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Dear Belden:

We must move in the matter of preparation for July. We have always begun in Feb.: and met in August, and now we are far behind. It takes a lot of scribbling and working if Miss^{es} are got to these places. And our new departure in going away from a cool resort will require that we work all the harder. But you can see some Miss^{es} at Gen Assembly

and urge them and plan for them.
I can try some Meth: Epis: in
Del. Md & Pa who have never
come:

You should inform Park as early
as possible about ways to reach
B. from New Yk. & Philad &
for his circular and any other
items you want put in.

I think I will not try to arrange
for preaching on Sunday, as you
will probably want preaching in
all the Churches. Tell me
what you suggest for any other
part of that day - or for that
matter about any day.

I will not get out a Gazette

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In several reasons - one of which is I have nothing to put in it. Because the reporting of the meeting was sent to a Committee, I took no notes that are of any avail, and I cannot get papers from the fellows, only the three or four that I have already published in the Review - that is all played out. The fellows are too busy or spoke only extempore and don't remember or to write what they said -

Then it is too late to work up
 the ads:. They will give them for
 Spring trade - but those are all
 given out now. I do not see
 anything therefore but for Park
 to get out a Circular, with
 Constitution, explaining things in
 general; and telling all who are
 coming to report to you, and
 all suggestions about topics or
 program to me. What do you
 say? I have so written him
 Don't mentally concur or disagree
 with ~~about~~ these suggestions, and then
 get them buried in your inner consciousness
 - no, but write to me about them.

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The Delegates to Gen London Conf:
must be reported. All the Ex: Com.
seems to agree on getting fatter
men who are otherwise going
if possible - Dr Houston Secy
So. Presby: up so. I see is going,
and I have asked him to leave -
I will go if I can possibly get
the time; but I cannot now
be positive about it. He ~~then~~
might put down Houston
Gracey - + two Reserves -
what say you, and have you any

more light about who they
should be? Are you dug
out of the Snow yet.

I want you bre:-all, to be
thinking about another President
for next year. It must be
somebody who will practically
take the whole thing in the
interim of the Meetings on
himself or we must
reconstruct our organization
if we want to get along with
a figure-head. I cannot
give you the dozen or more reasons
why I want you all to look up
another man. Yr Gracey