

Rooms of the American Home Missionary Society,

BIBLE HOUSE, ASTOR PLACE,

New York, 16 March 1882

Rev. & Dear Brother,

Your Dr. Rept., of the 31st inst., reaches us this A. M., & we hasten to make remittance as you request. You ask that we acknowledge as received by this Society \$30.⁴⁵ which you also report as "contributed for" it this quarter on your field, but which, while retaining the same, you decline to have deducted from your salary-aid. Perhaps, we misunderstood you. But, if we are right in our interpretation of your letter, we do not see how we can rightfully do what you propose. That sum cannot be acknowledged as "receipt" unless it is "received" by the Society; & if "received", it must be voted out, on some grant, by the Ex. Com^{tee}, or it must still be formed in the treasury. Were the \$30.⁴⁵ to apply on your grant 'twould then be right for us to place it really among the "receipts" of the Soc., as is customary. If "contributed for the Society", as you say it was, you should do us to keep it, refusing to have it apply on the grant. Is not this so? You are formed, in that case, keeping what was given to another. But, very possibly, we do not quite catch the meaning of what you seem to say. Meantime I remit about the routine amt. for the quarter, according to the vote granting you \$350.⁰⁰ aid for the year. Hoping for an early explanation, we remain, my dear yours

A. M. Cross Secy