

will see that the matter comes before Pres in the best shape & can present it. Any other communications from your com will be gladly recd. Our Pres will meet on the 19th of Ap at Meluchen, N. J.

It seems to me that anything calls us now to a grand movement both in the Home & foreign field; and what we do should be done quickly.

yours fraternally

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Dear Brother

Yours of the 10th just reached me on the 12th. Sat lath & Monday have intervened, & I answer as promptly as I well could. I am very glad indeed to see what is proposed, and will try to do my part in carrying it out. I think the general plan outlined, is wise and practicable both as to time & method. The week proposed seems to be the most suitable, all things considered, that could be chosen. The work within the Presbyteries can be arranged best by each in its own bounds. The

Pres of Elizabeth has a standing
Com on for Miss. At the
instigation of this Com & by the
direction of Pres, a series of
meetings of the nature now
proposed has been held (not
simultaneous indeed but on
appointed days) through our
churches, since our October meet-
ing. Five or six at least were
held between the 15th of Nov
a the middle of Jan or there
about. The effect was good we
hope but the work was not
thorough or with enthusiasm
that a State movement will
call forth. I think the Pres
therefore will enter cordially into
the movement proposed by
your Com. In our case I
think it will be best to put the
management of it into the hands

of our Com on for Miss or of
a Special Com raised for the pur-
pose. In our late series we simply
added two or three brethren to the
standing Com. Dr. Gedekem is
now the Chairman of the Com
on for Miss; but all our stand-
ing Com. will be reorganized at
our Ap meeting, when probably
changes will be made in all
of them. Still the Com on for
Miss will be the one to act in
this case and we will try to see
that the right men are put on
it. I think Dr. Gedekem, from posi-
tion & from personal fitness, is
the best man we have to be Chair-
man of the Com and will try to
secure his appointment. Dr. Gil-
christ is by his side as one of his conges-
tions. . - I will preserve the
letter & document you send me