

Worristown, N. J.  
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My dear Bro. Belden:

Your kindnes

of 6<sup>th</sup> ult. recod.

I send inclosed a copy of "The  
Miss. World". At price 100 copies  
for 50 ¢, and with a "catchin"  
to use as a responsive exercise,  
plus several selections that  
might be read aloud by selected  
individuals, I think this little  
help, even in the hands of the  
dullest stick of a pastor ever  
heard of, would lift a "monthly  
concert" to the level of "bona fide".

I rejoice in its appearance.  
A considerable number of responses  
have come in answer to our O.S.M.  
leaflet. Will get some good support.  
But the first year, the wheels  
will go round heavily.

My heart grows warm in this work. I do wish I were near enough to you to have an occasional bit of communion.

Am very sorry I cannot go to the meeting of the Union.

Had my vacation last month and spent a week of it with the College Students at Northfield. What a missionary spirit I tasted there! Came away feeling that I must either go, or do mightily earnest and diligent work for the cause at home.

Our "tract grant" is the allowance of tracts from our denom. Society which we are entitled to; one half the amt. of the collection we send. I have not received the "Missionary Gazette" you spoke of, nor seen it. Do I send to Dr. Gracy for it? Will send you anything I judge to be of interest, hereafter.

Heartily yours,

John Crawford.

Should you come this way, let me shelter you and - get some more inspiration from you.