



The
Rev. Mr. H. Belden
Bridgeton
N. Jersey

I hope you received my first letter



You know that there
are peculiar people
everywhere. Had I even
once referred to your
name the proposition
might have had that
additional help, but
even then the past facts
would have remained
if they have not been
encouraging, as I have
already told you.

My kindest remembrances
to Mrs. Belden & my children
I believe me very sincerely
The Jas. H. Kent

Cedarville Monday—
My dear Mr. Belden—
Your first letter was
not recd. till Friday noon—
I spoke of the proposition
& was writing Sat. morn—
when stage came.

Please do not think me
indifferent but I stated
the matter as it seemed
to some of my people that
have had experience
in such matters.

I do not like to arouse
opposition in my
session & there seemed
disfavor to the use of the
church on the part of
at least one of my elders.

I do really think that
you might be misapprehen-
ed in the audience,
but I am ready to
do all I can & will not
think anything a
trouble.

My services are at your disposal
for anything in the way of keeping
you from returning the experience you
ordered for Eastonville.

And if you still think it
well to make the trial of us to
order me for what you please,
I should have seen any more hope
for success here I will inform you.