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now urging
Presbyterians, Methodists and
Baptists have missions
there; and the splendid spectacle has
been already afforded of an organic
union between Presbyterians from
the Northern and Southern Assem-
blies of our nation, and the formation
by these united brethren of the first
national Presbyterian church in any
of our missionary lands.

Yet this new national synod of
Brazil has asked for twenty-six new
missionaries, and received but five,
two of these from the Southern As-
sembly. Dr. Chamberlain and his
companions there feel, therefore,
that their hope of spreading the
gospel effectually throughout Brazil
depends, not upon the access of
missionaries alone, but upon building
up a native evangelical ministry by
gathering and training youth in a
completely organized college.

For this purpose he is now devot-
ing himself to raise a sufficient en-
dowment for a strictly Christian
college at San-Paulo, and will spend
the winter in that effort. His ad-
dress will be 53 Fifth avenue, New
York City. The unaffected piety and
thorough judgment of Dr. Chamber-
lain are a guarantee of the prime
value of his undertaking. His suc-
cess will be watched with sympathy
by all lovers of America and of the
pure gospel of Christ.

[Rev. W. H. Belden in Bridgeton
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