposed the Stewards - Others said the Trustees - A discipline was produced I examined that and found the Trustees were the property holders; but couldn't learn the limit of their power.

I then stated the case as it was
and still let on as if didn't know
what to do. Some said get up and
preach. If I didn't want to stand in
the pulpit to stand on the floor. I
inquired if that was a public road or
long there. I was told it was. Then I had
a place to preach. The ladies said just
up the road were several logs. I told
them under a tree or any other place would
do me as well as that house. The
ladies said go. I let them talk and
kept them in suspense until I
thought they were well up to
the sticking point, I then picked
up my hat &c, and said all who
wished to hear me preach would
follow me. And we went in search
of the logs. I told the ladies to sit down
on the logs and the men that I was
going to stand up to preach and that
they were no better than I and they
might stand up too. But they all
got seats. And not a single man
nor woman left. I preached the

best I could. Left another
appointment and went home
with the class leader and the
neighbors gathered in and I preach-
ed again. Tell sorts of sayings
and comments were heard and
a copy of Hemm's letter was asked
for to be in readiness for him.
And I have learned since that
a letter was written him asking
him to resign. Its all right for
us now. I would not near take
an Indian pony for it.
Well last Sunday here I told them
what I was going to do on our
next meeting, and why. And what
I should think if they did not at-
tend. Some think I hemmed them
closely. Their prejudices are run-
ning very high. And I think they
are receiving encouragement. I have
written to Dr. Telson but have not
heard from him yet. Will write when
I hear. This leaves all well except colds.
All join in kindest regards write yours L. Ball

Minnie Bosshis bit a
little piece out of the letter
envelope - I had laid it in
my Testament and he got
hold of it - I had it in my
pocket when you were here
but did not know it.

Please excuse - L.B.



Cherry Creek Miss.
April 9 / 1874

Dear Will,

It is raining so
constantly this morning &
I h. a splendid oppor-
tunity for ans.^r yr. letter
to P.C. which reached me
yesterday. I wrote yr.
a long letter not long
ago & mailed to Glucos
so do not deserve scold-
ing. You silently gave me
in yr. letter @ writing. I
rec^d a letter yesterday fr.
M.J.S. & she wrote as if
yr. wr. going to leave Bottom
immediately. so I was glad
to rec. yr. letter stat^g T yr.

L. concluded to remain till
June. So we can meet at
1 Convention & my letter
will tell Z. if Z. ever get it
& arrangement fr. Z. to come
home w. me fr. 1 Conventⁿ.
Now I will try to make ar-
rangement. I think I can
have conveyance sufficient
to bring Z. if y. will come.
It is true I will be teach^g
after we get here, but then
you will not mind spend-
ing a few hrs. in the
school-room w. me, when
we can talk all night.
Oh, I want to see you so
much so we can talk
over past matter & counsel
@ future. We cannot
effect it any but we can
talk @ wh. is to come

o buied some lofty
castles.

What a nice April-fool you
h. Why did'nt you tell him
to do it again? Ah, that
more of our good brethren
w^d. april fool us in such a
way. Of course you are
aware - sad o critical Con-
dition & Sem^y. It is too
bad & our brethren r going
to permit such a noble
institution as she is go
down. If they do it will be
a blow wh. 1 Baptist & south
will not get over for many
Yrs. I h. b. Try'g to work
for it here but 1 people
seem perfectly dead to all
such institutions. I tried
to preach a missionary ser-
mon not long since, o some

is indeed ripe. There are
not only many precious
souls out of X. but many
his chosen people are
cold & indifferent @ /
great work. Shall we,
whose hearts, as we trust,
have been touched w. / finger
of God's love, sit idly by
& see souls perish on
every hand? God forbid.
I am glad y. are meeting
w. some success in / Bottom.
We are too apt to become dis-
couraged & leave / work for
other hands to do. How
I wish / chs. here w.
let me do nothing else
but preach, but my
pocket is so lean & I

can scarcely live & it
aid any one very little.

I do need my Pearl so
much, What a source of
happiness she w^d be to me.
But G. know all @ it fr.
G's own experience. If
God spares me we
will be together a little
more than a yr. fr. time
to part no more soon unless
by death.

I think I can get you
some boxes made very
soon; but G. did not
tell me where to send 'em.
I guess to Greenville by
Express. Is it right? I
don't think it will cost
you much. It is time
to go to school so I must
close. God bless you Will —
Ever fr. Bro. Martin.

members our Ch. said
it was 1 first thing &
kind they h. heard in T Ch
since Uncle Lewis left more
than 3 yrs. Is T not aw-
ful. They h. h. a regular pas-
tor all 1 while. Of course
if he is not interested in
1 progress of such things
1 people will certainly not
be. When I think & sad
condition - God's people, not
only here, but in many
other places it almost
breaks my heart. Let us
labor & pray for the
diffusion - & blessed
Spirit, wh. alone can move
1 hearts & people. We can
realize now T 1 harvest is

Louisville, Ky., May 26th 1874.

Dear Bev Ponce

Just re-
turned from Kentucky Asso-
ciation. I send you the bond
I have now of \$150, you can
alter one of the \$100 bonds, or
you can use one of \$100, and
one of fifty, sorry the other
did not reach you, I send
the check within.

Yours truly

James R. Boyce.

I shall be at Mississippi
Baptist Convention, and
so will Dr. Brainerd.

I have but one fifty dollar check
to day. Let me know when you
reply to this when I shall send
you some of that amount. I shall
have them printed by Saturday.

Embossed seal: 
Saturday night,
July 4th 1874.

Dear Mr Powell:-

This is the fourth
of July & you would have thought so,
if you had seen the crowds of darkies
that thronged the streets on all sides.
I don't think I ever saw so many together.
I tell you we got lots of new fashions
today, enough to last us till the fourth
rolls round again. Both of the fire
companies were out in uniform, with
the band leading, & I must say
they had better music & behaved better
than on any previous occasion of the
kind. They deserve great credit.

They marched up & down the street twice
& then to ~~Steady~~ springs where they
were to have a Pic-nic. There
was one negro, I rather think he was
from the country & had heard the fire-
men were to be dressed in their uniforms
& thought he must have a suit for the
occasion too & just let me tell you how
he was dressed. I know if you had seen
him you would have joined us in laugh-
ing at him. He had on turkey red ^{flannel} pants
& white coat with a piece of the same
as his pants tied round his arm. Now
don't you think he must have cut a
dash. After they had eaten their din-
ner they all marched to the Court house
where several speeches were delivered, but
if they were, we did not hear any
thing about them, as a general thing
they cannot control their feelings while
the speakers are speaking, but this eve-
ning they were very quiet indeed. All

the bar-rooms were ordered closed so
they could not get the tanglefoot to
get drunk on. I did not see a negro
drunk but saw some a white man
& he a youth, a son of Mr Pickles,
the tailor.

We have done splendid today, I did
not keep account of how many hats we
sold, but I know we sold nearly out
of trimmed hats & we had a good
many on hand. I don't mind how
many such festivals they have if
they buy as they did today. But I
feel very tired from standing on
my feet so much, but this will
soon wear off & I will feel rested
& ready to begin again on Monday,
as I have a whole sweet day to
rest in. What would we do without
this day? I don't think we could
live long. It is a very welcome day
with us, who have to work so hard.

Mr Bruce, Robbie & Annie are in the sitting room now, singing from Pure Gold & the other books & you & Mr Ball ought to be here to help them. Some one has made a mistake in a new piece they are learning & such laughing. you ought to be here to help them out. Mary, Finnie & I are in the workroom. Mary is altering a hat, Finnie reading, & you know what I am doing. Now if you could just sneak in through the gate & yard & come up to the door, what a scare you could give us. I tell you you would see three frightened mortals, as you ever saw. Mr Bruce had a sad thing to happen to him the other night. He left here & went up to his room & as he was going up, he says he felt uneasy & that he heard some-body walking, he went on up stairs & when he got in the passage he saw a black cat & thought this made the noise & thought nothing more about it, till the next morning, when

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a good deal about it. Has been blue ever since. I am glad to hear him singing, for he such a cheerful some-
body that it is not like him to be blue. He thought that old John who has been tending to cleaning up his room was the person, & had a policeman to go & look his house, but found nothing. I think I saw the suit this morning on a negro, but was not certain. I think if I had seen him as I came back up the street again & could have got a policeman I would have had him taken up. I don't know either, I am rather a timid mortal about such things. It may be just as well that I did not see him again. But it is getting late & I must bid you good night with a wish that you may enjoy a blessed sabbath tomorrow & hope you are quite well.

Monday morning.

I received your kind & ever welcome letter of the first, with that snake story in it, & was so glad to hear you were quite well. Still you that is a dreadful story, I was much interested in reading it. Poor girl, I should think she would be very grateful to the Dr. who has been able to cure her after suffering so long. I am glad you had your picture taken & hope you will send it as soon as you get it. Glad you met Prof. Whitsett. I know you were glad to see him. I would have liked to have heard that sermon. I am fond of hearing him preach. he is very earnest. We had a splendid sermon yesterday from the Dr. It was Communion Sunday & the sermon was on this. His text was John 6:53. There was a good many there. The house was nearly filled.

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At Home.

Sept 23rd / 1874

Dear Will,

I am "bru" home,
up stairs in my own
quiet room & now
will write you a short
letter. I h. written to
Miss Lizzie to-night for
the first time in 3
weeks & of course
had to write a long
letter. We reached home
last night from our
association & I found
your letter & two from

my fire-eating Lizzie - You
cannot imagine how
much I enjoyed all
of them. I know of
nothing except Gr.
actual presence & w.
h. done me as much
good. It w^d not
look right for me to
begin now to apologize
for not writing. All
I excuse I h. to render
is 7 protracted meet-
ings h. kept me very
busy. I do wish I was
near you so we c^d talk
all @ it. I labored
w. Bro. Lowry almost
all summer & he

proved a grt. help to me.
While in West Tenn. I
wanted to come to see
you & intended to do
so but some 9. occur-
ed which prevented. I will
tell g. all @ it sometime.

I guess I am situated
here for many days to
come. Every thing is
so pleasant w. me. The
people all know me &
I know fm. so we will
move on together. There
are plenty of chs. fr. me
to preach to & some
w^m will pay right
well. How surprised
to hear v death

Jackson. It was
very shocking to
his wife I know.
I will write you
a long letter as
soon as possible
Ans. I & our I
wrote not long ago
very soon. May God
bless you abundantly
Your true friend
o Bro.

Martin

Cherry Creek
Nov. 24th 1874.

Dear Will,

This evening a short note reached me from you. Was glad to hear from you again. Your letters every one of your letters are highly appreciated by your "old lady". I have but a short time to write to you tonight. I have a class in school reading Virgil & they have 50 lines to read in the morning. I must read it over tonight; & have some Greek to read in addition. But more than that there are two or three sermons to come from some source. I have to accept three churches very soon & must prepare something appropriate for the occasions. The hardest pill I have had to swallow since I entered the ministry was getting my consent to serve this church at Cherry Creek. They elected

me unanimously. There was not a dissenting voice. That made it much harder for me to refuse them. But the idea of my standing by boys who know all my wickedness & the mischief I have been in is quite trying. At last I gained my consent to serve them. The church does not pay very much - about \$200⁰⁰.

I am glad you are so well pleased & getting along with your church so agreeably. It would give me much pleasure to visit you & have a long talk but that will not be possible till next spring. It is only a little over five months till we can check our baggage through. That will be a glorious time. Well, every night as I sit around my fire after the boys have gone to bed I think of Lizzie - my precious jewel, & wish for her. In the midst of my thoughts I have come to the con-

clusion that the very first thing
any one ought to do after com-
pleting his course - study ought
to be to marry. He will make
money faster & save more of it.
If Lizzie had been with me I
would not have spent near as
much money as I have since
I left, Sam. How is it with you?
I am now teaching a public
school - I mean a County school
for \$60⁰⁰ per month. This
is not much pay but the best
I could do. My board does not
cost me any thing. What kind of
Arithmetics do you use in your
school? where Grammar? I have
almost knocked English Grammar
out of my school & substituted
Latin. If ever I have a boy, which
I think doubtful, he shall never

study Eng. Gram. till he is 20 yrs.
old. I believe many boys are cut
out of a good education because
they are made to adhere so closely
to the C. G. I was very sorry to
hear of Mother's illness. My L. wrote
as if they were alarmed a day or
two. She writes me some excellent
letters - and they stir my very soul.
Will I had no idea that we had
such splendid ladies for our intended
help-meets. No better could be found
in the south. In every way they are
superiors. Miss Mary talks sometimes
like she will go to the Convention -
next Spring. I hope she will; it
will be real pleasant to have her
in the crowd. What is Zack going
to do? I hope he will come back
to Miss. We all want him back.
He scarcely ever writes to me now.
Write me as soon as you can
in a long letter. Jeff will excel

Greenville S.C. March 1st /875-

Dear Bro. Cornell=

I know of nothing that wld. interest you specially, but feeling, perhaps, you wold like to hear how things are moving at the Old Sem - I concluded to drop you a short epistola. We are doing as well at the present, as when you were here. One or two students have left, while as many more have come in. The health of the boys is generally very good. My own is bad. By acting imprudently I have brought back, in part, that old distemper I contracted while in college. Have had to drop one of my studies, & spend the time in exercising. Hope now to improve. Have been expecting a letter from you, from what Sister Bettie wrote me. Would be glad to know how you are getting along with the Antiochians. I addressed a short note to them once since I have been here, intimating my need of money, but all the while, so far, they have been perfectly mute on the subject. Was in hopes that you wld be able to stir them up on that subject, so far at least as to get them to give me something. It would be useless for me to tell you that I am in need of money. I came here with the expectation of receiving help from that people, they have deceived me, & left me to get through the best way I can. It is all right, & I believe that all things

work together for good with them that love God,
But looking at it from a human standpoint, we
could see frequently how this can be, So in this case,
with myself. Have made no arrangements yet, as to
what I will do at close of the session, which is only
two months.

I went this evening, in company with Bro. L.
& formed the acquaintance of you Darling, I was
received, & treated so kindly that I am really asha-
med of myself for not going before. Miss Robin.
played several pieces for us, & in the meantime
I engaged in a very pleasant conversation with
Miss Emma. I expect you will have to get you
a short gun, & charge it with some kind of com-
bustible, & shoot me for being your rival.

Dr. B. is gone to New York for the purpose of
raising funds for the Sem. - Went to be gone
two weeks. We expect him back the latter part
of this week.

He ^{gone} is plenty to keep us at hard work while,
believe I would prefer his staying here; specially
since he gives so much to do during his absence.
Hope you may succeed with the people at Antioch,
& that they will be more careful to see to your
temporal wants than they have to mine.

Pray for me. Have a little mission station of my own at
which I preach every Sunday eve. Let me hear from
you soon. Yours Bro. - G. H. Leaster

I hear from Broaddus
occasionally. He writes
me all @ Hawkins.
wasn't that terrible.
I always loved
her was a scorn-
dred, & ought
not to be no-
ticed by
people.

Cherry Creek, Miss.
Mch. 2nd, 1875.

Dear Will,

I have been look-
ing anxiously for a
reply to a letter ~~you~~
wrote you sometime
ago. Perhaps you did
not receive it. I w^d.
have written long by
this & not waited for
an answer but it has
been quite a busy sea-
son with me. My
churches were all out
of repair & have de-
manded much of
my time. It is quite

a task to commence
with a parcel of churches
to imbue the Spirit of the
master in all of them.
In fact we may preach
& pray with all our might
but unless all our
Efforts are blessed by
the Holy Spirit it will
prove in vain. Some-
times I get so cold
myself that all my
labors to arouse fall
cold & lifeless. But
with all the discourag-
ement it is a glorious
work & becomes
dearer & dearer every
day. If only sweet
Lizzie was here to give
comfort to my weary
heart all would be well

Will, don't you think the time will pass off more rapidly & a great deal more pleasantly when we unite our hearts & hands with the Angels of our bosoms? What a blissful hour that will be to me!

Now to some practical questions. When we leave Greenville after Commencement & go to Charleston will we return by Greenville or come directly home? Which do you think would be the better plan? I have no idea they will give us any freetickets on any of the roads. To speak plainly, Will, I have no money to spend for

anything but ~~stom~~ necessities. The things I am obliged to have must come. I am bound to marry at the appointed time if Miss L. does not fly the track & I have not the least fear of her ever doing such a thing. I have not made as much money as I desired to make because this has been the most trying season the people ever realized in this community. But I think I will have enough to put me through. Oh, I can not stay from my loved Lizzie longer

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Every day she becomes
dearer to me. Her im-
age is as fresh as when
I left her. We ought
to be thankful that God
has spared them for us.
After Supper.

Just now Mr. Perry
came in from the Office
& handed me a long
letter from you which
did me a great deal of
good. So now I can
furnish this w. more
easily. I expect you
will think I have
already written enough.
You see above what
I have had to say @

hard times & , scarcely
- money. I guess I
h. as hard times collect-
ing as any one. In
fact there is no mon-
ey here for me. But
if I do not succeed
in making my collec-
tions now there are
plenty of men here
who~~s~~ will give me
use of as much
money as I want
without a cent in-
terest. They are too
kind to me. I expect
to close my school
(@ the 16th of April &
will not probably com-
mence again till Sep-
tember. I know I
am not able to sus-

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find so long. But all
my relatives (and they
are numerous) want
me to spend some
time with them this
summer. My board
will not cost me
a thing. So there will
be no expense attach-
ed to the times I am
idle. I want to visit
members of my
congregations as much
as possible. If people
here or control me they
won't want me
to stop at all but you
see marrying is some-
thing that I am going to
take time to attend to.
If selection is left
me to choose one

to perform the ceremony I will at once select Dr. Williams; He would be my choice @ a Thousand. Do not leave it entirely with me. I had selected my brother-in-law, Luther Bunnell, as he intended going to the Convention but last week there were some men who came down on him for the payment of some security-debts which completely ruined all his prospects for the next few years. He has given

up all hope of going
now. I had hinted
such a thing to Miss
Lizzie & it took fairly
but now must tell
her differently. Do
not mention this to
any one at home.
If we have to get
British we will do so
as if we never had
any idea of employing
any one else. Like you
tho', I had almost as
soon anybody else
would marry me.
We will manage it as
best we can.

The trip will cost me

more than it will
you as I will have
so much further to
travel than you. You
will not have much
more than half as
far to go as I will.
I expect to leave home
with about \$150⁰⁰/₁₀₀.

Do you think that
will go any where to-
wards bearing my
expenses. My ticket
from here to Greenville
will cost \$26⁰⁰/₁₀₀. It was
surprising to me when
I heard that Mrs May
h. gone to Charleston
w. Bro. Womack, when
we h. b. begging her
to go with us to the
Convention & she had

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declined. They have
not told me yet
what her business
there was. If you
know please tell
me in your next.
I have someth. to tell
you when we meet
that I cannot tell
now. I c^d. tell it but
it w^d. be better to wait
till we meet. It was
told me by my sister
on her authority - was
derived from Mr. Berry.
If it is true it is
real shocking.

My preaching is
all scatter-gun style.
I promise my Church
better when I marry,
of course do not

in all yr. aft. to the address
may find abundance of love you
He is doing well at Bro. Loring.
Keep married life is beautiful
you so much. Yes, just
tell them so publicly, but
privately promise to do better
not many days hence. Oh, hasten
on the good time. It is so near
now that I can count the days
till I meet the precious
jewel. How is time passing
with you. My school keeps me
busy but still it drags along
slowly. What must I do. Well, well, I
must close. I know you are
thinking it time write me a long
letter very soon & tell

I do want to see every thing nice

I shall be pleased to continue our correspondence but do me the favor not to insinuate in any respect that such a report is true concerning one so innocent & pure as was our departed sister. I am truly proud to be connected with a family so far above the majority of people. I would be pleased to know your intentions, your prospects & the course you intend to pursue in this matter. A man must make some decision as to how he will act in any case & not always be tossed here and there.

I feel a deep interest in
you also. I cannot
say I sympathize with
you as deeply in this matter
as you think I ought.

Lizzie and I are perfect-
ly happy with each other.
I realize that it is indeed
blissful to press her to my
heart as my own. Every
day I love her more.

It is a pleasure to me
to make her happy. We
had a delightful time
traveling.

Praying God's blessings
on you & your labors
of love, & asking an
interest in your prayers
I am

Ever your friend & Bro-
Martin L. Ball.

Germville S.C.

Apr. 29 1875.

Mr. W. D. Powell.

Friend Will,

I have by
me the letters you wrote
to Miss Emma - have just
finished reading them
and the hot blood stands
in my veins. You have
entirely deceived me and
many others who have proven
true friends to you.

In reading your letter I
could see a spirit exhib-
ited that I never would
have thought was in
you. Here sit near
me one of the fiercest

of earth who flighted
to you a woman's tru-
est love - who was wil-
ling to leave all and
clieve to you - who has
shown you by many
acts of kindness that
she loved you tenderly -
devotedly, earnestly - How
dare you trifle with such
a heart as hers - Would
it not be better to
suffer your right arm
severed from your body
yea, rather your tongue
torn from the roof of
your mouth, and all
this for a rumor from
the lips of slanderers.

Is there so much want
of true nobility of char-
acter - of honesty of heart

stability of purpose - of
Christian regard for a
flighted bow in you
as thus to act? We have
been intimate bosom friends
unfolding the secrets of
our hearts to each other
for some time but
such a spirit as you
have exhibited in these
letters to Miss Emma never
was disclosed to me by.

Would you turn away
from her whom you
have declared you love
above all other beings
on earth for the sake
of a position in Tenn.
when millions elsewhere
are begging for the
bread of life? Your re-
ports - however many

and severe they may
be I know are not
true. I take it that you
were virtually married.
It is not the ceremony
that constitutes the marriage
but the vow given between
the parties. Paul says
a man must lay down
his life for his wife -
(See Eph. 5th ch.) With this
by you, can you ruth-
lessly turn away from
Miss Emma and sever
the ties that have bound
you together so long - just
because the country
is filled with the story
of idle Tattlers and

silly babblers. Now I
could talk to you
more freely than I
can write. For there
are many things I w^d
like to say to you.

Your letters gave Miss
E- and the family much
trouble at first but
it has passed away &
I suppose you have
read a letter from
Mrs E- ere this that
gave you her decision.
According to my opin-
ion your failure to
meet your contract
with Mrs E- will in-
jure you much more

than any report however
vile it might be.

I do not know when
we will ever meet. But
when we do I want
to tell you what I think
of this whole affair and
your conduct. It has
pained much to find
things just as they are.
Gather some of the spirit
of a Xn soldier & never
be warped in such a
manner as this again.
I would like to receive
a letter from you
when I get home in
reply to this.

Your friend
Martin L. Pace

Cherry Creek Miss.

May ~ 1843.

Rev. W. D. Powell.

Dear Friend,

I found your letter awaiting my arrival. The contents were perused carefully. I found that in some respects you did not exactly catch the sentiment of my letter. Let me assure you that I did not write in a passion as you incorrectly supposed. The subject had been considered thoroughly by me. I will not take back a single word that I wrote. You insinuate that I do not exactly understand your

situation or I would not have written in such a manner. Let me freely express myself so that we may understand each other hereafter. I consider no position sufficiently trying to justify me in wounding & for ought you know utterly crushing the heart of a noble pure lady to whom I had vowed my heart's tenderest love. When I left Sister Emma she was as bright & cheerful as I had ever known her. The gloom which your indecision & peculiar conduct had caused was not ~~by~~ me to be seen about her cheerful face. She had reached the point where she could say "thy

will be done". Realizing that all this mysterious conduct had been directed by Heaven for her own good. But you did not know when you asked her in one of your letters to postpone the engagement indefinitely that so soon her heart could rejoice again. I am proud to know that she is a heroine & knows how to face a winter storm. Let all this pass. I have a heart that can forgive. Knowing the weakness of our natures & my own many many faults. Let me assure you I am still your friend. Ever since we first met I have regarded you as a noble high-toned An

gentleman and esteemed
you as a warm friend.
Now I am willing that
these links shall not be bro-
ken. I am now more
intimate with dear Sizzie's
family than ever before and
know better how to love them
if such a thing were
possible. The report which
you say has given you so
much trouble & which from
the tone of your letter you
seem to credit I know to
be false & untrue. I had
the pleasure of meeting many
friends of the family in Charles-
ton, who think so much
of every member of the
family.

Office Secretary State,
Sunday School Convention

Dallas Texas U.S.A.
May 1st 1880

To the Officers and delegates
of the International Sun-
day School Convention in
London England - and all
before whom these presents
may come, Know ye, that
the bearer hereof Rev. W. D. Pow-
ell of Brenham Texas U.S.A. is
the duly appointed Delegate
and is hereby instructed to
represent said State in said
International Sunday School
Convention - and is commended
to the love and esteem of all brethren

Alpha Young
John L. Story — Pres. State S. S. Convention
Secretary —

Dear Bro. Powell: -

I got your postal this morning. Am greatly delighted at your success in South East -
ern Texas. Hope it will continue through the year.

I was with bro. Penn at Blanco. Found that you had very many friends out there. We had a grand time. See Her-ald of this week.

Money for you is coming in very slowly. ~~Am sorry~~ of this. I have made an appeal in the Herald. It ought to have come out this week. Look for it next.

The fact is, I have too much to do. Think I did wrong in allowing the brethren to select me for Cor. Sec. Think yet it might be best for the Board to select another man.

So far, my plan is to get one good man in each county to ~~work~~ get contributions from each church, and I

appoint him ² Deputy Cor.
Sec. I wish you would
send me a list of
names of persons who
could serve me well in
this matter. I have
already made out a list
and forwarded to Herald.
I doubt the propriety of making
any appointments outside of
the Convention. If no
S. S. Evangelist is appointed
in Eastern Texas, we
might get some help
from that section.
A great deal of sickness in
the country. Wife and I are
well. I came very near
being killed last Wednesday
evening by a buck him thrice
as big as a gun I was shoot-
ing. My face is much blacken-
ed by powder. Eyes very sore.
Doctors won't let me go to
our County Convention. Get
me word from you often.

Yours in X
W. D. Baines Jr.

Rockdale Texas, Aug 27th 1880.

Sumter S. C.
Sept 17 1880.

Dear Bro:-

Your good letter reached me yesterday, remailed from Greenville. I was glad you thought enough of me to write though you did not get my letter. When I wrote I was fearful you wd not get the letter as you were traveling much of your time.

It grieves me to hear of yr. terrible church troubles. But Baptists are very democratic & their extreme democracy leads them into many troubles. I always conclude that there cannot be much genuine religion where there is so much dissension. But we are

not to judge in that
all important matter.
I trust these difficulties
will soon all be settled
& you think of nothing
but begging men to be
saved. This is the great
work of the ministry &
it belongs to others to
ponder with disagreements.
When we have done all
we can we must stand
amazed at the greatness of
the task by us & like Paul
exclaim "Who is sufficient
for these things."

I have imagined that
your state is overrun
with preachers - Sometimes
in thinking of the west
I would feel an inclina-
tion to move but would
always think of Texas as
crowded out with preachers.
I am exceedingly glad you

are succeeding so well.
Your work must be
an arduous one. I was
mission pastor here for
two years & found that
unpleasant. I don't know
how I would do if I
were general agent. What
do you do with yr. fam-
ily? Have you bought a
place out there, or do you
rent? I rent a place
here but am thinking
of buying & if I have to
leave I will have a place
my wife & little ones can
call home. This is a
very pleasant part of
the State. Some tell me
it is the best portion
of the State. The lands
are very fine. We are
not a great way from
the Coast but sea breezes
almost all the time

Ministers are scarce here. A good man could get a first class salary here as mission-pastor in our Ass^y. I wish we could induce some of you Sem['] boys to come back to the Palmetto State. We can find comfortable homes for as many as will come.

My field is a pleasant one. I preach to two churches, which I organize & build myself while working for the State Board. Of course they feel dear to me. And though my salary (\$750⁰⁰) is small I have no inclination to leave them. They give me a vacation of six weeks in the summer & allow me to recreate in any way I desire.

✻ BAPTIST ♦ ANNIVERSARIES ✻

NEW YORK, 1882.

May 24th to May 31st inclusive.

New York, May 23d, 1882.

Dear Sister:

My health and strength improves every day. We came over from Philadelphia this morning, a distance of 90 miles in 2 hours & twenty minutes. You could hardly have seen the trees. There is one train that comes in just two hours.

I bade my Yankee friends good-bye this morning. I spent several days with Dr. Johnson, my "boss" and became much attached to his family. The doctor and one of his ~~dearest~~ ^{dearest} will come over to-morrow.

C. R. Blackall

ADDRESS:

25 GREAT JONES STREET.

Chairman Committee on Hospitality.

Bro. Pope was with me last night. Yesterday evening Dr. Johnson took Dr. Pope and I in a carriage and Oh, we did have such a delightful time driving through Fairmount Park by the buildings where the Centennial was held, then up the Schuylkill river. Last night at the earnest solicitation of the young men I addressed them at the Free Church. They said they should never forget their Texas preacher.

But I am so anxious to get home. I think I shall ride on the "cow-catcher", so as to hurry through. I do wish I could start to-morrow. I have bought the hats, bonnets &c. and sent them by express to Navasota. Yours and Susie's are just alike. I mean to thrash every one who is not pleased with what I get them. So be prepared to be satisfied. Take good care of Florence. Love to all. Yours about brother
W. D. P.

U
Palestine Texas
Arend Powell Oct 31st 1882

Dear Brother

Excuse

this freedom in writing to you
but a Mothers anxiety will
1 cause her to do many things
I have an only and much
loved daughter, visiting
in Saltillo at her Uncles
Dr Bibbs she wrote me twice
after getting there, and they came
all right, that was on the 11th, and
13th and not a word can I
hear since. I have written
repeatedly, and I fear she
is very sick or dead and
they will not write us for fear
of exciting us if very sick
they fear writing, thinking she
will be better, and she thinks

they have written us none do
please go and hunt until
you find Dr Bibb's house
and Enquire for Mrs. A. B. Killough
she is a Baptist, and our only
living child of six - our
youngest, do not stop until
you and your wife find her
and if bad let us know the
worst. if her letters & ours
have been lost I know she
is miserable, not hearing
from us her Parents, I feel
the worst already - I cant
rest I try to think the letters
are lost and everything else
dont listen to what they tell
you but find her and see her
and if sick talk and listen
to her and do just what she
wants, for the love of a mother -
Telegraph and write both
they may think her unconscious, while
she really might not be, oh do
go and find her and God will
bless you, and I pray he will

a troubled mother &
remain - &c

Mrs. L. J. Chambers
Box 94, Palestine Texas,
Anderson Co, -

P.S. if you have to write
us about her anyway. just
write to Bro. Wallace our
Pastor here at this place
and he will come over and
tell me - yours L. C. -



Valley Mills 302 pages
Dec 18th 1882

Rev Mr. J. S. Powell.

Dear Sir -

I am at the end
of my journey - at least - am within
six miles of my sister's house, and
will go there this A.M. - All day
yesterday have been ill & in bed and
the same last night - was compelled
to keep my bed in the sleeper - and
this morning am still sick high
fever - and great prostration
mentally and physically.

Now I ask the favor of you
dear Mr. Powell, that you
mention to no one the reception
of these lines from me - please
do not - or only write them
hoping thereby that I may
find some comfort from
you as a man of God.

I am just completely beside
myself - suffering such
agonies as can hardly
be imagined - not because
there is any nor even the
least feeling of having
committed even a small
sin, willfully against
God, husband or self
and as you told me
one crushing the feeling
of wife for husband
predominates and how
soon I have loved
him far better than life,
what have in all he
created, true and
faithful to him - never
once having had even
a thought of unfaithful-
ness towards him, so
have mercy on him &
on me - I tell you more

I have felt for a long while ~~long~~ that
my husband did not love me any
more, he made me feel that I was a
nuisance and a burden on him - whether
it was so or not I can't say, only know
I feel proud to say I have been such - re-
sult to this hour his faithful wife. Oh
you don't know what agonies are suffering
now - there is a malignant which hangs
over me - Mr B told me the other day
he intended to publish me all over ex-
cluding or awake then is over before me.
Oh you - you interfere - work him
not to do it, just for the sake of
what little good he has done in me
what that is done I commit suicide,
if he do not publish me - I can live alone
every here in the country and with the
company of my sweet little boy, the child
of my sister who is dead - can pass
my days - peacefully perhaps -
I am sure there has not been such
malicious representations in the

newspapers in Lx. on this matter
as Mr B imagined - there has not
been a comment that I have heard.
If possible would you try to induce
Mr B not to have my name put in any
paper in this unfortunate affair - get him
to listen to the voice of reason, now that
I am away from him forever, he might
be a little lenient towards one who has
never done ought but mischief to his
every little wish. O! how have mercy on
me, what am I to do even in this
fearful ordeal - is it wicked to pray
to die? There is naught left for me
in life, the sweet precious countenance
of my dear little boy is before me
if I only had him with me now!
What a blessing it would be to me.
Am at the house of Mr J. L. Sears
until this p.m. - he was my first
Sunday school teacher when a little
girl - they are all so good to me,
which is a balm to my wounded
heart; for I am utterly alone
in thought & feeling.

(3^d)

I have determined to write no one there
save yourself - it is best for all to forget
me as soon as possible - would like
to know how all the sick ones are -
Mr Gray included - so hope he may be
fully restored to health - where did they
all go - or how are Mrs Mabson or Mr
Miller, it was a great pleasure for
me to minister to them each & all -
& help restore them. I hope you can
permeate with your christian example
& presence - I fear having my
name appear in any wise in a news-
paper - please don't let him - I
don't think I deserve it for
the little I have done - now
as you - it is enough I think
that I have come peaceably
away, and trying to be resigned
to this life of parishioner, and
with my sister, and dear little
Willie pass on down the valley of
life unto death, and oh may it -

come soon it may do so before you have
read these lines - however - write me any-
thing you can in regard to
everything and don't forget to
remember and in your daily
prayers. I shall send for my little
bag just as soon as I am a little
better, he is my last & only hope of
comfort in this life & so intelli-
gent & bright - he will divert my
mind. I expect some of them abuse
me very much for coming away, but
am satisfied it was the best for all - the
pains were very great, & besides it was
impossible for people unacquainted
with the land - tedious as they are
in Mexico to obtain redress - I hope they
concluded to abandon it. I cannot
now Mr Powell not to mention to
any one that I have written you -
but you know my anxiety is so
great - cannot contain myself &
am so sick every way. Write me at
once in reception of this - don't know
what I shall do with myself until I hear
from you - if possible guard this extract
of mine in regard to Mr Powell publishing me -
may God bless & keep you is my prayer
Yours in dearest affection. Fannie C. Powell

If my niece is still there - would
you talk to her, & without mention
of having rec^d this say that you
know by this time am sincerely sorry
for each & everything I have said
and done to her in every way - and
that if I write her asking pardon
she must as a Christian woman
give me pardon - I can never ac-
n recall things so they all look
different - make her promise

you this - & then you write
me when she is coming back
to Lx - I'll write her - I am
always willing & glad to make
all amends possible when ad-
mising. Do write me at once
God alone knows how

am suffering in every way -
May he spend some way for relief
open through the gates of death
this would be welcomed.

Waco, ~~Missouri~~ Texas
Jan. 3. 1883.

Rev. W. F. Powell

My dear Brother

Yours of Nov-30th

came to hand after some delay

I would have answered sooner but
for two things. 1st Waiting for an oppor-
tunity of writing more full and 2nd to
see what best to say about receiving
the Mexican students you mentioned

But in the rush and push of
so many duties I can never find
leisure to write except "Columns
currente".

I am glad to know you will
move cautiously in receiving members
your whole ultimate success will
depend on this course. So be it then

owes his wonderful success in Germany to this one cause alone any other. I am more pained at the vast amount of misconverted material Bro Penn is crowding into our Churches than anything that has ever occurred in Texas. If not checked it will put up back a greater of a century. We are trying to arrange for Oregon to take him a spell say of a year and then if Utah could take him a spell of a year or two Texas might recover from Pennism.

If filling our churches with law material or untempered material is cause or a cause long established as in Texas what will be in beginning on a new field where opposition will be fierce and unrelenting.

Paul uttered the grandest practical ever uttered by any man or may when he could hold of Paul to his converts

and say "Ye are my epistles seen and read of all men".

Have no fears of the bitter hatred of Romanism. Romanism is essentially the essence of persecution and God will turn it your account for his glory & 1000 prayers ascend to God for your preservation and success daily perhaps hourly.

^{Imminent} Has never moved up so grand as in the opening of my 3rd year. We have now considerably over 300 and hope to reach 400 the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention here in May next.

2nd I will gladly take the young lady on the same terms Dr. Luther does and can board her brother in our Maggie Houston Hall for about \$6.50 a month not including washing and fuel and light. These will cost about

\$2.50 more making in all \$9. a month
and tuition from \$3. to \$5.00 a
month according to grade of studies

Our prospects are fine for
\$60,000 indommit and Dracs will
put the \$20,000 in 30 days when
the other is guaranteed

So we will be well provided
"the coming tide" you mention
Roll it on and we will try
and return it purified and
redeemed. We are anxious to
get some Mexican Parrots and
other rare birds, be sure and send
us some by the Mexican students
or by express should they not come
soon. All yours in much love to
you and Jones. Yours affectionately
Rufus L. Burleson

W. H. Dodson,
Pastor
First Baptist Church.

San Antonio, Texas. *May 8th* 1883.

Dear Bro Cornell

I would have
written you before this but
have been quite sick, better
now & hope to be well soon
I suppose Bro Warren
has reached you with his
family before. Draft - on
Tuesday night - last.

After paying Bro Warren
the amount you requested
I sent - remainder to your
Factor, \$24. has 16th for P.O.
order. Below I give you
statement in full of our
transactions, & trust - all
will be satisfactory, &
enclose receipts except - for the

Nov 26 1883

\$15: paid Mrs. Warren for 14-month
this rept - for this I send - Bro
Harrington as the Mod. Socie
Subscription.

Received of S. A. Church & Society	\$15.00
of W.D.P. for the Manual	10.00
Dec 30 th W.D.P. for Warren	29.86
July 14-1883. W.D.P. Church & Society	26.00
" " Bro C. A. Warren	2.50
" " Tally	1.00
Total	<u>84.35</u>

Paid Mrs. Warren for 14-month \$15

" " " Nov 30th 10

" " " Dec 11th 10

" Bro Warren July 14- 149.35

Total 84.35 - 2 = 84.35

Ann Young People's Society called
the "Helpers" have agreed to
raise \$20. have already \$10.
on hand which I send to
day to Bro Harrington with
some other amounts, can

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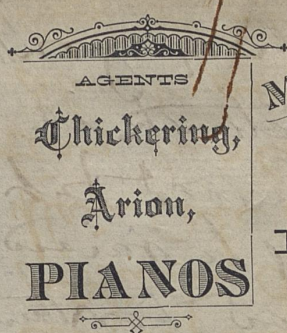
Church & societies here now
 completed for ^(foreign) missions
 the \$100. we proposed to raise
 most of it - has been paid
 we have also raised a
 small sum for the
 first church in B.

we enter the new year
 under favorable prospects
 expecting a large harvest.
 This year, you have
 our continued earnest
 prayers both for your
 family & work, pray
 for us. write me a long
 letter & tell me all about
 your work & prospects. God
 bless you & yours. —

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with assurances of highest-
esteem & confidence &
praying Gods richest-
blessings are yours
always I am ever
for yours in gospel
councils.

W. H. Dodson



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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS,

Jan 15th 1885

Dr. Bro. Powell

Your very highly appreciated allusion in the Literals and your more appreciated Communication by P.C. of recent date have met my Eye. I could but have, in common with all Baptists in Texas a great interest in the Mexican Mission work and especially of in that entrusted to your care. Among the disallowed sects such as Paul, remonstrated with on account of their too ardent attachment to men, I am sure I may say that, in point of a sincere esteem, a high admiration and a strong confidence, I would have to claim, "I, of Powell".

I notice, as you have before now, Bro. Hunt's remarks abt. your Organ. The kind he has recommended is Style 434 sufficient for a capacity of 50 x 100 ft and a congregation of 1000 and can be controlled for any ordinary dimensions less than that. It has not a plain case as Bro Penn's or you see from representation enclosed, but the case on Bro Penn's would cost about as much. You should have it or Style 362 and 434 is more tasty and will answer your purpose

as I said in as large a church as you'll
ever get into. I expect Bro Hunt's estimate is
~~it~~ somewhat above the amount actually needed but
perhaps less than the whole amount will be raised.

The cost, actually, as we pay by Car load for them
is, within a fraction, delivered in ^{Florida}, for 434. \$125.⁰⁰
for 362 \$105.⁰⁰. I could have it put into a case
like Bro. Penn's, but for a church house & stationary
use the one shown is preferable, I think. But you
select what you want and you shall have it at the
wholesale price. We don't propose to make a cent
on the organ and also to pay \$1000 towards the
purchase. We get here from churches (have sold two or
three here) \$166. for 434 and \$125.⁰⁰ for 362.

In a short time doubtless the tariff will be abolished
and you can get 434 delivered at Saltillo for
say \$150.⁰⁰ or \$175.⁰⁰. I am thinking of coming to see you
soon. I want to get up a music business in Monterey
and Saltillo. You can inform me of the chances & won't
you, right away? I would like to start a Hotel in Saltillo
if I had or could start it on no capital! Hope
to hear from you soon. With the greatest love for
you all and the sincerest wish for your best good re-
member me to the household and believe me

Yr. Truly
Jr Bro.
E. Everett

Baccharis Leno
Jan 26. 1883

Rev. W. F. Powell

Will be ready and
happy to receive our first install-
ment of students from Mexico

I sincerely hope you can
come with them if not too much
consumption of time and money

We are very anxious to
get two pairs of Mexican Parrots

Can you not send them by
the students or express them
to us. Also any other rare birds
from your fertile clime.

We have a regular aviary for
all rare birds to instruct and
amuse our students. In haste

Yours Affectionately
Rufus & Burleson

Brenham Texas

Jan'y 26. '83

My Dear Powell

I have just read
yr blood stirring letter in
the Herald. God bless you
is the hearty prayer of every
Brenhamite Baptist. I felt
like that the old days of Steph-
en had come back. Oh how
honored you are! Found
worthy to suffer for Christ.
Blessed man, you conquered
Texas - and now breaking
the crust of Mexican Catholi-
cism. We are with you
in our prayers. I told yr
story at the breakfast table
this morning - and such
indignation as Annie Ear-
nest - Carrie - all expressed
and what tender pitying

love for you^r dear ones.
Hawthorn was here yes-
terday - he secured \$17 and
\$21 for your organ. I think
yr organ will be in place
in two months or less.

You will see that the
Herald misstates the Brenham
figures as to increase in
membership - I have had
#126 additions in 3 years - 53
Baptisms in 3 years. The money
figures are as correct as I can
get them under present circum-
stances. I go to Houston to
Boccker's help next week. I
do not know what can be
done - I know what I want to
do - I want to preach Christ
& Him crucified. Give our
love to yr dear wife and
children & sister in law

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we hold you all as partic-
ularly our own - and
pray for, and pay for you
accordingly. I think this Church
pays \$250 this year for you, and
abt \$80 for Dr Flournoy -

Sister Graves is well, and is
as much of a Powellite as ever
one need to be. Breedlove told me
yesterday he had an offer for
yr place here. I do not know
who makes it - or what the
nature of it. No news of
special interest except what you
yourself have given - Again
God bless & keep you and
yrs - Tell yr co laborers to press
the battle - I wish I could hear
yr first sermon in Spanish
Good bye - The God of grace
Keep you & give success to yr work
in Christ C. C. Chaplin

What you do, about it - let or have / 2
I would you have heard from me



H North

Jan 26th 1883

Dear Mr Powell.

Your letter was
received, & forwarded me here,
but it is misplaced or lost, so
cannot answer it specially.

But I'll thank you for your
kindness & promptness both
in answering. I have greatly
improved since coming ^{here}, &
how could I fail to do so
with all my loving & devoted
relations, each & every one
which will in any
way contribute to my
comfort & happiness.

I never knew before the
absolute pleasure & com-
fort of having a large
number of relatives, each

viewing with the other in
administering to my well-
being. I think soon shall feel
as well as usual - and am
trying to bear my trouble
as heroically as possible
for it has always been my
maxim that it is more
christianlike and braver to
bear trouble with heroism
than attempt to get rid
of it. I am keeping perfectly
quiet not even leaving any
papers except the 4th month
which see as one but over
my immediate family
through several have called
whom have known long
ago but I beg invariably
to be excused. So you see
how small I am to the
very last doing what I

think becomes a woman
who has ever been a faith-
ful wife, and altho you
may hear things reported
that I am doing this, that
or the other, giving out lines
or sentences to newspapers
&c &c &c - just remem-
ber will you that it
is not myself nor any
of my family. I suppose
my speech will not be
impaired by you. I
wrote Dr. Pitt one week ago
today hearing in a word-
about way that he was
having still more trouble
I have ascertained if he
need it or write me as soon
as you can. I really do not
think Mrs. Tillingh and
should use their pen as

readily and so fiercely as they
do - it seems to be they would
both feel ashamed to do so -
inasmuch as they are both
under every obligation to me
especially Al. her education
and all that she is, for
but for my energies in her
behalf she would not now
be able to pass as she does -
had quite a contest with
Mr Bith to get him to bring
her to N.Y. - I have ever been
unselfish with her & indeed
my in everything which she
will be compelled to admit.
Now don't you think we are
all three women - or
I have never done ought
against them personally -
I would to say the least
be more womanly to be
silent and let the husband
& wife settle their own

affair - I do not believe
 Mr. Bibb is familiar
 with this, or he would
 for the sake of what he
 is bound to admit the
 truth, that no man in
 all our past married life
 ever had a more patient
 or devoted wife - just for
 the ^{ask that to be quiet} past ^{all} & proudly
 say I have seen to him,
 Any way it is not becoming
 in a young lady to
 be mixing herself up in
 such things. What do you
 think of this? You can talk
 the matter over with him.
 I have written but two
 letters to Austin with
 the exception of those to my
 mother - they were to friends

Don't forget I could afford to pay for
one when you said
I have recovered
for 15 or 18 yrs - and
even then I hardly made
mention of my trouble
nothing printed. merely
expression my deep distress
&c &c - My family have
all written to B. kindly
in reply to his letters - May
I again ask - that you
do not mention nor let
any one see this letter - only
let B. if you think best -
I'm glad to know he
is, having such splendid
health, is weighing much
more from Al's letter to my
sister in law than when he went
to Mexico - I tell you one feels
like they are in God's country
here - for Americans with health
can't be content in Mexico.

Sincerely & Truly
H. Pith.

more carefully in this last passage for I don't
want to give him any offence - some danger there
may be

(7)

Now Mrs Pennell, if in a round a-
bout way you can find out
that Mr Pitt has given his
full sanction & consent & de-
sires the two ladies contin-
ued to continue the use of the
instrument mightier than
the sword" against me
don't then say a word to him,
but it would be far better
for him as the husband
and the one if any injured
to cut me down with one
mighty stroke than have
two thoughtless indiscri-
minate persons as they are
take up the cudgel & come
to the front. Alas, I am
still the lawful legal
wife of Mr Pitt, & don't
you know by all pro-
fessing me. She likewise

hurts herself. or my niece
have any skin flesh or blood
in her being, or if she succeeds
in getting me & you a thing
she is not able to do. of
course she is likewise injured.
So it seems to me only a
fair plain proposition
that self preservation is
to be looked after closely.
I am determined not to lose
one inch of my social status
or I really believe, altho' it is
not in human probability that
I shall ever see Mr B again.
yet I make me bold to say
in his heart he does not
desire this either. Please speak
with me plainly at the same
time kindly (I want pleasant
conversing talk & no lectures
I have committed no crime.
So often think of those lines "Good
moves in a mysterious way
here to perform" - perhaps at last some
good may get some of all this write me at once

(9)
I knew he would not answer
my letter - but my distress was
so great - could not hold still.
Will you please ask Mr Bith -
if he has written letters with
contents of trial everything
detrimental to me - or if he
has given permission for any
one else to do so - You asked
me or rather said in your
letter that "you thought - Mr
Bith had heard I carried
away a photograph of Mr
Gray" - I am willing to testi-
fy before my God in heaven
that I have if not - I had
that with others in the
parlor I did not gather
up those things myself - don't
even recollect who took them
to my room - but there
were in the parlor pictures
of Mr Andrews of Austin
which we took to Mexico - Call -

thinking in my ⁽¹⁰⁾ never ^{rather} ^{excited} ^{of course} ^{too}
I have not even then
have no idea what became
of them - As to Mr Gray's
account he had been there he
lacked \$2 of paying for two months
from 2nd Oct to 2nd Dec - and
then from 2nd Dec till 14th Dec
I left on 15th & they moved
him while we were all in
the parlor & gave no others. Mr
Pilson asked me what Mr
Gray owed - I was so excited
or suffering so acutely could
not give him any definite idea
I remember saying to him though
that Mr Gray had consumed
so little of what I brought - that
I really did not feel that I
knew what to charge him if
anything - But tell my husband
to do first as he likes - Those words
ring in my ear the last he said to me
the acknowledgment of this vote
clears me - or gives you are out of this
leading me to believe he would make
it easier - or give me an exoneration
when all was over

(11)

that our charges had been
made against me - & I
do not know - look a
little to my interest - & other
in my first place all your
care - & please let him to
say to you he will not talk
himself - or give permission
to any one else - it is hard
on a poor weak woman -
shall go to Valley Forge -
probably in two weeks -
all my brothers family
have been sick - myself
the same old sick - I am
crying all the time - &
any week or two more.
What a blessing should
God call me away from
these troubles which are

so much for me to bear -
or seem to increase daily.
I read & pray continually
and never forget to
pay the most for the one
I have loved too dearly.
He is in my thoughts in
every waking moment.

So he trying to get a divorce
in this trial? I want me
to have a respectable sep-
aration if he wants one -
I don't believe in them -

Whatever you do - don't let
Mrs R. ^{or} ~~see~~ ^{see} or read
this or any other letter
I send you - Let Mr B if
you wish, or he wishes, but
they are yours. Excuse the
great length - If possible
write me at once - tell me
how Mr B is in health. With much
estimation and your friend
A. C. Birk



Independence, Jan 30th
1883.

Dear Bro Powell,

Your postal received,
you & yours are often the uppermost
thought in our minds & hearts.

We watch for your letters in the
Herald, and the last causes some
anxiety, not that we fear any
thing very serious, but the
annoyance must interfere with
temper & worship. Surely
the authorities will protect
you. Gen Hawthorne has started
out to raise money to buy
you an Organ. I suppose
that when the S. B. Convention
meets in Waco that plans
will be devised to build a
Church in Saltillo.

To build a house to meet the demand of place will require the united effort of the States of the whole South,

I send by this mail a copy of the Heather Helper. Please write an Article for the next issue. Ask Miss Mayberry to write a Letter also. I wish that you could give us an accurate report of the Progreso School.

Sixteen workmen are pushing the work on the Mansard Roof of B. M. fine Theologues are inside her walls, all young men of more than ordinary promise. Prof. Brown has 75 music pupils at the College, at least two

Young Ladies at the College have given their names to Gen Hawthorne desiring to become Foreign Missionaries. The Trustees of Baylan College are making earnest efforts to raise an endowment. We need increased means, to enlarge the dining hall & pay salary of a teacher in Natural Sciences.

If some of our rich Baptists were as generous as our mutual friend Sister Graves all these demands would soon be satisfied.

Daughter & the babies with us are enjoying them immensely. Give love to Sister P. & Miss Mayberry. I hope to meet her at some time in the future.

The Davis & Daughter send
Love. God bless you

Your sister

H. B. Davis,

W. H. Dodson,
Pastor
First Baptist Church.

San Antonio, Texas, Feb 2nd 1883.

Dear Bro Powell

Your card in
hands several days ago. I
have also read yours to Bro
Emmitt concerning Womans
conduct. I am so deeply
grieved I hardly know how
to write. He has practised
such deception & hypocrisy
that I have completely lost con-
fidence, untill I got your
card I supposed him in
Mexico. When he returned
to San Antonio I was quite
sick and did not see him
only as he came to my
house, and he came every
day or so up to the 1st of July

He represented to me not only
a willingness but great anx-
iety on the prospect of returning
to Mexico and seemed to an-
ticipate great pleasure in his
future work, he came to
see me on the night of the 14th
of Jan and in presence of
my family said he had his
trunks all packed & ready to
start & wanted that I should
go over to see him off, not
hearing well I of course declined
before having I paid to him
the last amount of money
you sent for him, ^{& supposed him gone.} Until
Bro Bennett said to me some
2 weeks after "Worren is here
still" And I said "well
what next?" don't we have
some rough places in
our Christian experiences.

W. H. Dodson,
 Pastor
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"Oh who is sufficient - for these things," I suppose women will be excluded from the church at our next - regular church meeting. We are doing all we can to get - your money & will get it - if possible. And get - security from it - is lost - he promises to pay but - keeps none of his promises. I am so sorry so sorry Warren has acted in such manner.

I wish I could see you have much to talk with you about. Can't you make us a visit - ? we are so anxious to see you. You & yours have an interest - in all

our prayers both in the
family & church. God bless
you in your work.

I suppose you will be
over in May if not sooner.
We will then talk over
our "Eastern Pilgrimage", and
arrange preliminaries.

Let me hear from you
kind regards to your
good family. With an
earnest prayer that God
will abundantly bless your
labors & with assurances
of highest esteem and
affection I am as ever
your bro in Christ.
W. H. Doosan

left one hour
at 11.15
Feb 12 1863

At North

Feb 12 1863

Rev H. D. Powell.

Dear Sir,

I heard the other
day you were in L. and
I tried my very best to get
a telegram to you so that
might induce you by my
paying your expenses to come
here to see me. But it was
all in vain, oh if you had
only let me know you were
coming I should have been
so thankful - for there are a
thousand things I wanted
to say personally which am
afraid to say by post in person.
I am just as sick as miseries
as can be - a little better than
when I arrived at Valley Mills

But, I know you or others
would give me your heart
felt sympathy to see my
miserable condition. My
letter of the 24th was
in route nearly three weeks
just before my sister-in-law
came west to Austin - &
in the haste of packing
or helping her off, her
letter was misplaced &
I could not answer any
questions. I wrote you more
than two weeks ago - but
as you were not I suppose
you did not receive it. But
as Mrs. Powell was
well & anxious me at once.
I wrote Dr. D. I was so
miserable on hearing in-
cidental that he was in
rail - although I just knew

it was not true, still as great
were my emotions that I sat
right down wrote him saying
if there was "anything whatever"
that I could do for him I should
at once do so - & in reference
to money I felt - & would have
sent every dollar possible & gone
there in disguise & stand sentinel
just to have helped him - you
don't know the number of times
I have wept bitterly over & about
him. He has been the one idol
of my life - I worshipped him &
he could tell you that I have
often kissed his feet. But as
I have often told my husband
he did not & could not love
me & was such fearful laughing
to me - in his quiet moments.
When he manifested some affec-
tion for me - he would ask

how much I loved him - this is
within the past four years - I would
say - when you are kind to me
I love you, but how can I
have a heart to love anything
or any body when you talk or do
such or such things. Well! I
want to tell you right here
my kind friend - He is the
only human I ever loved
except such as relatives - & I
believe right now he will tell
you so, up to the last hour
I have the great comfort that
I was never remiss in the ~~the~~
smallest thing which would
render him comfortable - &
not even a thought or in-
tention to do otherwise. You
stated in your letter that
you were sure he would
appreciate a letter from me
well I wrote within two days
after your ^{letter} came. A month ago

and still no reply - he will never
write me - & the influences
about him are of such a
nature he will never relent
at those times when his heart
is moved & is tender toward
me, some of the influences
go to make & stop it. But
as others could not be made
so happy over anything & the
three persons in the
house with him - & he can't
have a chance to recall a single
happy or kindly deed of mine.
I have heard lately that
Mr. Bith is, if anything more
bitter against me than at
first - that he talks to every
American who comes along
and is most bitter against
me. But you remember you
told me in your letter that
he spoke in the kindest

terms of me. What was wrought
the change - besides is it fair -
you said in your letter -
"and shall I speak ill of him
or be my husband" - I refer
the same to you - I have
been perfectly quiet since
here with my family - my
reason for coming here was
that having rec^d the letter
from Allet which was one
insult - from beginning to end
I was excited both self & sister.
stating something about Deposi-
tion or requisition - & though
ill in bed the whole world
shut around. But I came here
to have the protection of my
brothers - the first word Bro
A. said was - well they'll
get deposition nor requisition
& I would have gone to the

ends of the earth rather than have
a word to say which should harm
my darling ^{more than the reason}
I stayed that I might tell my
husband all I knew - and
felt it was best - though pain-
ful & I did not know what
might be done - against me
now know Mrs Powell - Miss
David had committed a
terrible crime - & was after-
wards one of God's chosen -
I am nothing with a feeling
of sin - nor with the intent
to the smallest degree of
oppositeness to God knows
this - Oh my husband my
husband - would you had
even one person near you
to lead you in the path
of tenderness & kindness
towards the wife who has
served you but too well.
Mr Powell you are the only
one in all that city who can

say or write any one word
in my behalf. I want his
feelings softened toward
me - and after his trial is
over before he talks with
any other person just ask
him to come to my sisters
at Valley Mills, where I shall
go in about two weeks - there
I will talk over the whole
dispassionately and he shall
have a divorce if he wishes -
But implore him for my
sake - for all I have been
to his poor old mother & father
& his sister get him to prom-
ise now he will do this
much just for the sakes of
the "Poor Cyne", if we are
to live peacefully separate
I only ask an honorable
discharge, not to evil or
say such unkind things of
me - my heart is broken &
I am a dead woman to all

Mr Powell. anything on the way of business
that you would be willing to do - make him so
pleased with you with it - I must take the trouble

Change -

At North.

March 4th 1883.

Dear Mr Powell -

I was unable to an-
swer your letter last week - and as
am somewhat better now - will
attempt to write, altho' my sister
wrote in lieu of myself. Writing
has from the first been one of the
most difficult tasks for me - my
nervousness would increase from
the first line. You again ask
me to write for Bibb - trust you'll
believe me when I state sometimes
are the times have written him
real loving & sweet letters, but
would shed by putting them behind
the fire, for there was a something
within which told me - he would
either return them, or if he
answered it would be in so
bitter a mood it would surely

kill me, am not now, nor do I ever
expect to be free from this intense
strain of mental excitement and
nervousness which before I never
knew I possessed, is to be one of my
future companions, never to forsake
me. With the exception of the one
which I sent written about the
19th Jan. have not sent any
letter to Mr. Bith. I cannot bear
any rebukes or approaches written
about me in the future - or what
am I to do? By the closest nurs-
ing and attention, and most gentle
administration of my dear relatives
only have I been able to live.

Have gone down in weight from
136 lbs. to 112 - and I just
cant bear anything. However
kind friends I shall write in
obedience to your wishes shall
write this morning a short letter

and before you ever let him read
it, tell him that you are the
custodian, in no case must he
take it - for some one else will get
it, or hear of it, and also that
if he does not answer it in
exactly the same way as mine
is written & expressed - just
to leave it alone - for harsh
words & bitter approaches will
kill me, & for the sake of all
my family who are as solitary
about me must try to live.

By some sort of intuition &
nothing else - I have an idea
that the letter I wrote you from
Valley Mills when I was suffering
all a woman could, may get
feel herself entirely innocent -
of those dreadful things - that the
contents not through yourself
were disseminated throughout

Saltillo & derided and made
merry over by those who should
have been ashamed to have done
so. A few little items of business
with you which please tell to Mr. Lill
for I can't talk any business matters
with him what I shall write will
be of another nature, and I want
you to read it. But he can only
have it on above conditions &
most sacred promise not to mention
to any one, no matter who.

About the account of Mr. Gray's,
he paid in advance each
month - and do you think I
should by any manner of
means speak anything but the
truth - I never told either
Mr. Carothers or Mr. B. that he
had never paid but \$20 - he
paid \$20 gold on entrance - that
is came to our house on 2nd ^{Oct} &
on 3rd paid \$20 - Mr. Plummer -
that sold the money or bought

one a bolt of coarse brown domestic
he realized \$22.40 for the \$20 - then
on 2nd Nov he paid me \$30 - making
\$52.40 lacking \$8 of having paid
for two mo's board. I put it in
Mr Bilbo's trunk & told him of it -
on our 1st dec. - Mr B wanted to
ask Mr Gray for his board
money & told him once if not
twice that it was not yet due
& assured him as best I could
that there was only the \$8 coming
to me - & if Mr G. stayed another
month no doubt he would
settle just as he had done
previously. ^{in advance} In all the excitement
before & since he has forgotten -
pray tell me good Mr Powell
what possible object or aim
could I have in stating false-
ly as to my one's indebtedness
Why I should have been glad
if he had had two times or
much coming to him - & so you

think for one moment that I could be so low down so devoid of principles as to endeavor to shield Mr May or Mr anybody else in an honest debt. Surely not. Dr Brothers certificate to the contrary could not make an inductive for me to state that it was \$25 instead of \$52.40 I furnished no medicines whatever in the other items over all - To the truth I must adhere if I have to die for it. Another thing - no my sister or sister in law will testify - not a single statement of any kind to news papers for have seen no one - I would have died rather than put in a line in error detrimental to my husband - and if he has suffered mortification over what they

have had to say - what for surely I could do for any one else I think has been my sufferings. Every word & line has nearly killed me - & had I known when I left Mexico what I do now - there never would have been a line published - by any one - so they are liable to heavy damages - and I should have telegraphed to all parts & stopped them. Another thing - some one has told Dr B. that I had been furnishing money to prosecute him - how preposterous the idea - when I came away like any other faithful wife to keep from saying a word which would hurt him - then too what money I have is so arranged as to make it impossible for me to command - & I would have

sent it to Dr B if to any one
furthermore - you all cant
conceive how I have suffered
how desperately ill I have been
such a thought has never once
entered my mind. I'd say it -
and with womanly & wisely
pride - that I'd say any one
to say I have not done any
or everything any true woman
could have done - even the few letters
have written - have refrained from
any mention more than was neces-
sary in expressing how I suffered &c.
Those persons who are Dr B's most
intimate friends - keep him stirred up
by being excited visitors to it all -
I have done nothing but keep quiet
& try to live - most of the time unable
to sit up - have seen scarcely the care
of the Doc ever since coming here the
least thing excites my pulse & makes
my tongue so white & can be - I
now must close - write me very soon
Be sure Mr Drwell - to inform me if Dr
B is in need of money - am just as
willing as ever to help him if he needs
it - if he does - you please telegraph me -
in four days he will have it - do
not keep Dr quiet & composed - I hope
all will be over soon - & he will then
think of his faithful absent wife - sincerely
H. B. 1862

W. H. Dodson,
Pastor
First Baptist Church.

San Antonio, Texas. March 7th 1883.

Dear Bro. Paine

Your cord received
some time ago, glad to hear
from you & the loved ones
& that your work is prospering
since you were here one time
some sickness in your
family, yours has been
very sick though well now,
I am some what - under
the weather myself. I have
just enjoyed a pleasant visit
from Dr. James of Va
preached for that Sabbath.
Also Dr. Ford made us a
visit & did some good
preaching, Bro R. High
was married a few days.

ago to Miss Kate Melvington
And we is quite happy
Our church is still growing
& we are getting some
good material,

We have had some
good weather since you
were in town. But it
is raining again & we
are expecting another severe
winter. The past winter
has greatly discouraged me
and made desire a more
sunny climate. Let me
hear from you. - regards
to your good family
God bless you & yours.

Devotionally & affectionately
Yours in the work
W. L. Dodson

Dallas, Mich 7/8/82
Dear Bro: Glad to hear from
you, In regard to North
Texas Supporting you in
Mexico, I believe the brethren
with a proper understand-
ing would do their duty.

I would be glad to see
you and have a general
talk. I am glad the Com-
munion and Genl Assocn
work in harmony and
do not seem to desire to
encroach upon each
others territory. If
men would and with
design - I am posted.
And I am sorry a few
in the Genl Assocn
territory want to sell
out. They will never.

I would be glad for
North Texas to be

Buckner Baptist Orphans' Home.

The Orphans' Home, for which assistance is herewith solicited, is controlled by a Board of Directors appointed by the Deacons' Convention of the Baptist General Association of Texas, and is operating under a charter granted by the State. It is State-wide and undenominational in receiving and providing for children. There are now in the Home children from the several religious denominations, and some whose parents belonged to no church. No dependent orphan child can be denied the benefits of the "Home" because of the religion or non-religion of its parents.

The "Home" is for the present supported altogether by voluntary contributions, though it is the purpose to make it self-sustaining, or as nearly so as can be, and as soon as possible. At least a partial endowment may be secured by the sale of donated lands, some having been already given in different counties, and other similar gifts are solicited. Money may also be given for the same purpose.

Considerable assistance in current expenses will soon be derived from the cultivation of the Home Farm, for which there has already been a purchase of 127 acres of rich black land, about seven miles east of Dallas, near the first station on the Texas and Pacific Railroad.

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Every Baptist, every lover of Jesus, and every benevolent citizen, is appealed to for assistance; but it is desired that no one give who does not esteem it a pleasant duty. Everything given is most gratefully received and properly receipted for within reasonable time after its reception. The express companies are making no charge for articles sent in their care. What will you give at this time?

Very respectfully,

R. C. BUCKNER,
Superintendent of Collections,

DALLAS, TEXAS.

thoroughly worked
up on the S. Question -
We have an excellent
S. Convention but
need the available and
suitable man.

A prominent Northern
Brethren proposes to write
up the Northern American
series. If he should not I
would be glad for you to.
Please send me doing
how if you go -

My wife is but little out
of bed now for months
Brother's health is poor

With send love
Yours Bro

P. B. Buckley



Rev. W. D. Powell.

Saltillo. Mex.

Dear Sir:

I came up from Monterrey last evening, and on arriving was handed a letter of introduction to Rev. Dr. Bright of Guadalupe, a missionary from this city. He is travelling over the republic delivering a couple of lectures on the Tabernacle, and asked permission to deliver them in our church. He comes with strong recommendations as to subject-matters of his lectures, and consent has been given him to deliver them today - one this morning at 9.30, the other this evening at 7.30. He is anxious that all the Evangelical denominations shall meet together as he will not have another opportunity of delivering this discourse.

We therefore extend a most cordial invitation to yourself & congregation to meet with us at places & hours indicated. Should say that his lectures are illustrated.

Very truly yours
Isaac Boyce.

OFFICE OF

THE TEXAS BAPTIST,

Dallas, Texas, March 28/1883

Dear Brother Pawell

We have just received from Eld M. V. Smith \$5.00 to be placed to your credit. Thanks. What account must we credit, as brother Smith did not specify? Postal Card me. I am so much relieved by your last reports. I have felt that you were in a perilous situation. But God is certainly with you. I often think of you and pray for you. God has truly blessed you in casting you lot as it is. Blessed are ye when men revile you

and persecute you and say
all manner of evil against
you falsely for Christ's sake.
And my Brother I feel that you
can rejoice and be exceeding
glad for great will be your
reward in heaven. I would
feel more consecrated and
more determined if I were
spit upon ~~for white~~ preaching
Christ - is it - not a blessing
to be allowed to receive the same
kind of persecution as our precious
Lord received.

While you are in your
great and growing work can
you not remember me occas-
sionally at a throne of grace?
I am happy that you are
telling those people of Christ's
freedom. When you see Bro
Phoenix remember me to him.
God bless you all in the
service of Jesus. We are
at your service in everything
in which we can lend a help-
ing hand. Your Bro A. F. Beddo.

Rev Wm J. Powell
San Antonio Mexico

My dear Sir - I
deferred answering your
letter until our Monthly
Meeting the first Tuesday
in April when I wished
all to hear your touching
appeal, or the people
among whom you

Labbe. "So near and yet
so far from the gospel
of Christ". I am happy
to be the bearer of good
news. which I know will
cheer and encourage
your heart. Our Society
will undertake the can-
-dication of the young lady
to whom you refer
"Practical Miracles" for

one year - We will send
the money through the
Southern Branch by in-
statement. Please write
me when & how it will
meet your convenience.
The Rev. Wm. Carey Crane
of Baylor University is
my husband's brother.
It was like him to offer
you such practical

Aid in your missionary
work as the preparation
of young men for the
Ministry -

With kindest regards
and sympathy in your
work for the Master

I remain very truly
Yours Wm A. F. Crane

April 4th 1863

235. Hamilton Street
Baltimore Md

Salado Texas

4-18-1883

Rev. W. D. Powell.

Saltillo

Dear Brother.

I have just read your and sister Powells letters in Foreign Journal, which have inspired me with greater zeal for the work in Mexico. I've been thinking recently of becoming a Foreign Missionary, so will write and tell you all about it, asking especially for your advice. — For some time I had prayed that the way might be opened in which I could do something for the Master. But never spoken of it to any one. A few weeks ago

Bro Hawthorne came to see me about going to Mexico thinking I was the one who had written to you on the subject when it was sister Sallie. Feeling that perhaps the Lord was in answer to my prayer opening the way for me, I tried to consider it prayerfully, and am yet considering it.

With the present lights before me it seems that the Lord is opening the way for me in Mexico, though I sometimes have serious doubts about it and think perhaps I had better remain among "my own people". Since reading your letter my desire to go is ~~stronger~~ stronger. The more I think and read and pray about Mexico the greater is my

desire to go. Perhaps Bro H- has written to you something of our conversation on the subject.

Not fully convinced what my duty is, I hesitate to act. Thought I would write you my feelings and get your advice and counsel. I want to know that it is my duty, and then go ahead.

Your sister

Addie Barton

Later

Your letter just received, Pray for one who is weak and trembling.

A B-

Tues. May 8th 1863

Rev. R. D. Pomeroy

Dear Sir.

I wrote soon
after receiving your letter from
some weeks ago - announcing
- the decision of the Ladies
of "Woman's Mission to
Woman" - to undertake
the support of the young
Ladies of whom you wrote

["Pancheta Mails"] for one
year - at the rate of \$10.00
per month. The money to
be sent to you through the
Southern Branch - as required
- I have received no
answer - and would ask
that you would be so
kind as to answer in due
- haste - to our appreciation

we are very much aided
by knowing - and being
instructed in the right
use of the money -

Hoping to hear from
you I am ever

Very truly yours

Mrs A. Taber Evans

235. Hamilton Ave
Baltimore Md

At Bristol May 12th 1883

Mrs Powell

My dear Sir -

I have concluded to
write my dear little friend
Pompasika - & ask you to take
this little token of my esteem
& affection to her for me - &
impress upon her to write
me at once & all answers in
future promptly. Letters con-
sole & comfort me greatly
& from no one more than
from her. Mr Powell never
doubt you forget or omit -
to send me those letters
each & all. You are respon-
sible to me for them & I
look to you as a man
of God to protect me. I
want the one I wrote Mr
Burr - for you know I

I mentioned especially that
you were the custodian -
I want not a line nor a
trace left - You be kind
enough also to send me
those few lines I wrote you
in 1840 - on yellow paper.
Don't fail me in any of
these things - if you do
shall never on earth
have the least confidence
in anything you say or
do - Please see that Miss
Goslar gets my hat -
She was good to me to
the last - also her brother
- she sent me the nice
tulce by Mr. M. M. Grogan
Jan 5th - Let me hear
from you - & remember me

me kindly to all who inquire
after me - Mr. Thompson & family
included, I intend to write him
before long - Don't fail me
again about those letters
they must come. With sincere
& kind regards, am
Yours friend -
Samuel A. Smith.

send me the yellow paper
from 1840 before leaving -

Breedlove & Ewing,

Attorneys

Brenham, Texas, July 5, 1887.

Dear Bro Powell:-

Your letter was recd,
enclosing the note. I put it in the
mail & now hear for you amt. of
some prin. & int. \$673⁶⁵/₁₀₀

(Six hundred seventy three & ⁶⁵/₁₀₀ dollars)

What shall I do with it? I ex-
pect Walling would be willing to re-
ceive it - for tent, & ex. note. - Still,
I have not asked him. I expect to
sell your house this Fall, & have
more doing in the other day.

Very truly Yrs.,

C. R. Breedlove.

P.S.

Give my tenderest regards to Sister
Groves & your family.

I need not send word to Sister Groves
that we miss her here. She knows it.

We are not selfish; but, we will be
glad when she comes back.

C. R. B.

La Fayette Ga - July 21-83.

Rev. W. B. Powell
Saults, Mexico -

Dear Brother:

I recd. your letter some
time ago. Was glad, indeed,
to hear from you.

I am still strong in the
notion of going to Mexico.

I think & pray over it much.

I recently sent in my appli-
cation to the Board. Have not
as yet, heard from them. I am
of the opinion that the North Ga.
Baptists will assume my
support. At a Sunday School
Convention of the Coosa Assn.
some weeks ago, a collection
was taken for me provided

2-

I received the appointment. The
Coda Association meets with
one of my Churches Thursday
before the second Sabbath of
next month. The matter will
be brought before that body.
I ^{am} of the opinion the Ass. will
pledge 3 or four hundred dollars
towards my support. The mid-
dle Cherokee & ^{the} Cane Spring
I think will agree to do
something in the matter. The
Baptists of North Ga.
will raise the salary. If I am
called to go to Mexico to preach
the gospel the salary will
be raised some way or at
least this is my opinion -
I have made the matter one
of prayer. I am still praying
over it. I still feel that I

3-

ought to go. I have a strong
desire to go. Souls are precious.
The gospel only can save. There-
fore I desire to preach it to all
with whom I come in contact.
But my heart is set on Mex-
ico. There I want to go to
consecrate my life my talents
& my all for the 'good of'
Souls - for the promotion of
God's Cause. God grant that
the way may be opened -
I am not a graduate of
any college - lacked 2 years
of graduating. But since I
quit school have been stud-
ying & teaching. I have been
teaching 4 years in succession
& preaching. I think now by
some study on my part I
could teach the full college

Cause - I cannot get off to Mexico until next fall - possibly Jan - I must go then -

1. Will we go to Saltillo at first?
2. Don't you think that \$900, any way, should be paid the first year? It will cost us about 7500 to get to Mexico - The freight will be quite an item &c - There will be some other matters &c -

3. Should we not purchase clothing enough for a year, anyway?
4. Could you not send me a book or two, from which I could learn something with regard to the Mexican tongue? Hope you will send me the books if you have them - Will pay you

PIANOS,

CHICKERING,

FISCHER,

ARION,

STEINWAY.

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San Antonio, Texas, Aug. 8th. 1883

Dear Bro. Powell:

Your P. C. received, and the bundle of papers, very little of which I can read. It seems to be a monthly - I thought it a weekly.

As a matter of business the House does not feel inclined to take an ad. for 12 mos. ^{absolutely}, but would like to take a page and pay for it according to the time the ad. remained in the paper with the privilege of the \$40. dollar rate, if it should remain a year. Of course would expect to pay something ~~less~~ more than a mere proportion of that amt. - say \$3.50 per month, or thereabouts. What say you? Will get you ads. from our brethren and others if I can.

Yrs. res. E. C. Everett.

We are, I trust, about to have in fact
to some extent have had a genuine
revival in our Church. It began
on last Wednesday night by excluding
Bro. J. M. Hunt & Bro. F. M. Edwards
two prominent leaders of an agitation
which they professed to be in opposition
to the Church's decision on the subject
of retaining Bro. Dodson. It was con-
tinued on last Sunday morning by
the further exclusion of J. H. Martin
who had published in the Daily Ex-
press last Saturday morning a most
outrageous hit of falsehoods
and villainous insinuations a-
gainst myself, Bro. Dodson, lea-
ders of the Church, and the Church
as a whole. There is prospect of
a continuation of the like services
at our meeting to-morrow - Wednes-
day - evening. God give the Church
grace and boldness to attack
and demolish "spiritual wicked-
ness in high places".

Yrs, O. C. E.

Salary since May. 4 months salary is ^{due} there.
She has a large boy helping in the male
Department and a girl helping in the
female Department both of whom she
has promised to pay five dollars per month
each. She have received during the ~~Quarter~~ ^{Quarter}
\$17.50 from heads of families whose children
are attending school. I have not written
anything for the "Heraldo Mexicano" because I have
been since Aug. 18 very bad off with my eyes
and had to quit ~~stepping~~ ^{stepping} or writing I am now
some what better, and several articles commenced
which I will forward probably in time for
the November number. Enclosed is a list of
some school books will you try and get them
Send also by express to Tampazas identical.
Have you paid the \$50. to Dr. McMaster; \$30.
to bro. F. Lrevino and \$26.25 to Rev. S. A. Purdie, if
so deduct from my salary the amount that
is \$30. and \$26.25, is the \$50. come out of my last
quarter salary. And forward balance as above
requested also whatever you have determined
sending me of \$40. Entacio money, and the rest
money or such part of it as have directed.
Pay for the books and deduct from salary also.
And as to the 75 copies of Heraldos which I
promise to be responsible for I will send the
amt. as soon as I can collect, which I
will try to do in the incoming quarter.
I will be in Tampazas (D.V.) Wednesday
when I hope you will forward by express, if
not Thursday the 4 of Oct. Mr. S. S. Bantwell of
Kattula Texas is stopping here and sends
regards to you. Also an American Dr. S. S.
Poffter is living here now also, from Texas.
I was very sick some days ago, an attack
Dyspepsia, but I am near about all right now.
Mrs. K. also is little unwell, up and a going. We trust you
all are well. Receive our kindest Christian loves
W. H. T.

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Richmond, Va. October 15 1883

Rev. H. A. Tupper D.D.
Dear Doctor:

I am sorry
that other engagements make it necessary
for me to forego the pleasure of dining
with you to day.

If you have seen our
visitors from Mexico, please send me
word by Bearer if I shall have the
pleasure of driving with them tomor-
row morning, and at what hour, &
oblige

Yours Truly,
J. T. Ellyson

Lonsdale Ky

Oct 19. 1883

Dear Bro. Powell;

Have just
reached here, and send
back this line the first
moment -

Dr Griffith will give
you the names in
I about Phila. & the
rich people of N. Y. all
belong to Calvary & 5th
Ave. Churches. Dr Mac
Arthur & Amittage will
tell you who to go to.

Excuse haste & be-
lieve me

Yours very truly
A E Dickinson

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 J. W. Coleman, V. Pres't.
 Edward F. Swinney, Cashier.

Colorado, Texas, Dec 13th 1883

Esq. Cashier.

Mr W L Powell

Dear Sir & Bro

Yours 9th inst recd -
 I am glad to know that your
 confidence in the Mexico work
 remains unshaken and hope
 the Baptist cause may be
 strengthened there by the move
 so ably championed by your-
 self - What we do in Mexico
 should be done for the cause
 we represent, and any thing
 approaching ambition in the
 matter should be suppressed -

I must confess that I was
 a little inclined to emulation
 at the start myself - but
 after deliberating upon the matter
 and considering the great
 educational wants of our
 own beloved people of Texas

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Colorado, Texas,

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Esq. Cashier,

I find my mind has
Dear Sir, somewhat changed—
I visited Baylor University
and Female College since the
meeting at San Antonio and
I can't express my convictions
regarding this ancient seat
of learning—Our own
sons and daughters
flagrantly neglected, a
portion of the buildings in
a dilapidated condition and
others but half finished
no endowment what a
scene—

I was anxious to have
seen you—before I left—
San Antonio, and told
Le Pope—to tell you that
I had recanted from the
proposition I made you

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Esq. Cashier.

I hope this will not
Dear Sir. appear as a repudiation
on my part, but I ask you
to consider the circumstances
upon which this promise was
made, that is I did not have
time to consider so grave an
undertaking and after contrasting
the wants of Mexico with our
own wants I have come to
this conclusion — that I
will give you five hundred
dollars American money for
two years that is \$500⁰⁰
so soon as matters are
properly arranged and
\$500⁰⁰ more a year from
that time — I may go on
and give \$500⁰⁰ for several
successive years but will
only promise for two years
over

I will be at home
regularly till 1st Feb next

Yours very respectfully
A W Linn

P.S.

I make no claims to
the name of the Orphan House
You are at perfect liberty
so far as I am concerned
to call it what you see
your good judgment thinks best
and most appropriate.
AWL

Colorado National Bank

A. W. Dunn, Pres't.
J. W. Coleman, V. Pres't.
Edward F. Twinney, Cashier.

Colorado, Texas, Dec 29th 1883

Esq. Cashier.

Mr W L Powell

Dear Sir: & Bro

I herewith hand
check on New York for \$480⁰⁰
and I hope it may be the means
of accomplishing a great good
for the cause of Christianity —

Since I met you in Bell
County I feel entirely satisfied
of our ultimate success in
Mexico. I am sorry I can not
meet with the Board at
Brenham — I have been gone so
much that I find my presents
demanded here — I am not
sure that I will be able
to meet you at Saltillo on the
16th January — Should I fail
to meet you there my zeal will
remain the same — and I
will heartily cooperate with you

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Colorado, Texas, _____ 188

Esq. Cashier.

Dear Sir:

in the future upon any
plan or line of policy the
Board may inaugurate.

I would like so much to
meet Mr. Supper and talk with
him about our prospects in Mexico.

I know he will not lose
this opportunity that has been
so long coming to us - of
establishing Baptist principals in
Mexico. Wishing you a harmonious
and a meeting fraught with great
good - I am yours Respectfully
A. W. Dunn

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Colorado National Bank

A. W. Dunn, Pres't.
J. W. Coleman, V. Pres't.
Edward F. Swinney, Cashier.

Colorado, Texas, Dec 29th 1883

Esq. Cashier.

Mr. W. A. Powell

Dear Sir:

Mr Swinney our Cash-
tells me that we are loaned
up full and that it will be
a scratch if we can let
you have the money you spoke
to me about -

I think you and Bro
Breedlove can arrange the
matter there - And if my name
in connection with yours and
Bro Breedlove's will be any
inducement - you can count
on me to sign the note with
you - If you fail to raise
the money telegraph me -
Yours truly
A. W. Dunn

I want about the letter which,
of which Mr. B. in his letter to you
mentioned - and which I told you
was not to come from your house -
with most cordiality -

each & every one of the
originals of those letters -
Presume some one must
have intercepted the letter
to Mr. Coribor - please ask
him - Major Green as my
friend will send this to you
through Mr. Macomber the Am-
bassador in Saltillo. Those
letters have got to come -
it will save you trouble -
Don't imagine now that
I am angry - and that
I think you intended
to do me a wrong however
small - but you were
extremely indiscreet -
in a private correspond-
ence and in the face of
my earnest opposition -

Some one has imposed on
your credulity - Ascertain
about the copy or copies
and procure them also -
You are responsible for
them all - With kind
regards your friend -
Hammie C. Dill.

Rev H. D. Ryell
Saltillo
Mexico

2 doz. Sistema Métrico-decimal,
por D. José M.^a Cordero.

2 doz. Geometrias
por D. José M.^a Cordero

3 doz. Ontologías
por D. Miguel Lopez.

1 doz. Cartillos de Historia de
México por D. Manuel Rivera y Cantos.

1 copy of Compendio de la Historia
Universal por Lefevre.

2 copies of Catecismo de moral
Universal por D. Nicolás Pizarra Suarez



Waco University Texas
Jan 5. 1884

Dear Mr. S. Powell

My dear Brother

My Father Byrd and

I have concluded to come to your
opening in March or Feb provided
1st You will let us know precisely the
day of the opening & 2^d If our good
bro Flores can pay the 1st \$25. Coupon
and raise us \$200 besides

The whole amount for which Bro
Flores gave me his note (after a full
explanation of all the payments and
agreement interpreted by Bro Samuel)
is \$242.65. Bro Hornsby has just
brought us in a fine young man from
San Juan Sabinas. All well and doing

Yours
Answer soon

Yours Affectionately
Ophus L. Burleson

Lanphagos Jan. 12th, 1884

Dear Bro. Powell - after speaking
to you some weeks ago Saturday I have
went back to Prosser and await-
ed for Wednesday evening mail
to mail to Prosser, a week
Wednesday evening (a black day) hav-
ing to received the letter with
draft, which you say you sent
from Belton Bay, but I was
disappointed I have not recei-
ved it, and have been
disappointed till now. I needed the
funds, and have had to
come up my house furniture
at a sacrifice to get money
to live on and being my nee-
dary expenses. So I have
suggested to Boba Bunka on your
let why it will go to Prosser
Yuchtan first and come to
Prosser now. Bunka about 30 or
40 days after date. I don't
know if I will do in mean-
time. I am having a letter sent
to the place to signify
that I have been disappointed
when I will be sent
me. Even if I get the draft
in Prosser to get it in the mail

have to go to / or send to Eagle
Pass or Dore de Defas. or Monclova
or this place. I shall be here on
Wed Monday. I shall be here on
fly means then I shall
back home. I shall be here on
arrangements to be made for you and
the brethren to pay a night at
some near the depot and an
ambulance to carry you
to Progress for 2 or 3 dollars,
and from there I shall make
arrangements to get convey-
ance comfortably to the place for
the plan of the trip. I have also
seen them and they are all
and I think as the first of the
all would be the best of the
week and to pay for the first they
could to supply you with. If you
cant come do or write by Mon-
day or in person when you
and the brethren want me to meet
you all here. I would be happy
to do what I can for them and
then all visit my field and see it
wants. I write what the board has
decided upon paying state proce-
dure, and as probable that we shall get
any and so on. I shall be building for
and I shall be doing some more and will return

O. H. ELLIOTT,

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Salttillo -

San Luis Potosi, Mexico, January 30th 1884

W. L. Powell Esq

Dear Sir,

I believe the enclosed account is about the same as you have it, with the exception of J. F. Trovemo, map which you assumed and agreed to pay me \$11.⁰⁰ for the same - in your note to Mr. Adams, you have (by mistake undoubtedly) cr- yourself, with \$4. as commission on J. F. Trovemo's map - as the map was not paid for by him and your account was charged with ^{only} \$11.⁰⁰ there could be no commission on it unless I had charged you \$15 - instead of \$11.⁰⁰ Now about the San Juan ballidge map, I do not think you took that order, and consequently not entitled to any commission on it. However I am not disposed to quibble over a few dollars, and desire to do you justice. So long as we both think differently as to whom the commission belongs on that order, I am

Willing to leave it to Mr - Carothers and Mr - Adams.
If they decide that you are entitled to the commission
on that order - there will be \$900 more to your credit,
and if you will return what maps you have on hand
to day - there will be placed to your credit, and
I don't think that it will take Mr - Adams and Mr -
Carothers ten minutes to decide the San Juan
Colledge affair, as soon as that is done, whatever
the difference is in your favor will be paid
to Mr - Adams for you - in five minutes after
they decide on it. I hope this matter can be settled
to day - Mr - Adams seems to be so occupied at the
Hotel that it is difficult to get his time.
Besides Mr - Hughes has complained to me about taking
up Mr - Adams time. I desire that you return
all maps of mine you have on hand to day -
and I will receipt for the same -

yours Respectfully
O. H. Elliott

P. S. The map you delivered to Yano^c Esppinos to be paid for
1st February - was delivered by you - and if you believe him
O. K. you might as well assume the account \$11.00 if not please
get it, and return it with the rest.

Guy's Store Town Co. Texas.

Feb. 3, 1884.

Elder W. D. Powell D.D.

Saltillo.

Mexico.

Learning from the Texas Baptist something of your great and good work in the delightful state of Coahuila, I feel that I want to ask a favor of you which if granted I pray would be of advantage in assisting you in your noble efforts. I am a widow with a little girl just three years of age. I have an idea of going to Saltillo and establishing a literary school, as my lungs are weak I think the climate would prove beneficial, I do not speak Spanish but can with assistance soon

learn it. I have two (2) sisters
~~who will~~ go with me if necessary
one as teacher of music. the
other as assistant in literary
department and principle mathemat-
ic teacher. I have a few thousand
dollars and would be willing
to use it if necessary in building
a good school &c. I write you
because I know you would be a
more competent judge as to what
I might do in regard to teaching.
Please write to me soon, and give
me your idea and opinion as
to the matter. If you need any
testimonials as to who I am my
competency &c. please confer
with Doctor R. C. Burlison, Waco, Tex.
speaking of me as Miss Berta Lacey.
He has not perhaps heard of my mar-
riage. Elder W. T. Chase Guy's Store
Leon C. Texas knows me personally
as Mrs. Berta Calhoun.

I am satisfied you will get
satisfactory information from
them. I am also a Baptist and
will do all I can toward influ-
encing the natives.

I am,

Yours in Christ,
Mrs. Berta Calhoun.

Baylor University,

Independence, Texas, Feb 16th 1884

Dear Bro: Powell

I send a/c of Bro: Müller
His Board is charged to Education
Society on faith of pledge made
at San Antonio. One fourth, not yet paid.
He has had a small class in Spanish
(now 2 only). I worked faithfully. He
charges no extra sum for Modern
Languages, but if it is claimed, I
will pay it out of my pocket.
I have paid 10¢ to Monterey Church
in Cash, & taken up 95¢
of my pledge for Independence
Banco by paying to University your
pledge of 25¢ & 70¢ of Bro: Hawthorne's
pledge. 120¢ to University & 50¢ to Education
Society.

Bro: Müller is a very worthy young brother!
Recites well! Composes well, & is preaching
notable sermons to his associates say
He is rather timid, for a teacher.

of Dear Mustang boys

God grant you great success

Kind regards to yr family

Yours in Gospel bonds

Wm Carey Lane

Baylor University,

Independence, Texas, Feb 16th 1884

O. Müller

1883

In a/c. with Baylor University Dr.

Sept 1 st	To	1 English Grammar	\$ 1.00
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"	"	1 Humber's Geography	1.65
"	"	1 Hovey's Theology	2.50
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"	"	for blacking	1.25
"	"	1 Smith's Etymology	1.25
" 23 rd	"	Cash	1.00
"	"	Envelope Paper	..30
Nov 9 th	"	Cash for blacking	1.25
"	"	for shoes	2.50
" 16 th	"	" Appant	10.00
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" 29 th	"	1 Analysis of Bible	1.60
Feb 16 th	"	Incidentals for year	7.00

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Mission Board Georgia Baptist Convention,

J. H. DeVOTIE,

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Griffin, Ga., March 19th 1884

Rev H. H. Tucker, D.D.

Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Bro. —

With yourself, I think the opening in Mexico is the most brilliant ever made for our denomination, and I very much desire to forward the cause.

Representatives of the Foreign Board are not excluded from Georgia as you understand.

I am recognized as the agent of the Board acting through the pastors to obtain Foreign Mission funds.

Upon this plan we raise a much larger amount of money at ~~one~~ third of the expense.

Concerning the presentation of this interest by Bro. Powell to our people, we have been accustomed when new and

Mission Board Georgia Baptist Convention,

J. H. DeVOTIE,

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Griffin, Ga., 188

momentous interests demand publica-
tion and explanation to offer all the
facilities necessary to the fullest
understanding of the subject.

This is exemplified in the House
Building Dept. of the Home Board.

Rev. H. A. Turnally has visited churches
and associations in Georgia, making
addresses and taking collections, and
giving information about this new
measure.

I regard the field
as equally open to Bro. Powell, his
case being precisely like Turnally's
work.

Churches desiring to
hear him have only to invite him
to visit them. He would be
required to report the amount received
to be tabulated by the Georgia

J. H. DeVOTIE,

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Griffin, Ga., 188

Board. He can reach the
multitude of pastors met at the
Convention where he will have as
much time as he may be desirable.
I will be in Atlanta on the 20th
where I will be pleased to see you.

Yours affectionately,
J. H. DeVotie,
cor. secy. & Treas.

Per Amos.

P.S.

You know that collections are entirely under
the contrall of the churches.

J. H. D.

Bro. Powell - Don't lose
this letter - Keep it with
you -

H. H. Tucker

el Sello

REPÚBLICA MEXICANA.

Lineas Telegráficas

DEL GOBIERNO FEDERAL.



De Cincinnati
TELEGRAMA.

DEPOSITADO en Mexico el 18 de Abril de 1884
à las h. m. de la

RECIBIDO en Saltillo el 18 de id de 1884
à las h. m. de la tarde

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Rev H D Samell-

Can make hand-
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five dollars up to
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Baylor University,

Independence, Texas, May 3rd 1884

Dear Bro: Powell

I subscribed 10¢ to Winter
Church & paid the Cash to
Bro: M. Vestrup out of my
pocket. — I pledged \$100 for
Independence Church to build
Churches in Mexico. I have
paid 95¢ myself. I expect
to pay the other 5¢.

Has Bro: Burleson or Waco
University paid the 100¢ pledged
by them. — Does he send a pro-
give one half as much for
Mexico as Texas State Convention?
On these questions hang a question.
God bless you & your work
Sincerely in Christ
Wm Carey Lane



Greenwood 'Gw;

May 3d 1884

Mr Powell;

I sent you a letter
at the time I promised, and
also went to the Convention
to see you, but learned after
reaching Atlanta that ill-
ness had prevented your
being present. I regretted
it very much, for I was
anxious to talk over Mexico
with you again.

I feel quite certain that
it is my duty to go, ^{and} I am
willing to make any
sacrifice that God may
require of me.

Should the Board decide
to accept me, I can now go
with my whole soul in
the work.

Will you not write to me
as soon as this reaches you.

I would like to know if I must
be examined by the Foreign
Board. If so when, and could
it not be done by writing
as well as in person?

Would it not be better for
me to begin the study of the
languages before leaving home?

I will be very grateful to you
for any other information
that you think will be neces-
sary.

Mamma sends kind regards.

Very sincerely,

Lula Bowen,

Greensboro, Ga.,

May 6th, 1884.

Mr Powell;

Your kind letter is just received and I am so much obliged to you for writing. I regret very much that I cannot attend the Convention at Baltimore, but it is impossible for me to leave home just at present as I am in the schoolroom.

Will you not please see ^{for me} Dr Pupper, and apply for position of missionary and teacher to Mexico? I could write to him myself as you suggested, but would rather

for you to attend to it
for me. I am anxious
I know what the result
will be, so please let me
hear from you again as
soon as possible

I trust it is the Lord's will
that I should go to Mexico.

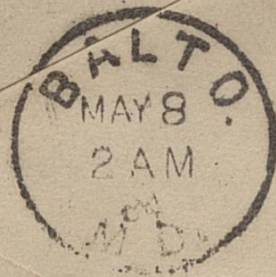
Mama sends kind
regards. I am glad to
know that your health
is better.

Sincerely

Lula Bowen.



Rev. W. D. Powell,
of Southern Baptist Convention,
Baltimore,
Md.



Dunker Hill, Ills

5-15-1884.

Dear Bro. Powell,

Just before reaching
St Louis, I concluded to accept
the invitation of Mr & Mrs
Davis to accompany them to
Dunker Hill on a visit to
a relative. We are having a
splendid resting spell, which
after our weary tramps over
the Northern cities, I am
fully prepared to appreciate.
Dunker Hill is a beauti-
ful - a delightful place - a
place for rest - mentally
and physically. Have been
indulging in "Tired Nature's
sweet restorer - balmy sleep"
to my hearts content.

on rather to the content of,
my wearied frame. Our
invariable rule is to
retire at 9 P.M. and rise
at 9 A.M. We are visiting
a sister-in-law of Mrs Davis
who lives all alone. and
we do pretty much as our
feelings dictate.

I shall never forget my
trip North. It has been
the most pleasant profitable
and instructive visit of my
life. I shall always be grate-
ful to you &c &c.

Presume you are at home
ere this. We leave tomorrow
Monday. Write me at home.

Your Sister

Addie Parson.



Rev. M. D. Powell

Burnet County
Burnet & Texas

Greensboro Ga June 18th 54

Dear Mr. Powell,

Your of 6th inst.
was received two weeks ago.
You had not written in so
long, that I thought you must
have left ^{the} city, and absorbed
in your work in Mexico, had
forgotten all about me.

I am so sorry that you have
been ill. Sickness in and of
itself is bad enough, but to
be sick and away from home,
is a thousandfold more.

I am so glad, though, to know
that you are better and trust
that God will soon restore
you to perfect health.

Brother, those who are unlearned forgive me if
I have thought of writing to you & have an opportunity.
I have written you & Dr. Puffer
for about the same time
that I wrote you last and the
Dr. replied, ^{to him} advising me to
begin the study of Spanish
at home, and said that he
had put Cousin's letter on
file and would remember
me when the appointments
were made.

Since reading your letter
I thought perhaps I had better
hear from you again
before writing to Dr. Puffer
^{myself} for the position, for I should
not like to apply and fail
to be appointed. My educa-
tion I think is sufficient
and with God's help and
in His strength, I believe I
could go to Mexico with my
whole heart and soul in the

work. You know what has
been in the way, and God
must know the struggle I have
had with my own heart, before
I could bring myself to say,
"It will be done." But that
is over. When you were here, I
could not see that it was my
duty to go to Mexico and I
am not sure of it now, but
I am sure of this one thing,
Mr. Powell, that if it is God's
will for me to go, I can go
willingly and cheerfully,
for Christ's sake. It has
troubled me a great deal
that I could not see my way
clear, and after thinking,
~~and~~ and praying over it,
I have done this, the only
thing I could do, I have
given myself, my own plans

and
could do your best good & be
able with the like of a good
great woman.
was promising to enjoy your
usefulness, & God! I have
asked Him to take me and
do with me as He thinks
best, that I am ready for
my life, my work & my
chooses for ever. I shall order
my books next week if poss-
ible and spend the summer
in preparing myself as
best I can in the language,
and I feel sure that if
God has a work for me to
do in Mexico, He will send
me; if it is not His will
that I should go there, I be-
lieve He will not let me
sin against His Holy name
by undertaking a ~~work~~
in my blindness and igno-
rance, a work, He did not
intend for me to do!

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Have I done right?

Whatever God may choose
for me I shall be satisfied
for He never makes mistakes.

After reading Dr. Phipps
letter to Cousin Charlie, I
did not think it would
be necessary to make any
further application, but
will do so if you think
best.

The reason I feared
I might not be appointed
is, that I could not send
a certificate as to my
physical qualification.

I would call my constitution
good, for while I am not
strong, still I am seldom

sick, — very seldom sick enough
to stop work — but my eyes
are inclined to be weak and
I am nearsighted (which
has been as great a source of
grief to me as Paul's "thorn in
the flesh" was to him) I have
regretted it all the more because
it is necessarily an obstacle in the
way of my usefulness.

Let me hear from you soon, and
please tell me if it will be
necessary to state the defect in
my eye, when I make application
to the Board. I do hope you
will soon be quite well again.

Mamma finds me in love to
you. Dr. Montgomery is at present
in Lagrange went down to
preach a Commencement sermon.

Your sincere friend

Lula Bowen

SALADO COLLEGE.

WM. A. BANKS, A. M., PRINCIPAL.

Salado, Texas, June 6th 1884

Dear Bro Powell.

To write to you is like shooting at a bird "on the wing" must aim somewhat in advance to hit. Am afraid your continual roaming will result in a dissatisfaction to settle when you get to Mexico. You real sorry you've been so sick. Hope you will stay long enough at the Wells to be benefited. Be sure to come and see us. if you get tired send ship a barrell of water and come to Salado and spend a while. will promise you plenty of rest and quietude.

If the water proves beneficial why not ship come to Salado.

Do ~~not~~ you wish about other
expenses referred to in your
letter and entertain no fear
as to its acceptance.

Don't fear you do not come by
Send \$20.00 due Mexican Missions.
When shall we look
for you.

Yours in christian love
Adair Barton.

Salado Texas

6-12-1884

Dear Bro. Powell,

Yours received
this afternoon. Sincerely
hope the effort exerted
in writing such a lengthy
letter as your last will
not be too great a
shock to your nervous
system.

Had a smallpox
scare this afternoon.
really was afraid I had
them myself. Discovered
a blister on my arm
and Ma immediately
said it was smallpox

contracted during my
stay North. Sent for
Brother - he came -
laughed at me and
pronounced it a
scratch.

Mrs Graves
will help you to while
away many a lonely
hour, dare say you will
improve more rapidly
during her stay with you.

Our well glad for you
that she is going.

Wonder if the Hills
wouldn't be good

for "smallpox"

Do you apprehend any
danger of smallpox in
Mexico? Was vaccinated
several years ago then
two or three times since

but it wouldn't take

A little son of Capt
Barber died last week
with lockjaw caused by
sticking a fishbone in
his foot.

Nothing new - Salada
is duller than the dullest
since school is out,
every one gone.

We will all be glad
to see you, guess you
had better come to
Belton and some of
us will meet you,
write us what day.

Am writing in the dark
and company is in
the parlor so Adie &
Adie Barton



Rev. H. D. Powell.

Hooten Hill
Robertson County.
Texas.

Buenos Ay Sep 22 / 84

Rev W. D. Powell }
Saltillo Mex- }

Dear Sir-

At the request of your father, Mr W. M. Powell, I have prepared and herewith enclose to you a transfer of one of the school sections purchased by you jointly; - he has contracted it to E. L. Alexander at the price of two Dollars per acre, less the amount that will be actually due on the ^{land} ~~place~~, principal, and interest at the time the deed is delivered to the purchaser. The amount so due, will be deducted from the \$1280, mentioned in the deed as the consideration.

You should acknowledge the deed before a U. S. Consul if possible, I presume there is one in your city. - After executing the instrument, you can return it to your father, who will then complete the transactions. He also instructed me to request you

to send him the receipt for the payment of the last installment of interest made by you; he states that this payment was made by you sometime last Spring-

It is necessary for you to join in this transfer, as the application to purchase was made in the names of both yourself and your father, and the records show an undivided interest to be in you.

Respectfully

J. G. Cook

P.S. Am sorry to hear of the severe illness of Mrs Powell

J. G. C.



Bertram Burnett Co Oct 4

Mr W P Powell

Dear Sir

business demands that I should drop you a few lines as I have not heard from you for over a year. The cattle have done bad a nuf they war run a way & din so much since I came her I concluded to sell them when I got a chance so I got a chance to sell a part of them 4 pieces to sell the most of them as soon as could, but the last part of the matter is I gave the money to Jon Garry at Lampas, to deposit ~~at~~ in the bank so he did. Soon after would the bank failed I deposited \$500 five hundred dollars ther for sof Refun as I thought it war safe, but I cant get enny

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Thing the banker has run
away. I left it there the 19 of July
he clos the 20 of July the propo
ware at first that he had a good
deal of property but he had sold
it other man claim it now I
have just came from there the
asume sale maby the estate
would pay 20 cent on the dollar
but did not know how long be
fore it would it was in soon
property he would have to sell
there was \$285-500 hundred &
Eighty five dollars comen to you
that is what I owe you on the
catel I have sold the catel are
gone & money too there is some
where between 80 & 85- hundred of
the catel left there is 6 dead in
Montgomery Co. the rest
are dead or stolen I can't find
twenty too hundred of this are in
Cris

This bank loss has ruin
me I don'te supas you would
like to lose any of it but I thought
I ware put in it in a safe
place. but I am willen to do
the best I can. I have the notes
& gantes in Wetherford & a vandy
lin on the place the face of the
notes are for \$600 nearly 2 years
intres on them the last note
is due January One note is dra
wn 10 per sent the other is 8
per sent the notes are some what
over \$700 now the notes are
in W. E. Tobels safe for safe
Keep this notes are my charge
to pay you if you will take
the notes & sell me the balanc
of the catel I will let you have
them the catel are gone doord
I will pay you all they are worth
you can write to any one to
see what they are worth

or I will give you what
they are worth in the Spring
or I will divide them in the
Spring & let you have a
part of my part to pay you
at just what I sold them
at that I took the money in
the bank as for making any
thing to pay for any thing
for I have lost my energy of
luck I will maybe make a
bale or ten this year. I have
rode thousand of miles looking
for the catel. if you conclude
to sell the catel I will pay for
half I find if I ever get any
of them if you want to know
any thing in reference to the
deposit write to John Gary at
Lampasas Springs or soon
he will let you know the bank
was Hargraves. The money is
gone I am not to blame for it.
would have suffered before I
would have spent all my

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to



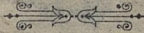
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G. B. DAVIS,

AGENT FOR ENDOWMENT,

414 Nolan Street.

San Antonio, Texas,

Oct 18th

1884

W J Powell

Dear Bro,

We have just returned from the Convention. "The Soldiers of the Cross" met in solid phalanx, to report the number of battles fought, and the grand victories achieved. A few gallant armoured heroes did not present themselves at Watahachie. We missed you, but we felt and knew that you were marching forward to do and dare in the name, and for the glory of the Great Commander. I could not raise the money to send your student to Greenville, because I was appointed to raise money to send John Maurea from our midst. He left here in time for the opening of the session. We hope that sister Powell, (God bless her) has fully recovered, and also that none of the rest may contract the disease. Dr Hackelt is with us here. We already felt the influence of his strong Godly character.

Our W. M. Union enjoyed its most enthusiastic session at Watahachie. a larger no. of societies reported than has even reported before. Bro G. W. Smith of Gonzales prepared before hand, and delivered an address that filled men

and women ^{would} increased zeal to work in the
Love's vineyard. Please send me a full statement
of all monies received for Madens Institute.
How much has Col. Darrow paid on his pledge?

Bro Chapin was at the Convention; But
approaching dissolution is written in every line of
his dear benevolent face. We wept as we looked
and saw what ravages disease had made on
his frame. He presided but with difficulty over
the Session of the Convention. Bro Hawthorne
was present. One eye has become useless, and
the other is very weak. He was sick three
days during the meeting and confined to his
room. We prayed that God would spare

these two, to us, for a time. & how can we
get along without them? Our Father knows
best. O for a submissive spirit.

We did ^{not} issue
the Educational and Missionary Journal for September
will begin publication during this month and
send you the paper.

I will not try to give you
the amount of the pledges ^{made at Weymouth} for the month of the coming
year. The minutes will be published sooner than last
year, and then you will get everything connected

Enough to say enlarged contributions were made.
Our missionaries at home and abroad were lifted
before the people and up to the "Great White Throne"
to awaken deeper interest in the hearts of the saints and
the blessing and protection of God our Father, unite by
return mail. God bless each and all of you your sister J. B. Davis.

Washington D.C.
Oct 17th 1884

Dear bro. Knobel.

Enclosed please
find a check of \$10.00 for our
Mexican beneficiary for the past
two months, Aug. & Sept. It would
have been forwarded sooner, but
I have been visiting from home
for some time. Hope however, it
may be more tho less acceptable
for its delay.

Very hastily & truly
Wm G. B. Allen
Washington D.C.

I have somewhat mixed my paper
but you can see the numbers.
m.

St. Stephens, S. C.
Nov. 23rd 1884.

Dear Will:-

Thank you kindly for your
letter. It has done me much
good in the bitter hours of
trial to think you remembered
me. I would have answered
your other letter but - well -
shall I say it? Yes, the gloom
was so dense about me that
I was striving to let in a
little sunshine by putting
my hands to the plow, and
endeavouring to immerse myself
in the troubles of a rented farm.

If I were with you &
could sit down and talk as
we have done in other days
I could tell you something of the

now for me. If I knew the right men to address I would write to see what could be done. I am willing to go any where & work any way if only I can work unmolested by "spiritual wickedness in high places". I have been called by some churches up near Greenville but that would not help me any.

Yes, my brother, Lizzie would have been glad to see you. She was as glad to hear from you as I was. We have told our little ones about your work & they as well as we are deeply interested in it. A few Sundays ago I told my people about it I felt rejoiced that they responded so liberally: and I intend wherever I go to plead the claims of Mexico upon our people. This is my duty 1st Dec. we

can ~~do~~ so much there now for
 the Master — the field is open
 2nd You are there & I feel a double
 interest in the work from that
 fact. I wish I could put my
 shoulder by your own & work
 for the salvation of the people
 myself. I would gladly do it.
 But alas! my hands are tied. Lizzie
 teaches a select school. I farm,
 & preach on Sunday, for a Support.
 We have only two children, Fleetwood
 8 years old — named for Fleet James
 & Jennie 6 — named for Mrs McKay.
 They both remember you & have asked
 about your family. Please tell me
 about your children when you write
 and all about your work. I assure
 you of my constant prayers for your
 success. It is a great work & my
 own heart throbs with sympathy for
 it. In your present struggles you
 have our warmest sympathies &

earnest prayers for protection from on high. In every hour of persecution may our God give you complete deliverance & triumph for his name. I am glad you had a pleasant meeting with Mrs Mary & Mrs E. in Gville.

My little son says tell you he expects to be a missionary some day & preach the gospel to the heathen. I am sure nothing would give his father & mother more real joy than to dedicate him to God as missionary to a foreign land. Write to me as soon as you can. I know yr. time taken up with your work & you haven't much to devote to as unworthy correspondent as I am but when you can spare a moment I will appreciate it & will answer at once. Lizzie joins me in much love to you & the children both beg to be remembered - May the Master be with you always - Hoping to hear soon from you I am as ever Yrs. Bro. in the Lord Jesus. M. L. Ball.

Monday Dec 3rd 1884

My dear Dr Power

Your letter of Nov 6th
was received and I waited
for the Monthly Meeting of
our Society before answering it

I was here yesterday and
as it would seem best with
a provisional response at
once, as \$9.58. was handed

in from the Young Ladies
Missionary Society of the Maine
Church. - Per the Secy especially
for work in Mexico. After
some brief consultation it

It was decided that the
Ladies Society would assume
the balance of the 120th Regiment
when they are thus assuming
the support of the young lady
for a year at least. They
wish the money to go to the
Southern road through our
Society "Roman's Mission to
Roman - I will send check
to Dr. Tupper by this mail
with the object specified

Please excuse the
delay in acknowledging
in your letter - I hope
that this opportunity will
not be lost to us as in the
case of Pan-chu-ta. You can
at once make arrangements
for the young lady - and the
young ladies Society here would
be glad through you to
enter into correspondence

with her. Thus increasing their
interest in the work.

I shall always be pleased
to hear from you - and of
the success of the fair and
charitable work - to which you
seem to have been specially
appointed in the Providence of God.

With kindest regards

Truly yours

Mrs A. J. Crane

235 Hamilton Square
Baltimore