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Tooy, Oakland Co, Mich.
Monday Oct 15-

Dear — Belden,

Why is it that when I address you I always want to write "Bro, Belden" I can't say "Rev, or Mr" therefore my —

Well, yours was received in due time, the same mail brought assurance from Det. that no such picture had ever been there &c &c — The picture is really good, I wouldn't take \$5 for the face of dear Dr. Hamlin. His head reminds me of my Grandfather, and his gentle manners moved me to great love for him. Dr. Taylor's is really very good — I thank you much for your kind care of the picture. —

Now as to Binghamton. I have no knowledge of the town or the Baps. Pastor,

But Bro. Comfort lives at Bellville
N.Y. and next week is their State
Convention, so I write him to know
if he will try and aid in working
up the matter, which I think he
will do, as he has always been
enthusiastic over the J. M. U.

What shall our Union take as
specific work? I should say that
it would be a very good thing for
us as a Union to make some deep,
broad plan for work among our
Colleges and Theological Seminaries.
This is a work that should be done,
and I know of no body that could
better do it than our Union, and of
no work that we could better do. We
have our publication, we could secure
the help of all denominations. Mr.
Wilder and his associates made a
great stir in the country, not in all
cases working judiciously, - but

they did a good thing, and it ought
to have been followed up by these
many Societies that are vainly calling
for recruits - Since all have neglected
it, we, as a Union, can very properly
take it up. We certainly ought to be
doing more than we are doing, and
unless we work soon, we shall die.

As to time of meeting. I think we
would be better received where we are
sustained, but we are all busy with
our special work, and I do not think
we would secure as full an attendance
^{in winter} as now. - We can agitate the question
and decide next year.

I am detained from Chicago by the
infirmities of the flesh, and it is a
great comfort to me that Paul's infirmity
and his experience in connection with it
is recorded. I have found great rest
in coming close to God during these
two months of defeated plans, and

I am sure that nothing can be a misfortune
which results in such a sweet sense of
companionship and Fatherhood in Him.
I hope the children have recovered well
from Scarletina - (I intended to say that on
Dec. Dr. Dr. Ashmore, has just returned from
China. You heard him at Clifton. He's a grand
thinker, I hope he may feel an interest in the S. M.
even though he is crowded nearly to his utmost
capacity) -

Please give my love to all the family

Ever truly yours,

C. H. Danells.

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