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Bro Lyman

I have to day
received your letter containing
the statement of the doings of
the Trustees - & also one from
Bro Atkinson to the same ef-
fect giving the resolutions
passed - I am very glad
of this determination un-
gave to investment & especially
that they did not wish me to
place the fund in the hands
of the Treasurer of the Col-
lege, which seems to Bro-
Atkinson not long since the
desirable way. I think I
should have rebelled against
such action - simply because
it would have been putting the

Money out from our Country.

There has been no loss
that I can find of \$300, as
I find from your former letter.

My figures agree very nearly
with yours - I have received
in payments & subscriptions at-
together since I have been here
\$17913.30. If all this were
counted I should have but
\$2000 more to get - but because
a part was obtained before the
\$2000 plan was adopted & partly
because there is so much of arrear-
age to be made up. I call it
\$10,000 - It is doubtful if
the Corp subscribers will let
me count here so much of pas-
sive receipts & pledges toward the
\$2000 - I hope to get
\$2000. clear & clear - If I do
not, we must borrow of the fund

ought to meet arrears -

I shall be compelled to use
in getting a comfortable house
all that is due me.

In order to get this clear
\$2000 - I shall be willing to
protract my stay a month or two -
& it may be well to use up what
our momentum I may have at the
close in NY, although I am
nearly to death with this Reclousie
life - I want to get settled
down to work again.

I feel the importance of giving
a definite period to my stay. And
yet from the nature of this case
I cannot. You cannot be sure
of seeing me before the 1st of Jan. -
I may make rapid progress here
& get through here in a month.

I have been married three
months but have hardly seen my
wife - I mention this that you

may know that I must be anxious to finish -

I have written for information on the above points - I hope to get an answer soon -

Would Mr Smith, Mr Wages & a half dozen others be willing to promise a certain amt to a physician, a regularly educated Christian man who would come & settle among us with a view to assisting in the department of Chemistry & Physiology in the Coll - I am willing to guarantee such a man for myself \$25 per year. he to charge himself with his services except that amount in value. It makes the inquiry with special reference to a young physician now in N.Y. a son of a Missionary to the Sandwich Islands - a man of fine talents & promise, who seems disposed to think seriously of locating among us - It would be easy to secure his coming by guaranteeing him

(I think he would be induced to
come by such an offer -)
a few hundred dollars -

It seems to me a rare
opportunity to get an accom-
plished physician - one who
will help us carry out our plans

It seems to me also that
on the whole it is best that
the ministers now belonging to
the group do the preaching - &
that the church-pay - (which ought
to be) go to support other teachers
us - (that is if you are willing
to appropriate the pay - that
may) rather than that another
a minister come - The reasons
are apparent to me - I wish
you would write me about it - note
that it would make any differ-
ence - for ministers are not to be
had -

Another point on which

I am anxious to hear is
in regard to a teacher in
the Academy. The recent
action of the Trustees relieves me
of part of the uncertainty. & yet
I do not know whether you
know of any teacher in or who
can be secured. ~~we~~ depend upon
my finding one. Please write
me if you think it best that I
engage one, if I can - In the
mean time, as I suppose that
a good teacher will be acceptable
& as the responsibility is placed
upon you & I. I will write in
my direction to find one, not
making any definite engagement un-
til I hear from you -

As for placing the Academy on
our shoulders. There seems no

better way at present - Next
you are - I think I shall de-
cline the responsibility as soon
as possible - Our reputation
will continually be dragged down
by it - We should confine our-
selves to College students - as it
appears to me - at the same time
in order to have Colly students,
we must have a good academy -
If we can find a good teacher
for the Academy - all difficulty
will be removed.

It will not be expedient
for me to return until I get an
answer to these questions. & do all
that can be done to get a teacher
- besides I have a plan for getting
books that will occupy a rack or
two - I have delayed writing for
a rack or two, hoping to be able

to fix the time of my return definitely,
but feel quite unable to do so.

If gentlemen here respond favorably
at once - I can get the residue
in a week - probably however it
will take a month or six weeks
here in Boston, & as much more
time elsewhere to complete my
work.

I occasionally feel a little
anxiety about my own affairs -

Are you able to make any con-
tract for that house? I shall not
rent. My wife will stay in
Portland, probably, until I can get
some place of my own for her. I
hope not to drive another nail in
my eye, that does not effect some-
thing. I have forgotten many
things about my affairs, that I should
have recorded somewhere, if I had
decided of so long absence. The state
of my acct with the Trustees - There were
arrangements - but how much I have
forgotten - My horse ? ? ?

If you can dispose of him -
do so - & I shall be much obliged.
Perhaps, you can sell him without
any special trouble, if not, let him
go - There was a lot of work of
mine to a man in the forks, for
which I left the door - & arranged
ed that the payment should go
to something - I left a memo-
randum with Mr. Ellis -

I wrote to Ben E - about
some matters connected with Mrs
Brown's estate - I hope they were
arranged by the Judge of Probate -

Please write me at once about
the M. D. plan - It would not be
advisable to have any public talk of
the plan I propose - especially if Dr
Cole is there - But I have supposed
that he was gone - also about the
teachers - I cannot possibly expect
to get back for 2 months - If any
prospect appears for a ^{well} ^{family} return I on

Things move very slowly here in
Boston - I see no prospect of any
large subscriptions. Still cannot
make up the amt in small ones -
I hoped to carry the rest by
sault, but fear it is to be by the
same means as the first.

There is no alternative that
I see but patience - I feel that
I am spending too long a fraction of
life - This way -

Before the rain comes I
wish the boat across my house
could be broken into the place -

I hope some one has taken
the contract to do what I wanted
done.

Very truly yours &c

C. H. March.

P.S. Give my regards to all friends -
Ask them any business to suit so that
a teacher could find accommodation
if he came & I enclose a draft
for \$450.