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L o v e d a l e , 22nd July 1912.

Miss Rose Innes,
33, Highbury Road,
M o w b r a y .

Dear Miss Rose Innes,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, and to say in reply that the General Missionary Conference appointed two Committees. The first was appointed in the Conference itself, and the second by the Executive in accordance with the decision of the Conference based on the recommendation submitted by Mrs. Brebner in giving in the Report of Commission V. on "Native Girls in Towns."

I. The Conference had a difficulty in hitting on the right name for the Committee directly appointed by itself. After consultation with the Rev. J. Henderson, from whose Commission the suggestion emanated, I would suggest for the consideration of the Committee the name

Social Reform League Organising Committee, giving this as a specific title under the general heading

South African General Missionary Conference.

I shall be glad to hear from you at your earliest convenience, the name finally adopted, so that it may be included in the printed minutes of Conference

The Conference's minute is as follows:

"Resolved that Miss E. J. Solomon, Miss Rose Innes and Rev. A. C. Murray be asked by the Conference to undertake the initiation of a South African Social (name left blank) in accordance with the suggestions of Commission Vi., page 13, paragraph 3, to draw into effective alliance local forces



throughout South Africa making for moral and social betterment. 2

That when the preliminary work of drafting a constitution, out-lining a programme, and correspondence with other organisations has been accomplished, they shall report to the Executive, which will co-operate in the launching of the new organisation."

Rev. A. C. Murray was named as Convener of this Committee. It was decided that £120 be raised for the work, and of this amount £50 has already been promised. The Committee will no doubt meet friends interested in this effort who may be asked to assist to raise the balance still required. Subscriptions should be intimated to the General Secretary and Treasurer of Conference.

It may assist the Committee if, in reply to the question, "What are the objects of this Committee?", I set down the following exposition of the Conference's resolution supplied by Rev. J. Henderson, Convener of Commission VI. He says:

"The objects of the Committee are:

To endeavour to unite in a common effort for the purification of the social life of the country, all organisations at present directly concerned in this end, with a view to

- (1) united action in relation to large questions affecting the country as a whole, to be dealt with through legislation;
- (2) assist, by the weight of an organisation representing the whole country, local efforts for dealing with social evils;
- (3) combat social evils in detail, by creating vigilance agencies, fitted, through local organisations, to bring pressure to bear with a view to the removal of individual cases of social corruption;



- (4) the informing of public opinion through various agencies, such as newspaper leaders, lectures, addresses to particular classes such as teachers, householders employing native servants, etc.;
- (5) concern itself with the conditions prevailing in centres of native population adjacent to towns, and certain European quarters in large towns where vice prevails."

II. In connection with the Report of Commission V., "Native Girls in Towns," the following resolution was passed by Conference:

"That it be a recommendation of Conference to the Executive that the ladies who are to be co-opted with them be a sub-committee for carrying out the recommendations of Conference with respect to Native Girls in Towns."

The Executive co-opted the following ladies:

Miss Ferguson, Mrs. Brebner, Miss Solomon, Miss Rose Innes, Mrs. McKenzie, Mrs. H. Sprigg and Mrs. Kropf.

I have no note of a Convener having been appointed. As soon as the Committee have appointed their Convener, will you kindly send me her name?

No funds were voted for the work of this Committee. If they require much money to carry out their work, a special fund will require to be raised as the funds in hand for the ordinary work of the Conference will scarcely suffice for printing the minutes.

To this Committee falls the work of carrying out the following resolution: "That this Conference urge upon the Government and the municipalities of our large towns (particularly those of Johannesburg and Kimberley) the establishment of Homes under the management of Christian ladies assisted by Christian native women, where native girls may be received and cared



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for; and that such Homes be under the management of the Y. W. C. A. wherever possible," and that the Executive of this Conference be requested to arrange for the drawing up of a statement explaining the working of the proposed Homes for native girls in towns, to be circulated by missionaries among their people for their information."

May I remind you that strong expression was given in Conference to the opinion that the word "Homes" should be used, and the word "Hostels" be avoided, as the latter has some unfortunate associations in the minds of the native people which might prejudice them against this effort for their welfare.

I think I am correct in saying that though the above resolution refers specially to Homes, the feeling of Conference was that this Committee should interest themselves in whatever makes for the Spiritual, moral and physical well-being of native women employed in European centres.

I think this letter covers all the ground referred to in your letter. If there is any point omitted, or anything that requires to be more clearly stated, I shall be glad to hear from you.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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Lovedale, 29th July

Mrs. Dr. ...
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Elsomfontein.

Lovedale, 29th July 2.

Dear Mrs. Dr. ...

I enclose with thanks receipts in your favour and in that of Mr. Bullen. The fund which the Conference decided to raise was for the special committee of three. The name is a difficulty. I have suggested to Miss Rose, the Sex Social Reform (or Service) League Organising Committee. I wrote fully to Miss James giving all the information from the Conference and from the Executive regarding this Committee, and the Homes committee appointed on the recommendation of your Report. She, I expect, will already have circulated this information.

I am glad to note the progress made at Kimberley towards getting a Home discussed and started. I trust you will be equally successful in Johannesburg. The very fact that the difficulty there is greater, and the need also greater, is the louder call for action. Please send me whatever it will be of advantage to publish in the Christian Express. The Missionary Conference part of the paper is always there now, and we can help you by disseminating information. Will you keep this in mind, so as either to do this yourself, or secure that someone is appointed to do this regularly?

The death of Mr. Dyke has been a great shock to us all, and our hearts go out in great sympathy to Mrs. Dyke, her family, and the mission in Basutoland.

Best regards,
Yours sincerely,
H. ...



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Lowdale, 29th July 2. 2.

Rev. Pastor Dable,
Rt. Rev. Ep. Cameron, D.D.,
Church House,

Dear Bishop Cameron.

Dear Bishop Cameron, It gives me pleasure to convey to you the news that the Executive of Conference was being empowered to watch proposed legislation affecting Natives and mission work, and to make representations to Government when necessary, it was agreed to add to the Executive the names of the Bishop of Pretoria, yourself, Professor Harris and Rev. A. Burnet, the idea being to have at the two seats of Government those who would be able to present any representations thought necessary.

I do not know whether anyone has informed the Bishop of Pretoria, or whether he has had an opportunity of agreeing to act in this connection. It is important that he should know of this proposal at first hand. May I ask you to be good enough to bring this to his notice. I hope he will act on the Executive. As I am going on next to get the Report ready for the press as soon as possible, I shall expect it a favour if you can let me have an early reply.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

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Lovedale, 28th July 2.

Lovedale, 28th July 2.

Rev. Canon Hyslop,
Rev. Pastor Dahle,
St. Matthew's College,
Mapumulo,
Kobakane Bush,
Kwatala.

Lovedale, 28th July 1912.

Dear Pastor Dahle,

Dear Canon Hyslop,

It gives me pleasure to convey to you, and through you to the Zulu Choir and your assistants, the vote of thanks passed by the Conference at St. Matthew's the vote of thanks passed by the Conference to the Xosa and Zulu Choirs, and to the Principals and workers at Lovedale, St. Matthew's and Mapumulo, whose efforts contributed so largely to the success of the City Hall meetings.

With kind regards,

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,
Yours sincerely,

J. Linnors

General Secretary.

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General Secretary.



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Lovedale, 29th July 2.

Rev. Canon Wyche,
St. Matthew's College,

Lovedale, 29th July 1912.

Kadikana Hook,
Rev. J. Henderson, M.A.,

Principal,
Dear Canon Wyche,

It gives me pleasure to convey to you, and through you, to those concerned at St. Matthew's the vote of thanks passed by the Conference to the Xosa and Bala Choirs, and to the Principals and workers at Lovedale, St. Matthew's and Mapanulo, whose efforts contributed so largely to the success of the City Hall meetings.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. L. ...
General Secretary.

General Secretary.



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Lovedale, 1st August 1912.

Messrs. Townshend, Taylor & Cassell, Lovedale, 29th July 1912.

Rev. J. Henderson, M.A.

Dear Principal,

Lovedale Missionary Conference Report.

Dear Mr. Henderson, your separate cover the U.S. of the Report of the

Fourth District Missionary Conference of South Africa, and shall be obliged if
It gives me pleasure to convey to you, and, through you,
you will be so good as to get it out as soon as possible.

to those at Lovedale who are concerned in it, the votes of thanks passed by

the Conference to the Xosa and Zulu Choirs, and to the Principals and work-
Hall and singing school at Lovedale, St. Matthew's and Maphanulo, whose efforts contributed so

largely to the success of the City Hall meetings.

Yours sincerely,

In the list of members there is to be inserted the name of
I do not know the Church or Society to
which he belongs, and have written to Mr. de Plessis to give you this informa-
tion, and the address in the case of Dr. Wesley of the Methodist Episc-
opal Church. May I trouble you to insert these items at the proper places?
On the page of the Constitution and on p. 25 of **General Secretary**, there is referenc-
to the "South African Social Reform League Organizing Committee". The Secret-
ary of this Committee has been asked to furnish Mr. de Plessis with the name
selected for this Committee and as will tell you. Please use this information
at the proper places.

The other is for the names. I shall send you in a few days the list of
those to give names to be posted. As I mentioned to Mr. Townshend, we



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C o v e d a l e , 1st August 2.

Messrs. Townshend, Taylor & Saashall,

Dear Sirs, ... P. O. ...

Dear Sirs, ... Yours sincerely,

Dear Mr. ... Missionary Conference Report.

I send you under separate cover the M.S. of the Report of the Fourth General Missionary Conference of South Africa, and shall be obliged if you will put it in hand forthwith, that we may get it out as soon as possible. Send one set of proofs to Rev. J. du Plessis, and one to myself. The M.S. is complete with one exception, viz. the Report of the Exposition and the City Hall meetings, which is to be supplied by Mr. du Plessis. Will you please ring him up on receipt of this, and arrange to get this part of the MS from him. I am writing him to this effect.

In the list of members there fails to be inserted the name of ... G. Göttschling. I do not know the Church or Society to which he belongs, and have written to Mr. du Plessis to give you this information, and also the address in the case of Dr. Gurney of the Methodist Episcopal Church. May I trouble you to insert these items at the proper places? On the page of Committees and on p. 26 of the typed minutes, there is reference to the "South African Social Reform League Organising Committee". The Secretary of this Committee has been asked to furnish Mr. du Plessis with the name selected for this Committee and he will tell you. Please use this information at the proper places.

The order is for 200 copies. I shall send you in a few days the list of those to whom copies are to be posted. As I mentioned to Mr. Townshend, we



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Love & care, 1st inst

Here note (last night) funds, so that while aiming at producing neat and accurate work, we must also study economy.

Cape Town.
Yours sincerely,

Dear Mr. du Plessis,

J. Lemmer

I have posted to Messrs. Townshend, Taylor and Shusball the M.S. of the Conference Report. It is complete with the following exceptions:

1. The Report of the Exposition and the City Bill meetings, which I am counting on you to supply. Please send this direct to the printers. I have indicated where it should be inserted.
2. Rev. W. ... paid his subscription as a cheer, but I have no note of his Church or Society, or his address. Please send this information to the printers indicating where it should be inserted in the list of names.
3. Is Dr. ... and what is his address? This also, please send to the printers.
4. I have asked Miss ... to give you the exact title selected by the ... of ... which appears in the list of ... and on page 23 of the typed minutes as "South African Social ...". This too, for the printers.

I have asked the printers to send you the proofs, which you kindly offered to read. It is very much of you, and I shall be glad of your help to get the report printed and issued as speedily as possible. It has been hard work to get it this far, with our annual Synod, the re-opening of the Institution work, and a host of ... I was working at this report with my ...

Yours sincerely,
J. Lemmer



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Lovedale, 1st August 1902.

Rev. J. du Plessis,
P. O. Box 1,444,

Cape Town.

Dear Mr. du Plessis,

I have posted to Messrs. Townshend, Taylor and Snashall the W.S. of the Conference Report. It is complete with the following exceptions:

1. The Report of the Exposition and the City Hall meetings, which I am counting on you to supply. Please send this direct to the printers. I have indicated where it should be inserted.
2. Rev. W. Gottschling paid his subscription as a member, but I have no note of his Church or Society, or his address. Please send this information to the printers indicating where it should be inserted in the List of Members.
3. Is Dr. Gurney Rev.? and what is his address? This also, please send to the printers.
4. I have asked Miss Gore Jones to give you the exact title selected by the Committee of three, which appears in the List of Committees and on page 26 of the typed minutes as "South African Social ^{Purity} ~~Reform~~ ^{Service} ~~Organizing~~ League ~~Organizing~~ Committee". This too, for the printers.

I have asked the printers to send you the proofs, which you kindly offered to read. It is very good of you, and I shall be glad of your help to get the report printed and issued as speedily as possible. It has been hard work to get it this late, with our annual Synod, the re-opening of the Institution work, and a loss of influence. I was working at this report with my typewrite in hand.

kindest regards,
 Yours sincerely,

J. Lemmer



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Lovedale, 2nd August 2.

Lovedale, 3rd August 2.

Rev. Canon Wood,
Trichinopoly, Madras.

Dear Canon Wood,
Dear Miss Ferguson.

Thanks for yours of the 23rd. The M.S. of the Conference report is on the way to the printers. I, like you, have been in bed with influenza, and was wrestling with this report in bed, typewriting it, important matter, and is on the right lines. It should like a copy to

I certainly think the Conference should meet you in the matter of the expense of you. It is true there are not funds to any large extent to meet the various needs. We must ask the various churches and societies to contribute as was done some few years ago. Five pounds per mission

would be a great help and would not be an undue burden on any. Let me know what you suggest for printing etc. have been, and I shall see that you are assisted. Very much devotedly,
Mrs. Dyke's health has been a great shock to us all. I have a note from my

sister, who is recovering, and she has decided to move to Harlow and will be buried there on Saturday.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,
J. Kent

J. Kent



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Lovedale, 3rd August 2.

Rev. E. J. Brisson,
Private Bag., Pretoria.

L o v e d a l e , 3rd August 2.

Dear Miss Ferguson,

I thank you for your letter of the 30th ult. with a draft of the circular proposed to be issued by your Committee. This is a very important matter, and it was agreed that whenever it may be desirable to take any consideration, the members in Johannesburg and Durban shall act when the Government is in Pretoria, and the members resident in Cape Town shall act when the Government is in Cape Town. I should like a day or two to consider the matter, and to have an opportunity to discuss it fully with Mr. Henderson. I will write you immediately to acknowledge receipt, and to ask you to allow this time for consideration before finally settling the form of the circular.

I am sending you a list of the Executive. Mr. Dyke's death has been a great shock to us all, and our sympathy is very much drawn out towards Mrs. Dyke and her family, and the Basutoland mission. Sp. of Pretoria invited him to act in the Executive, but there has not been time to receive his reply.

Thank you for your kind reference to Mrs. Lennox. I am glad to say that she is steadily recovering health, and the doctor indicates that she may be able to return to the course of a few weeks.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Lennox

I have sent a reply to Miss Rose Lines to the questions raised at your talk by so doing, and I expect this has already reached you.



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Lovedale, d 7th August 8.

Rev. F. J. Briscoe,
Private Bag, Pretoria.

Dear Mr. Briscoe,

At the meeting of Executive held immediately after the close of the business sessions of the Conference, the following agreement was come to: "It was agreed that whenever it may be desirable to make any representations to the Union Government, after consultation with the Executive, the members in Johannesburg and Pretoria and the Standing Sub-Committee shall act when the Government is in Pretoria, and the members resident in Cape Town and Stellenbosch with the Sub-Committee shall act when the Government is in Cape Town, the Rev. F. J. Briscoe and Mr. J.C. Gibson being Conveners of the respective sections."

I am sending you a list of the Executive. To strengthen the hands of those who would wait on the Government, the four names, Bp. of Pretoria, Bp. Cameron, Prof. Marais and Rev. A. Burnet, were added. I have written to the Bp. of Pretoria inviting him to act in this capacity, but there has not yet been time to receive his reply.

I enclose a pull of that portion of the "Christian Express" for August which contains on pp. 125, 126, the resolutions which it was decided to present to Government, and I now write to ask you to be good enough to take up the matter of arranging for the presentation of them in the proper quarter. I shall be glad to hear from you in due course, whatever you think should be published through the "Christian Express" regarding the success of the presentation.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

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L o v e d a l e , 12th August 2.

Rev. A. J. Lennard,

L o v e d a l e , 12th Aug. c.

C l a r k e b a r y .

Hessels, Southend, Taylor & Smashall,
Dear Mr. Lennard,

Thanks for your letter enclosing one to Mrs. Dyke,

which I signed and posted to her. It expressed our thoughts very

appropriately. I enclose one for the Conference of the P. E. M. S. As

I do not know who is President this year, I suggest that it be sent

through Mr. Jacoffet.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

P. S. Rev. A. C. Murray writes that Dr. And. Murray has been ill since

the Conference with bronchitis. They appear to take a serious view of

his condition. The Govt. declined to adopt the suggestion to add a

Native to the S. Peril Commission. The Sp. of Pretoria has agreed

to act on the Executive, which will strengthen it in the event of any

representations having to be made to Govt. when located at Pretoria.

Yours sincerely,

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statement of the principles on which the
Lovedale, South Africa, the Foreign
Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention
18th August. This author-
itative statement of your desire to
Lovedale, 12th Aug. c.
Rev. L. G. Jordan
Messrs. Townshend, Taylor & Snashall,
P. O. Box 49,

Rev. and Mrs. Case, Town.

Dear Sirs,
I am sorry to think the Rev. Dr. Parrish and yourself
in favour of the enclosed M.S. of Dr. Andrew Murray's addresses at the Missionary
Conference which has just reached me. I am sorry this has come to hand so
long after the rest of the M.S. was sent to you, for had I been in possess-
ion of it earlier, I should have curtailed the M.S. of the addresses al-
ready sent to you. I suppose things are too far on to permit of this being
done now. ^(Historical) If it so happen that the MS. of the addresses on the devotional
day (July 22nd 9th) has not yet been set, I would ask you to return it to me
and I shall cut it down and return it to you without delay.

Please also note in regard to a point on which I have already written
you, that the Committee of three (Rev. A. C. Murray, Miss Solomon and
Miss Rose Innes) have finally decided on the name
Social Service Organizing Committee.

Yours sincerely,

J. L. ...



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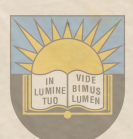
statement of the principles on which the ^{Lovedale, South Africa,} the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention, 18th August. This authoritative statement of your desire to avoid over-leaping and to observe the Rev. ^{D.D.} ~~Dr. G. G. Jordan~~ mission society is in harmony with the spirit which animated the ^{Walnut Street,} ~~726 N. Centre St.~~ and should dispel any misunderstandings which may have existed ^{at Louisville, Ky., U. S. A.}

Rev. ^{and Dear Sir} ~~and Dear Sir~~ for the courtesy of your letter ^{for all bless-} ing in your work, on behalf of the Executive of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa, I desire to thank the Rev. Dr. Parrish and yourself for your letter of ^{the 2nd inst.} ~~the 2nd inst.~~. I regret to inform you that it was not delivered to us till more than a week after the Conference closed. That it may reach all the members of the Conference and receive wide circulation, it is being published in the "Christian Express," the official ^{and} ~~and~~ medium for Conference publications.

General Secretary

Had the letter arrived in time for consideration in the Conference, a reply would have been sent expressing the collective mind of the Conference. I am sure, however, that I am expressing the feelings with which the letter will be read when I thank you very cordially for the expressions of good-will it conveys. Had Dr. Booker T. Washington been able to visit South Africa and be present at the General Missionary Conference, he would have been assured of a welcome united in the spirit respect in which he is held.

Further, the ^{ecclesiastical} ~~ecclesiastical~~ forces in South Africa will heartily welcome the



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statement of the principles on which the missionary work of the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention is based. This authoritative statement of your desire to avoid over-lapping and to observe the principles of mission comity is in harmony with the spirit which animated the recent Conference, and should dispel any misunderstandings which may have existed.

I enclose a letter from Mr. Gardner asking for \$5.11.6 in respect of expenses for delegates' hospitality. We cannot but regret the bill, but I feel it is a matter that you should handle, if you see fit. I remain,

John Lewis

General Secretary.

Yours sincerely,

J. Lewis

Kindly return the enclosed letter with your reply. Before the meeting the 1957 and all the copies of the report of the National Baptist Convention in 1956, and send them to Miss Ruth...



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Lovedale, 19th August

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Messrs. Townshend, Taylor & Snashall,
Rev. A. J. Lennard,
P. O. Box 24,
Clarkebury,
Cape Town.

Dear Mr. Lennard,

Dear Sirs,

I enclose a letter from Mr. Gardner asking for £6.11.6 in respect of expenses for delegates' hospitality. We cannot but meet the bill, but I feel it is a matter that you should know and, if you agree, sanction before action is taken. I have noted at some places where transpositions are required. I think I am not yet in a position to say how we shall stand for funds after the account for printing the Report has been met. It is almost certain that we shall need to ask for contributions from the churches and societies connected with the Conference. Of this, however, I shall write again when all subscriptions have come in and we are better able to know where we are.

I enclose a third list of those to whom the copies of the report are to be sent.
With kindest regards,
Yours sincerely,
J. Lennard

Kindly return the enclosed letter with your reply.
P.S. Before you distribute the type, read off 100 copies of the Report of Commission V, Native Young Women in C.A.S., and send them to Miss Rosa Innes, 33, Highbury Road, Wembley.



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Lovedale, 20th August

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Lovedale, 21st August

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Messrs. Towashend, Taylor & Snashall,


P. O. Box 49,
38, Highbury Road,
Cape Town.

Dear Sirs,

I am in receipt of yours of the 17th instant, and am sending you by this post the corrected proofs of the Conference Report. As the MS. of Dr. Murray's address last sent came after the rest was all in type, leave it out. I have noted at some places where transpositions are required. I think all are indicated so clearly that there will be no difficulty in following the instructions. I have written Mr. du Plessis about the items regarding which I have put a side note to get information from him. off 100 copies of the Report of Commission V. I should not be necessary to take the time to send further proofs here, and I shall be glad if you will get the report out as soon as possible.

I enclose a third list of those to whom the copies of the report are to be sent.

Yours sincerely,


Yours faithfully,


P.S. Before you distribute the type, run off 100 copies of the Report of Commission V, Native Young Women in Cities, and send them to Miss Rose Innes, 33, Highbury Road, Newbray.



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Lovedale, 21st August 1948

Miss Ferguson,

Miss Rose Innes,

38, Highbury Road,

W. 1 Newbawn.

Dear Miss Innes,

I enclose some suggestions on the draft letter on the Condition of Native Servants which I have read with great interest your letter of the 14th with the account of the first official meeting of your committee. The lines of work you are opening up commend themselves as sound and likely to lead to ever-increasing usefulness.

1. The part of your draft that I have not copied is admirable. It speaks with authority (No. S20904) from the special fund for your work, and I have asked Messrs. Townshend, Taylor & Spashall to run off 100 copies of the second and third pages of a folder. I suggest that the Committee should that the Report of Commission V. before the type of the Conference Report is distributed, and to send them to you.

2. The matter of distribution is a difficult one. In the first instance you can utilise the churches. It is not too much to ask each church congregation throughout the land to take a copy. With kind regards, they are distributed. A grave public and moral question like this gives us a right to call upon the assistance of the Christian organisations of the land. In approaching various large units, the recognised leaders should be first approached. For instance, the archbp. of Cape Town should be invited to consider what is proposed. The General Assembly of the Pres. Ch. of S. Africa meets in Sept. in Cape Town. A deputation to them would help to open doors.

3. All this touches on the question of expense. It seems to me that it will be necessary for those who are directly acting in this matter and on whose hearts it is laid to consider how they can approach the Lord's stew-

4. Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature

5. All this touches on the question of expense. It seems to me that it will be necessary for those who are directly acting in this matter and on whose hearts it is laid to consider how they can approach the Lord's stew-



order. The funds I have in hand from the Conference will not clear the publication of the Conference Report. I ¹⁴ ~~100~~ probably soon have to ask the Executive Committee to authorise an appeal to Churches and Societies associated with the Conference for a contribution to enable us to carry on the work we have in hand. The ~~member~~ ^{Chairman} of the Women's Committee ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~country~~ ^{country} will receive copies for its proper use. ~~2.~~ ^{Lovedale, 28th August}

Miss Ferguson,

Huguenot College,

Wellington. I am making my suggestion on the question of the number of copies that should be printed. That depends on the extent of distribution. I enclose some suggestions on the draft letter on The Condition of Native Servants. I am sorry that it has not been possible to deal with this adequately at an earlier date. I further make the following suggestions for your consideration.

1. To whom is the communication to be addressed? You will note that I suggest that it go as an open letter to the women of South Africa.
2. The part of your draft that I have not copied is admirable. It speaks with authority, and from the heart, and it makes a powerful appeal.
3. Would you issue it in English and Dutch? It might be printed on the second and third pages of a folder. May I suggest that the Committee ensure that the printing is well done, and on good paper?
4. The matter of distribution is a difficult one. In the first instance you can utilise the churches. It is not too much to ask each church congregation throughout the land to take a supply and see that they are distributed. A grave public and moral question like this gives us a right to call upon the assistance of the Christian organisations of the land. In approaching various large units, the recognised leaders should be first consulted. For instance, the Archbp. of Cape Town should be invited to consider what is proposed. The General Assembly of the Pres. Ch. of S. Africa meets in Sept. in Cape Town. A deputation to them would help to open doors.
5. All this touches on the question of expense. It seems to me that it will be necessary for those who are directly acting in this matter and on whose hearts it is laid, to consider how they can approach the Lord's stew-



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ards. The funds I have in hand from the Conference will not clear the publication of the Conference Report. I shall probably soon have to ask the Executive Committee to authorise an appeal to the Churches and Societies associated with the Conference for a contributions to enable us to carry on the work we have in hand. This matter of the Women's Committee therefore will require money for its proper accomplishment, and I think the ladies working in the matter might consider if they cannot make a special appeal to friends interested in the moral and spiritual welfare of the country, to furnish the money necessary for the work you have in hand and may undertake.

I have difficulty in making any suggestion on the question of the number of copies that should be printed. That depends on the extent of distribution you decide upon, and the funds you think you can command for the purpose. Again I suggest that your Committee of ladies take the whole matter into consideration. The appeal is worth making, and one generally finds that when work is worth doing, the funds can be found. The resources of Christian liberality are vast. They only want tapping.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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...the Treasurer of the Association is the subject matter of the work is the most important and I think whether it was ever contemplated... It would seem very well from your letter... It would be convenient if meetings... those of the Association of... Rev. J. J. Lennard, Clarendon, is Secretary...

Yours sincerely,

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Henry...



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of Mr Taylor 20/28

London, 15th September 2.
I o v e d a l l b o y d e n , September. 22.

Dear Mr. ~~Harper~~ *Harper*

Broules Station, E. A. Gardner has written to say that about £20 was incurred in expenses connected with the accommodating of delegates at the time of the conference. Of this amount, £8.11.6 was not covered by donations, and after looking it before the Exhibition Executive whose own financial straits have been considerable, he writes to ask whether the General Missionary Conference will refer the amount. At the recent meetings of the General Missionary Conference, a resolution was adopted recommending the Missionary Churches and Societies £1.0.0 was paid for European delegates, due to the fact that certain delegates working in Cape Colony, among other places, to form themselves into a Messengers spent 11 days in Cape town instead of seven.

longer Association such as already exists in the Transvaal, Natal, Rhodesia before paying this amount, I should like to know the feeling of the Bureau. That the Transvaal will be the resolution in the largest number of the work we are asked to undertake, and I doubt whether it was ever contemplated that such a charge would be laid on a fund raised from the subscriptions of members. If you should be able to consider this from your side in mind. (1) some of the native members if not all were specially invited; and (2) the Cape town executive have been so generous that they should not be calculated as a charge to the Association. In future it would be well to make it clear that invitations are for a definite period, and if delegates wish to stay longer it may be well to give some information regarding contemplated dates of meet-

ings.

Yours sincerely,

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Harper



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of Mr Taylor

Lovedale, 14th September 2.
Lovedale, 14th Sept. 2.

Rev. G. E. A. Gardner, B.A.

Dear Mr. Murray.

Rev. G. E. A. Gardner has written to say that about £20 was incurred in expenses connected with the accommodating of delegates at the time of the Conference. Of this amount, £8 . 11 . 6 was not covered by donations, and after laying it before the Exhibition Executive whose own financial straits have been considerable, he writes to ask whether the General Missionary Conference will refund the amount. He explains that £1 was paid for each of four of the five native delegates and £1 . 2 . 6 for the fifth. The balance of £1 . 9 . 0 was paid for European delegates, due to the fact that certain delegates spent 11 days in Cape Town instead of seven.

Before paying this amount, I should like to know the feeling of the Bureau. The amount is not large in itself, but our funds are insufficient for all the work we are asked to undertake, and I doubt whether it was ever contemplated that such a charge would be laid on a fund raised from the subscriptions of members. If we agree to pay it, there are two considerations we should bear in mind. (1) some of the native members, if not all, were specially invited; and (2) the Cape Town executive have been so generous that they should not be called on to bear this burden. My chief difficulty is that we are establishing an undesirable precedent. In future it would be well to make it clear that invitations are for a definite period, and if delegates wish to stay longer, they are free, and expected, to make their own arrangements.

Yours sincerely,

J. Murray



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Lovedale, 14th September 2.
Lovedale, 17th Sept. 2.
Lovedale, 17th Sept. 2.

Rev. G. Harper,
Rev. E. V. A. Gordenor, B.A.,
Bramble Station,
5, Breda Street,
1145 High Road, near A. Marshall,
Cape Town.

Dear Mr. Gordenor,

On receipt of your letter of the 15th August, I sent
it to Mr. Leonard as President, and the same post that brought your p.c.
brought a letter from him apologising for the delay. He wishes the matt-
er referred to the Bureau before being paid out as it establishes a pre-
cedent. This will take a few days, but I hope to be able to give you a
reply shortly, and

I note that you wish two copies of the Report. Shall I deduct 1s 6d
for the second copy from the amount I shall be sending you?

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. Newson



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Lovedale, 17th Sept. 2.
Lovedale, 17th Sept. 2.

Rev. J. Harper,
Browliss Station,
King Williams Town, T. & S. S. 11,
P. O. Box, 48.

Dear Mr. Harper,

I am duly in receipt of your letter of the 11th regarding the proposal to organise a Cape Provincial Missionary Association, and note that you feel you have neither the time nor strength to take this up yourself. I think it would be a needed thing for you to act on your suggestion of writing a letter to the "Christian Express" in which you draw out your opinion on the question. I will post copies to them.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. L. ...



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Lovedale, 17th Sept 2.

Messrs. Townsend, Taylor & Snashall,
Messrs. Townsend, Taylor & Snashall,
Rev. S. J. Bennett,
P. O. Box, 48,
Cape Town.

Dear Sirs,

I enclose a seventh list of those to whom copies of the Conference Report are to be posted. In the case of the Editors of papers, kindly insert the accompanying notes.

Rev. G. B. A. Gardener may send you some names, in which case I shall be obliged if you will post copies to them.

Yours faithfully,

G. B. A. Gardener

You were good enough to undertake to send the copies to me. I say I am sorry that I have not been able to do so. I have not yet taken up. If you will do this, I shall send you some of those wanted copies as they come in, and suggest that you keep a note of accounts recorded as postage to be settled by me. If you agree to this, it will save double postage which would be involved were you to send the printed balances of copies to me, and I were then to issue them. As we are entitled to the report at no cost, this is a point of some importance.



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Lovedale, 18th September 2.
Lovedale, 30th September 2.

Messrs. Townshead, Taylor & Saebell,
Rev. E. J. Bennett, 49,
Clarkson

Gentlemen Mr. Lennard,

Now that the ~~Conference Report~~ is published, I should be glad to receive ~~some more parcels for the Social Service~~ ~~of the Social Service~~. Please include everything to date ~~of the Social Service~~.

The present list being issued this week. I shall be glad to receive at once names and addresses and subscriptions. I am afraid I cannot undertake circulating the ~~8. 2. 7. 7~~ missionary force. My hands are far too

occupied with that task, and therefore I am asking responsible officers to be good enough to undertake the posting of copies. I trust I may trespass on your kindness by counting on you to stock the balance of copies not yet taken up. If you will do this, I shall send you names and addresses of those wanting copies as these come in, and suggest that you keep a note of amounts expended on postage to be settled say quarterly. If you agree to this, it will save double postage which would be involved were you to send the present balance of copies to me, and I were then to issue them. As we are selling the report at 1s 6d post free, this is a point of some importance. Kindly say if you agree.

Yours sincerely,



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Lovedale, 30th September 2.

Messrs. Townshead, Taylor & Saashall,
P. O. Box No. 48,
Cape Town.

Gentlemen,

Now that the Conference Report is published, I should be glad to receive from you a statement of our account. Please include everything to date. I paid you on account

9th July	£30 . 0 . 0
23rd ..	9 . 19 . 4
7th August	2 . 7 . 7
	<u>£42 . 8 . 11</u>

Kindly let us have the 1 sh. 6d for the second copy of the Report you ordered.
You were good enough to undertake the posting of copies. I trust I may trespass on your kindness by counting on you to stock the balance of copies not yet taken up. If you will do this, I shall send you names and addresses of those wanting copies as these come in, and suggest that you keep a note of amounts expended on postage to be settled say quarterly. If you agree to this, it will save double postage which would be involved were you to send the present balance of copies to me, and I were then to issue them. As we are selling the report at 1s 6d post free, this is a point of some importance. Kindly say if you agree.



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Engwili, D o t n e e, 2010
28th October

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Rev. C. P. A. Gardener,
Taylor & Snashall,
5, Breda Street,
Cape Town.

Dear Mr. Gardener,

I have had unexpected difficulty in getting a statement out of Messrs. Townshend, Taylor & Snashall, the printers of the Conference Report, as to ^{how} we stand financially. Their statement has reached me this morning, and I find that our liabilities exceed the money we have in hand by three pounds. I regret therefore that it is impossible to do anything towards the hospitality account about which you wrote.

Kindly let me have the 1 sh. 6d for the second copy of the report you ordered. In fixing the price we gave in the report and as you can see the result is that we shall be supplied with a considerable loss on the book.

Yours sincerely,

J. H. ...

I do not feel myself in a position to offer my opinion as the price at which we have obtained the report but for the reason I have stated, I should be glad if you could grant us any modification of the charge.

Yours sincerely,

J. H. ...



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Reginald Pughall, B. Sc. (Hons) F. Sc.
18th November

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Messrs. Townshend, Taylor & Saatchell,
King Wa's Town,
P. O. Box 42,

Dear Canon Nyobu, a p o Y o w n,

I have yours of the 18th which was enclosed a letter I addressed to you at Salabas. In case that letter has not yet reached you, I may repeat that it is only now that through the despatch of receipts from the sale of 1500 copies received yours of the 24th ultimo with account showing 200/- still due by us to you. Before settling this, I wish to ask whether you would reconsider the charge £51 - 13 - 6 for the 500 missionary reports. This works out at close on 2s. 1d per copy. We are selling these at the cheapest price so that even if we clear out every copy we are working at a loss of 9d per copy. In fixing the price we were in the dark as to the cost of getting out the report and as you can see the result is that we shall be saddled with a considerable loss on the book.

I do not feel myself in a position to offer any opinion on the price at which you have produced the report but for the reason I have stated, I should be glad if you could grant us any modification of the charge.

Yours sincerely,

Reginald Pughall



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Engwali, D. D. M. C., 22nd Nov. 2.
Engwali, D. D. M. C., 6th December 2.

Rev. Canon Wyche, a, ... Street,
King Wm's Town.

Dear Canon Wyche,

I have yours of the 18th which has crossed a letter I addressed to you at Beletsa. In case that letter has not yet reached you, I may repeat that it is only now that through the incoming of receipts from the sale of the report I have a balance of £10 in hand after paying the Cape Town printers. I asked whether I should send that amount to you, or retain £5 which you promised for the work of the Committee specially charged with work among natives in towns. Since the receipt of your letter now under reply I think it better to send the £10 towards the printing of the report of Commission III., and leave the other matter to be dealt with by yourself at your own convenience. Kindly send me a formal receipt for the £10.

I am glad to note that we may see you some day here. We shall be very glad to welcome you.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

Sturges



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Engwali, D o h n e ., 6th December 2.

Messrs. The International Trust Society,
Rev. Canon Nycha, Zealand Street,
King Wa's Town. Cape Town.

Dear Sirs,

Dear Canon Nycha-day is receipt of your letter of the 28th ult. with stamps value the On the 22nd ult. I sent you £10 and have not received acknowledgements. Probably you have been away on duty. I shall be glad to hear from you as soon as possible as I sent the money in two Five-Pound notes. I cannot understand why your letter was so long in reaching me, and I regret the delay. With kind regards, that you may have had in filling your order. I as station yours sincerely, the above address and the post office regularly forward all correspondence to us here from Levedale. I enclose the envelope of your letter with the date stamps in case you wish to lodge any complaint.

Yours sincerely,

Henry



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D o h n e , 19th Dec. 2:

Messrs. The International Tract Society,
Messrs. Townsend, Taylor & Sessell,
56, Beeland Street,
P. O. Box 46,
Cape Town.

Dear Sirs,
Dear Sirs,

I am to-day in receipt of your letter of the 28th ult. with
encloses 220 . 7 . 8 in payment of balance of account.
stamps value three shillings, for two copies of the Report of the Fourth
General Missionary Conference. These are being sent to you direct from
the publishers.

Yours sincerely,
[Signature]

I cannot understand why your letter was so long in reaching me, and I
regret the delay and inconvenience that you may have had in filling your
order. I am stationed for a year at the above address and the post office
regularly forward all correspondence to me here from Lovedale. I enclose
the envelope of your letter with the date stamps in case you wish to lodge
any complaint.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

It appears to be a perfectly legitimate request for the Committee on Work
for Native Peoples to be consulted, and equally legitimate for the Committee on
Social Organization to consider the proposal that as their respective duties
are so inter-related, the fund in the name of the Organizing Committee
should be available for the needs of both. To put this in effect, will you



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Engwali, Engwali, D o h n e ,

D o h n e .

10th March 26th December, 2.

Miss Lane's matter before your Committee and give us their decision. Messrs. Townshead, Taylor & Snashall, or decision you intimate before Highways, Road. P. O. Box 49, Executive so that in dealing with these matters getting over the matter in an orderly way. All this will take time, but if your Committee can help, I shall do my best to get through the Dear Sirs, to later stages as quickly as possible.

Dear Miss Lane, I enclose £20 . 7 . 8 in payment of balance of account. for the 100 copies I have received from Miss Fairs the minutes of the 23rd Feb. of the Committee on Work for Native Women held at their Day on the 22nd Feb.

Yours sincerely,
Henry

I see you were present and therefore a brief statement is all that is necessary at present.

The money agreed to be raised by the General Conference was for the Social Service Organising Committee. At the same time, business was being pushed through very rapidly when this was done, and the distinction between that Committee and the other on Work for Native Women and Girls was not discussed at length in relation to their financial needs. What Mrs. Brabner says is, I believe, perfectly true, namely that subscriptions were promised not so much for the work of Organising Committee exclusively, as for the active work that the General Conference through its committees was entering upon.

It seems to me therefore perfectly legitimate for the Committee on Work for Native Women to propose, and equally legitimate for the Committee on Social Organisation to consider the proposal that as their respective duties are so intimately related, the fund in the name of the Organising Committee should be kept open for the needs of both. To put this in order, will you



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Engwali,

D o h n e .

10th March

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Miss Rose Innes, matter before your Committee and give us their decision. It may be well also for us to place whatever decision you intimate before the Executive so that in dealing with these moneys publicly we may act in an orderly way. All this will take time, but if your Committee can act rapidly, I shall do my best to push through the matter in its later stages as speedily as possible.

Dear Miss Innes, I have received from Miss Waite the minutes of the meeting for the 100. I have also received from the publishers £6. 10s in hand, and there are other subscriptions that were promised by the Committee on Work for Native Women held at Kalk Bay on the 22nd Feb. I see you were present and therefore a brief statement is all that is necessary at present. The money agreed to be raised by the General Conference was for the Social Service Organising Committee. At the same time, business was being pushed through very rapidly when this was done, and the distinction between that Committee and the other on Work for Native Women and Girls was not discussed at length in relation to their financial needs. What Mrs. Brabner says is, I believe, perfectly true, namely that subscriptions were promised not so much for the work of Organising Committee exclusively, as for the active work that the General Conference through its committees was entering upon.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

It seems to me therefore perfectly legitimate for the Committee on Work for Native Women to propose, and equally legitimate for the Committee on Social Organisation to consider the proposal that as their respective duties are so intimately related, the fund in the name of the Organising Committee should be drawn upon for the needs of both. To put this in order, will you



Magnall,
Dehane.

2. 10th March 3.

Miss White,
Dames Reading Oplviding Institut,

please place this matter before your Committee and give me their decision. It may be well also for me to place whatever decision you intimate before the Sub-Committee of the Executive so that in dealing with these moneys publicly contributed we may act in an orderly way. All this will take time, but if your Committee can act rapidly, I shall do my best to push through the matter in its later stages as speedily as possible.

I received in all £12, and sent you £5 and paid 10s. to the publishers for the 100 copies of the report of Commission IV. That leaves me with £6.10s in hand, and there are other subscriptions that were promised that can be called in when necessary. The first question to be considered is the sanctioning of the expense of the printing of the circular letter to Missionaries etc. on the Homes. I have this lying here ready to send to the printer whenever I know how the cost is to be met.

If your Committee agrees to the principle that the money I have in hand is to be drawn on for the operations of both committees and this be sanctioned by the Executive, you will require some plan of common action. You are a member of both Committees. Might it not save confusion of correspondence if it were understood that no money would be paid out by me save on your request, and that it would be understood that before sending in a request you should have consulted both committees and received their minuted sanction. Some simple means such as that would ensure that every interest was properly guarded.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

[Handwritten signature]
I have received a message from the Committee on Social Reform...



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Hagwali,
D o h n e ,

10th March 3.

Miss Waite,
Dames Zending Opleiding Instituut,
W e l l i n g t o n .

Hagwali, 2nd June 3.

Dear Miss Waite,

I am duly in receipt of yours of the 28th ult. Kindly note my present address as the sending of letters to Lovedale and the delay in having them re-addressed and sent here accounts for the delay in this present reply.

I have written to Miss Rosa Innes to bring before her Committee on Social Service Organisation the proposal that that Committee and the other on Work for Native Women and Girls which are handling work so closely related, should draw on the fund I have in hand. If her Committee agree to this proposal I shall lay the proposal before the Executive so that any action in relation to the moneys publicly contributed at the Conference may be in order.

As regards the name of your Committee for banking purposes, the name proposed, "Committee on Work for Native Women," is a correct abbreviation of the name in the Report of the General Conference, namely "Committee for Work among Native Women and Girls." To save time, I am prepared to approve of the name you have selected on behalf of the Executive, and shall mention the matter in the first circular letter I shall be sending round to members. Therefore regard this letter as sufficient approval for your present purpose.

I shall refer to other parts of your letter by a later post.

I have received a message from the ladies of the Committee on Social Reform, who wish to send me to send these to you or Miss Rosa Innes.



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Engwali, 11th June 1915
Engwali, 2nd June 1915

The Executive of the
Rev. G. B. A. Gardener, B.A.,
Miss Waite,
5, Broad Street,
Cape Town.

Dear Miss Waite,
W e l l i n g t o n .

Dear Mr. Gardener,
Dear Miss Waite,

In reply to your p.c. of the 5th instant on the matter
I am in receipt of yours of the 26th ult. I have sent
out copies of the letter on Homes to a large number of missionaries. All
I enclose 22 which I have received since I last wrote to you from the
members of the Conference have received copies; supplies have been sent
of Reports. If more reports are sold, I may be able to add a little to
to representative missionaries with the request that they circulate them
this. At present I am left with a small sum with which to meet the cur-
rent charges between now and the 1915 conference.
missionaries who are not members of Conference. While I cannot say that
How are you getting on in your new work? Are the conditions as grave
they have been sent to all missionaries, a very wide distribution has been
ensured. It has also been sent to a number of newspapers, European and
Native. I cannot yet say what the cost has been, but I am keeping expense
as low as possible.

Yours sincerely,

I have begun a list of native papers and sent it on to Lovedale for
completion and then to be posted on to you.

I have received a number of the subscriptions promised for the work of
the Committee on Social Reform, but am not clear whether the ladies asked
me to send these to you or Miss Rose Innes. Please drop me a line to say.



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Engwali, 11th June 1915.

The Members of Executive of the
Rev. G. B. A. Gardener, B.A.,
General Missionary Conference.

Dear 5, Breda Street,
Cape Town.

Dear Mr. Gardener,
In reply to your p.c. of the 5th instant on the matter
of the £6 expended on behalf of the six native delegates to last Conference

I enclose £2 which I have received since I last wrote to you from the sale
of Reports. If more reports are sold, I may be able to add a little to
this. At present I am left with a small sum with which to meet the current
charges between now and the 1915 conference.

How are you getting on in your new work? Are the conditions as grave
as one gathered from statements that I heard quoted as coming from Caribedian?

Kindly favour me with a reply at your earliest convenience.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,
Yours sincerely,

J. L. ...



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Engwali, 11th June 1915

The Members of Executive of the
General Missionary Conference.

Dear Mrs. Strigg,

Dear Rev. J. D. Taylor writes to say that at a recent meeting of the Natal Missionary Conference Executive he brought forward "the question of the preliminary arrangements for the Exposition or Demonstration in connection with the 1915 meeting of the General Conference, and the query was raised by one member whether there was not a sentiment amongst the members against having an Exposition on the ground that it pressed heavily on the time needed for Conference business and also kept away from Conference some who were needed there through their having responsibilities in connection with the Exposition." He asks the opinion of the Executive on this point in time to be considered at the annual meeting of the Natal Missionary Conference on the 8th July.

Kindly favour me with a reply at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

I have received 280 . . . of the Committee's work, viz., Mr. Bullen 25, Mrs. Srebner (3 her donation) 25, Rev. A. J. Leonard 25, Rev. J. Henderson (for sale) 25, Rev. E. . . . 25, Rev. P. J. Brisson 25. Deducting the 25 which I formerly sent to you, this leaves 280 . . . 10s which I enclose. Kindly acknowledge receipt.

With kindest regards, Yours sincerely,



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E. M. W. A. I. I.

19th 18th June. 18.

Miss Rose Innes,
Dear Miss Waite,
Highbury Road,

Thanks for your letter of the 9th instant with minutes of the meeting of 23rd May. I note the resolution that the minutes be regarded as Dear Miss Innes, In view of this, I shall in future depend on you to furnish any items of information you may wish to be published in the "Christian Ex-

press". I have no doubt your committee will strengthen the work of your committee if you supply it with information of your committee's progress. You are adding to your most useful work of collecting information regarding what is being done, the more interesting and constructive work of suggesting lines of united activity. All success to you in it.

from Mrs. Brebner and 51 from Mrs. Sprigg. being half of the respective donations of 1936-1937. I have spent 51 mission. I have spent 51 Native Women in the

But on c. 32 of the Conference report the resolution appointing the Committee reads: "forces throughout South Africa WORKING FOR MORAL AND SOCIAL BETTERMENT" and sets no limit. The Conference contemplated a big thing, and felt that social reform affects all sections of the community. Please do not limit your outlook, even when limits of time and strength may make it necessary to limit your efforts.

I have received £30 . 10 . 0 for your Committee's work, viz., Mr. Bullen £2, Mrs. Brebner (½ her donation) £2 . 10s, Rev. A. J. Lennard £5, Rev. J. Henderson (Lovedale) £5, Rev. H. Kosche (Berlin Soc.) £5, Mrs. Sprigg (½ her donation) £1, Rev. J. D. Taylor (American Zulu Miss.) £5, Rev. F. J. Briscoe £5. Deducting the £5 which I formerly sent to you, this leaves £25 . 10s which I enclose. Kindly acknowledge receipt,

With kindest regards, Yours sincerely,



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Emgwali,

19th June 1913.

Dear Miss Waite,

Thanks for your letter of the 9th instant with minutes of the meeting of 23rd May. I note the resolution that the minutes be regarded as confidential. In view of this, I shall in future depend on you to furnish any items of information you may wish to be published in the "Christian Express". I have no doubt you agree with me that it will strengthen the work of your committee if you supply a steady stream of information to the public on the Committee's plans and operations.

I have received for the work of your Committee £3 . 20 . 0, viz. £2 . 10 from Mrs. Brebner and 81 from Mrs. Sprigg, being half of the respective donations of these ladies for the Conference's work among Women and Girls. I have spent £1 . 6 . 6, viz., 10s for 100 reprints of the Report of Commission V., 11s 6d for 350 reprints of the Circular letter on "Homes for Native Women in the Larger Towns," and 5s postage on the latter. This leaves a balance of £2 . 3 . 6, of which I am sending to you. Kindly acknowledge receipt.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

"L.M.S." is one of these but I cannot say who speaks for the society.

I shall be glad to hear from you whenever there is anything from the University of Discipline Committee for the "Christian Express". You have in hand a difficult but most necessary piece of work.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. Lawrence



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Engwali, Province, SOUTH AFRICA, Transvaal
18th September 1912
23rd June 3.

Dear Miss Maite,

In reply to yours of the 18th instant about a quorum of your Committee, the General Conference laid no exact and binding rules upon you. You are therefore free to apply the doctrine of "implied powers" that is to say, you are free as a Committee to make whatever regulations will best enable you to do the work you were invited to undertake. For myself I have no hesitation in saying that if three meet that is sufficient for a quorum.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Mott,

But there is another question. It is well that the General Missionary Conference is now conscious of its strength and opportunities, but, after all, the General Conference consists only of individuals, who, though they reflect the spirit peculiar to the missions whence they come, yet speak and act as only as individuals. Indirectly through the individual missionaries who attend the General Conference and an influence is exerted on their Churches and Societies. But when we look at the missionary force of South Africa as a whole, it is composed of Churches and Societies developing each their own policy with very little contact with or relation to each other or the situation as a whole. Can it be doubted that there is great loss and dissipation of spiritual energy? Everyone is conscious of the need, and it requires one of unique experience and training to guide the consideration of it. We believe you can do this, and earnestly trust you can come to us in 1915.

If you can come, you may be able either at once or in good time for the ground to be prepared, to indicate lines of discussion which you think



the Conference might follow, in connection with which your services would be put to the greatest use in this country. In your opinion be put to the greatest use of your visit would

I shall be glad also to learn what the Executive Conference to be, so that the Executive may take steps before the ensuing year to meet its liability. I send under separate cover a copy of 1912-13 report.

13th September 1913

With kind regards,

John R. Mott, Esq., LL.D., I remain,

Yours very sincerely,
F. M. C. A.
New York City, U. S. A.

Dear Mr. Mott,

On behalf of the Executive of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa I have great pleasure in extending to you a very warm invitation to come to the next Conference which will be held in Pietermaritzburg in July 1915.

We believe that with the blessing of God you could do the missionary cause in South Africa a great service just now. The General Missionary Conference has found itself as a spiritual force in this country. This was very marked especially at the last Conference held in Cape Town in July 1912. The three preceding conferences did useful and necessary service in introducing the members of the South African missionary body to each other, and securing that mutual knowledge and esteem which render true co-operation possible. The 1912 Conference found this preliminary work accomplished, and the representatives of the many Churches and Societies then present united as a strong working force. That force now wants direction and effective utilisation, that its great potentialities may be adequately de-



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Cape Province, SOUTH AFRICA,

18th September 3.

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 of Y. M. C. A.

New York City, U. S. A.

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I shall be glad also to learn what the expenses of your visit would be, so that the Executive may take steps before the ensuing Conference to meet its liability.

Rev. W. C. Willoughby,
Tiger Kloof.

With kind regards,

Dear Mr. Willoughby,

I remain,
On my return after a five weeks' mission tour

Yours very sincerely,

I found your letter of the 28th ultimo with enclosure for the Social Service Organising Committee which I acknowledge with best thanks, and enclose a formal receipt.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Some of them could recollect such a receipt having been sent. Rather than that it should be thought that a promise had been given on behalf of the Society and not fulfilled, Mr. Willoughby writes that a number of them decided to contribute the amount named, and I have kindly acknowledged accordingly to me. I have also to state that several copies are already in the hands of those who have contributed. I shall be glad to receive anything you wish to be published, and will be pleased to be of any service.

Yours sincerely,

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Engwali, 22nd October 3.

Engwali, 24th Oct. 3.

Engwali, 22nd October 3.

Rev. W. C. Willoughby, S. A.

Tiger Kloof.

Dear Mr. Willoughby,

Dear Miss Innes,

On my return here after a five weeks' mission tour I found your letter of the 26th ultimo with the enclosed £5 for the Social Service Organising Committee which I now acknowledge with best thanks, and enclose a formal receipt.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

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Rather than that it should be thought that a promise had been on behalf of the Society and not fulfilled, Mr. Willoughby writes that a number of them decided to contribute the amount among themselves. Kindly acknowledge receipt to me.

Have you any news of the Committee's work for the "Christian Express"? For the sake of those who have contributed, I shall be glad to receive anything you wish to be published.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

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Engwali, 22nd October 3.

Miss Rose Innes,
Highbury Road,
Mowbray.

Dear Miss Innes,

I enclose £5 for the work of the Social Service Organising Committee. In my notes of the Conference of last year, at the time when various societies and individuals promised contributions, I noted £5 from the L. M. S. When I applied to them to implement this promise, none of them could recollect such a promise having been made. Rather than that it should be thought that a promise had been on behalf of the Society and not fulfilled, Mr. Willoughby writes that a number of them decided to contribute the amount among themselves. Kindly acknowledge receipt to me.

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With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

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Engwani, 24th Oct. 3.

Rev. G. B. A. Gardener, B.A.,
6, Scott Street,
Cape Town.

Dear Mr. Gardener,

Yours of the 8th instant reached me yesterday. It followed me to the Transvaal and back here before I got it.

I note that in asking that the Executive of the Gen. Missionary Conference take in hand the publication of the Prayer Cycle for S. African missions that you have been publishing for two years, you say that the M.S. for 1914 should go to press within six weeks from the date on which you wrote. This factor alone, it seems to me, is decisive for the present year. Before I could get in touch with the Executive, receive their replies, and convey any proposals they might make for the drafting of a Cycle for 1914, the time stated would have elapsed.

To secure the successful carrying out of such an effort by the Gen. Missionary Conference, the matter should be considered and discussed either in Conference or Executive rather than by correspondence.

It has also to be borne in mind that several cycles are already in use. The Pres. Ch. of South Africa has just decided to adopt one at the recent meeting of their General Assembly. The co-ordinating of these existing cycles would require to be discussed at a meeting where representatives were present. I therefore suggest that the matter be brought up for discussion at the 1915 Conference at P. M. Burg.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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L o v e d a l e ,

28rd January

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Rev. Father Norton, S.S.M.,

S. Augustine's, Modderpoort,

LADYBRAND, O. F. S.

Dear Father Norton,

Some time ago a suggestion was sent to me by the Gen

eral Missionary Conference from the Transvaal Missionary Association that

a representative committee should be appointed to compile a Tune Book

suitable for the Bantu dialects. The members of the Executive were informed

of the proposal, and it came before a recent meeting of the Sub-Com-

mittee of the Executive. It was felt that in the absence of funds at

the disposal of the Executive, it is not in a position to take the in-

itiative. I was asked to say that if you and others who are interested

in this matter wish to make any report of what you may have in hand to

next Conference (Haritzburg, 1915) the Executive will do all they can to

secure a place for it on the programme.

Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,



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L o v e d a l e ,

31st January

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Mrs. Sprigg,
Grove Walk,
CLAREMONT.

Dear Mrs. Sprigg, I have no doubt these principles are present to the minds of the
Dear Committee, I had a letter some time ago from Miss Waite, Secretary of the
Conference's Committee on Work for Native Women and Girls, in which she said
she was preparing to leave Wellington. In case she may have done so, I ad-
dress this letter to you, who, I understand, have been acting as Convener
during the past year. May I ask you to bring it before the Committee?

At a recent meeting of the Sub-Committee of Executive it was decided to
request Committee of Conference to be good enough to furnish reports of the
work they have done since Conference and may have in hand.

It has come to my notice that there seems to be some misapprehension as
to the functions of the Conference's Committee on work for Native Women and
Girls, and I may be allowed to take this opportunity to restate the position.
The Conference entrusted the Committee with the dissemination of certain
ideas, the most important of which was the need for Homes in the larger towns
and centres of employment. The Conference from its own nature cannot become
one among the many already existing organisations for carrying out Christian
effort. In this particular instance I think we are clear that when the Com-
mittee can present this idea in places where it may not hitherto have been
grasped, and can ensure that local workers have adopted it and are likely to
work it out in their own circumstances, the functions of the Committee has
been fulfilled. The Conference does not undertake to direct operations. That
must be left to local initiative and resource. It can serve a useful purpose
as a centre for keeping in touch with efforts throughout the country, and lett-
ing workers in one place know what others are doing.

Yours faithfully,



CONFIDENTIAL

18th February 1961

John G. Birch, Esq.,

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Gen. Secy, Fort Hare District Sunday Sch. Union,

5, Westwood Road,

I have no doubt these principles are present to the minds of the Dear Committee, and I venture to offer these remarks only in view of the misapprehension I have found, and that we may successfully secure the carrying out wherever possible of the fruitful idea which emerged in the discussions of last Conference.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

Henry

No steps having been taken between the Conference of 1959 and that of 1960, towards the formation of a Sunday School Association for South Africa, there was nothing to report to the latter Conference, and matters stand as when the 1959 resolution was adopted.

I note that you hope that later on provision may be made for the Native and Coloured peoples under a Missionary Section of the projected National Association for South Africa. Whenever you approach this part of the work which will touch the interests with which the General Missionary Conference is specially concerned, and have any proposals to submit, I shall be glad to bring these before the Executive.

Thanking you for your letter and assuring you of my personal interest in what you have in prospect,

Yours faithfully,



LOVEDALE,

18th February 4.

John G. Birch, Esq.,
Gen. Secy., Port Elizabeth & District Sunday Sch. Union,
3, Westwood Road, PORT ELIZABETH.

Dear Sir,

I beg to thank you for your letter of the 13th instant. Presumably you are familiar with the terms of the resolution on Sunday Schools passed by the Gen. Missionary Conference of S. Africa on 5th July 1909. They are as follows: "The Conference, having heard the statement of the deputation of the World's Sunday School Association, would welcome the formation of a South African Sunday School Association, having as its aim the improvement and extension of this branch of Church and Missionary effort among the young; and this Conference authorises its Executive to join with existing local Sunday School Unions and denominational bodies in South Africa in discussing such proposal."

No steps having been taken between the Conference of 1909 and that of 1912, towards the formation of a Sunday School Association for South Africa, there was nothing to report to the latter Conference, and matters stand as when the 1909 resolution was adopted.

I note that you hope that later on provision may be made for the Native and Coloured peoples under a Missionary Section of the projected National Association for South Africa. Whenever you approach this part of the work which will touch the interests with which the General Missionary Conference is specially concerned, and have any proposals to submit, I shall be glad to bring these before the Executive.

Thanking you for your letter and assuring you of my personal interest in what you have in prospect,

Yours faithfully,



28 May
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Love Dale, Natal, S. Africa.

27th May 4.

My Dear Taylor,

Thanks for yours of the 22nd instant. I am slowly recovering strength and hardly dare yet look at my desk with its accumulation of screens. I am glad you have the definite prospect of a man being with you in July and that you have not to face the new session alone.

I have gone carefully into your circular letter of the 15th April and approve of the lines you suggest. They are very comprehensive. I am sending you a supply of stationery. I have only 18s. in hand, so that any printing will have to be paid for out of funds to be obtained at next Conference. Probably you will save time if you get the printing done near you. If however you would like it done here you can count on me to correct proofs for you and so save time in that respect.

With kind regards to Mrs. Taylor and yourself,

Yours sincerely,

J. Lennox

I have much pleasure in conveying this resolution to you, and trust you will see your way to accept. Those suggested for the Committee have not yet been communicated with, it being thought better that this should be done by the Convener.

Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,

Secretary of Conference.



L o v e d a l e ,
Dunlop, Natal, So. Africa.

27th May, 4.

Rev. E. Jacottet,
The M o r i j a .
The London Missionary Society,
16 New Bridge St.,
Dear Mr. Jacottet, London, E.C.

At a meeting of the Sub-Committee of the Executive of the General Missionary Conference which was held at Bloemfontein last January it was agreed to arrange for three Commissions for the next Conference at Maritzburg in July 1915, viz., (1) On Uniformity of Discipline as arranged at last Conference, (2) On the Training and Employment of Native Ministers and Evangelists, and (3) On the Liquor Question in its bearing on Natives.

It was agreed to ask you to undertake the Convenership of the second of these three Commissions, and it was suggested that the following be invited to act on the Commission: Revs. E. Jacottet (Convener), J. D. Taylor, J. Lennox, E. O. Barratt, A. M. Hofmeyr, G. Eiselen, Archdeacon Wyche, and J. A. Helden.

I have much pleasure in conveying this resolution to you, and trust you will see your way to accept. Those suggested for the Committee have not yet been communicated with, it being thought better that this should be done by the Convener.

The Committee now asks that you will give the matter your early attention, and state whether your Society will be able to enter the said report in the near future. In order that preliminary incorporated in the Committee's report to the 1915 meeting of Conference it is desirable that they reach the Convener before Jan. 1, 1915 if possible.

Yours Sincerely,

Convener of Committee on Survey and Occupation,
Convener of Com. on Survey and Occupation,

Secretary of Conference.



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Impolweni, Natal, So. Africa.

Impolweni, Natal, So. Africa.

22nd May,

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The Dutch Reformed Church Missionary Board,
The Rhenish Missionary Society,

The London Missionary Society,
16, New Bridge St.,

Dear Sirs, London, E.C.

The General Missionary Conference of South Africa at its meeting in 1912 at Capetown, as well as at previous meetings considered seriously the general Missionary Conference of South Africa at its meeting here at Capetown, as well as at previous meetings considered seriously the problem of the evangelization of the great areas still unoccupied within the South African field. A previous Conference had laid down the principles that the Societies that should advance into unoccupied territory are those that are nearest in geographical situation and linguistic affinity to the area and that are able and willing should be invited where in South Africa and that are able and willing should be invited or permitted to occupy.

The 1912 Conference voted that through its Committee on Survey and Occupation approach should be made to certain Societies "with the definite and urgent request to state whether they are prepared within (say) the next three years to enter the... (such) unoccupied fields with a view to adequate occupation".

Among the Societies mentioned was The London Missionary Society, and the territory for which it was considered responsible was the Sebungwe District and adjacent parts of Southern Rhodesia. The first step towards this has been much delay in undertaking the correspondence proposed. The Committee now asks that you will give the matter your early attention, and state whether your Society will be able to enter the said area in the near future. In order that replies may be incorporated in the Committee's report to the 1915 meeting of Conference it is desirable that they reach the Convener before Jan. 1, 1915 if possible.

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Secretary of Conference.

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Impolwent, Natal, So. Africa.

22nd May, 1915.

22nd May 4

The Dutch Reformed Church Missionary Board, 22nd May,
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Barmer, Germany.

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Among the Societies mentioned was the Rhenish Missionary Society, and the territory for which it was considered responsible was the Northern and Northeastern portions of German South West Africa.

Unfortunately owing to the absence from the field of the Convener first appointed there has been much delay in undertaking the correspondence promised. The Committee now asks that you will give the matter your early attention, and state whether your Society will be able to enter the said area in the near future. In order that replies may be incorporated in the Committee's report to the 1915 meeting of Conference it is desirable that they reach the Convener before Jan. 1, 1915 if possible.

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Secretary of Conference.

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Impolweni, Natal, South Africa

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Box 1444, Capetown,

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Among the Societies mentioned was The Dutch Reformed Church Missionary Board and the territory for which it was considered responsible was the "Chibic District" and adjacent parts of Southern Rhodesia. The Societies mentioned was The Finnish Missionary Society.

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Secretary of Conference.

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Impolweni, Natal, So. Africa.
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22nd, May, 4.
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The Finnish Missionary Society,
The Finnish Missionary Society,
Helsingfors, Finland.
Aldgate, London, E.C.

Dear Sir,

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Unfortunately owing to the absence from the field of the Convener first appointed there has been much delay in undertaking the correspondence proposed. The Committee now asks that you will give the matter your early attention and state whether your Society will be able to enter the said area in the near future. In order that replies may be incorporated in the Committee's report to the 1915 meeting of Conference it is desirable that they reach the Convener before Jan. 1, 1915 if possible.

Impolweni, Natal, So. Africa.

22nd May, 4

The Wesleyan Missionary Society,
7 Carlisle Ave., Jewry St.,
Aldgate, London, E.C.

Dear Sir,

The General Missionary Conference of South Africa at its meeting in 1912 at Capetown, as well as at previous meetings considered seriously the problem of the evangelization of the great areas still unoccupied within the South African field. A previous Conference had laid down the principles that

a. The Societies that should advance into unoccupied territory are those that are nearest in geographical situation and linguistic affinity.

b. Failing these any other Societies already at work elsewhere in South Africa and that are able and willing should be invited or permitted to occupy.

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Yours Sincerely,

Convener of Committee on Survey and Occupation

Secretary of Conference.



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& that of the men in the field
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raise no objection to the Amer.
B. crossing the boundary
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boundary still be called
the Sabi. River.

In Amer. My love & million
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Note:

Letters in corresponding terms were also sent to
1st June

1) The Methodist Episcopal Church Missionary Society
Dear Mr. [unclear]
Rev. J. D. Taylor 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City

Impolvent, I send you
with reference to

The Tete District south of the Zambezi's
Portuguese East Africa, also Portuguese
East Africa Company of the Zambezi.

2) My Dear Taylor,

I am sorry in receipt of your letter, and have
signed and dispatched the Societies are indicated for this
occurred to your district viz. the Methodist Episcopal
secretaries of the Church of the Province of the first
I make that suggestion, as I think it would be unfortunate
intimation on such an important subject. American Board, it
is suggested that in case they make any re-
presentations they might wish to make any re-
presentation in the field, a working agreement be
arranged as to division of territory.

The American Board is already
re-occupying Beira which it was
obliged temporarily to abandon.
Thanks, I am very truly yours,
J. D. Taylor

3) The American Board of Commissioners
for Foreign Missions

14 Beacon Street, Congregational Hall
Boston, Mass.

(3) The Right Reverend the Archbishop
The Church of the Province of S. Africa.

Letters to (2) & (3) in terms similar
as to (1)



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Lovedale, July

1st June

Dear Mr. Bridgman,
Rev. J. D. Taylor,

Impolweni,

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Liquor Commission. It was stupid of us not to think of Mrs. Mackenzie at
Dear Taylor, has given so much attention to the subject. Should the

general feeling I am duly in receipt of yours of the 26th ultimo, and have
signed and dispatched the letters to the Societies. I suppose it has
occurred to you to send copies of these letters to the South African
secretaries of such Societies as are located in Europe? If not, may
I make that suggestion, as I think it would be unfortunate if the first
intimation on such an important subject came from the Home societies.
Also, a copy to the men in the field would enable them to make any re-
presentations they might wish to make, and this might save time.

In answer to a question in a former letter, I have a letter from
Jacottet and he will take up the Theological training commission, a
matter on which he truly remarks he has some information.

Thanks, I am slowly regaining my strength, but I still require to
exercise great caution, and can take my students for only a part of
each day.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Fleming

P.S. is there any general...
Murray's suggestion for postponing the next meeting of conference till Mr.
Mott could be with us? His idea I think is to have a conference with se-
lected delegates rather than a general conference of all who can assemble.



Sub Committee 9/97
Presented

Lovedale,

1st July

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Lovedale, 5th August

Dear Mr. Bridgman,

Rev. A. J. Murray has written strongly urging the view, with which he says others agree, that the General Missionary Conference should not meet at Liquor Commission. It was stupid of me not to think of Mrs. Mackenzie and Kimberley as she has given so much attention to the subject. Should the Dr. Mott to lift us right out on to a new platform. It is a general feeling to ask her to act, I shall write to Mr. Wark. He is a

very busy man, and he would not misunderstand if Mrs. Mackenzie were appointed, and we would still have his sympathy. Of course I have had no communication with Mrs. Mackenzie on the matter, and do not know whether she is free to take on this work. Please let me know what you think is best in the circumstances.

I shall be glad to have these letters returned when you have finished with them. My desire was expressed that I arrange to work so as to visit the African continent some time within two or three years in order to confer with groups of missionaries and native leaders along lines similar to those which I have followed in Asia. I have promised to give the matter careful consideration. As I wrote you, it may be impossible for me to attend your Conference in 1915, or to visit Africa that year. To my P.S. is there any general feeling that you have met in favour of Mr. Murray's suggestion for postponing the next meeting of Conference till Dr. Mott could be with us? His idea I think is to have a conference with selected delegates rather than a general conference of all who can assemble.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



at some other time than the holding of the triennial Missionary Conference if he is to render the best kind of service that he has recently done in Asia."

Sub-Committee of Executive

It is clearly to indicate that the question of our next General Conference should be considered on its own merits, and irrespective of whether Dr. Wott can visit South Africa or not.

Lovedale, 5th August

I should be glad to receive from you as a member of the Sub-Committee Dear

of the Executive an expression of opinion on the matter. Rev. G. J. Murray has written strongly urging the view, with which he says others agree, that the General Missionary Conference should not meet in 1915 but be postponed till Dr. Wott can come to South Africa. "It is no use our jogging along as we have been doing in the past. We need a man like Dr. Wott to lift us right on to a new platform. If we compare his conferences in Asia with ours, then one feels we'd better give it up."

Mr. Murray adds that he may be sailing on 22nd instant to attend the Continuation Committee meeting at Oxford, 19th - 25th September, and he asks an expression of opinion in view of the fact that "undoubtedly Dr. Wott will want to discuss the organising of the Conference or conferences to be held during his visit."

What Dr. Wott himself has said about the possibility of a visit to South Africa in a letter of date 13th December 1913 is: "There (at a meeting of the Continuation Committee) a strong desire was expressed that I arrange my work so as to visit the African continent some time within two or three years in order to confer with groups of missionaries and native leaders along lines similar to those which I have followed during the past year in the twenty-one private conferences which I conducted throughout Asia. I have promised to give the matter careful consideration. As I wrote you, it will be impossible for me to attend your Conference in 1915, or to visit Africa that year. To my mind however a visit a year or two later may be all the more useful in view of the discussions of your forth-coming Conference."

Rev. J. H. Oldham on 9th January of this year wrote: "It was the judgment of at least some members of the Committee that apart altogether from the question of date, it might perhaps be better for Dr. Wott to visit South Africa



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Rev. A. G. ...
Rev. ...
Stellenbosch.

Yours sincerely,

My Dear Marjory,

After receipt of your letter of the 24th ultimo I circularised the members of the Sub-Committee of the Executive and put the matter before them. The opinion is unanimous that the General Conference is of quite a different character from the special conference Dr. Wott held in the District and which he has indicated that he hopes to hold in South Africa. The general feeling is that the question of the General Conference has to be considered by itself and apart from the question of the conference or conferences which may be organised along the line of Dr. Wott's special gift of service.

The replies all indicate that the war may necessitate consideration of whether a General Conference should be held in 1915, but it is too soon yet to discuss that question.

with kind regards,

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Yours sincerely,

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Yours very sincerely,



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Lovedale, C.F.,

Lovedale,

15th August

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Rev. A. G. Murray, B.A.,
Rev. Walter J. Cording,
Stellenbosch.

Dear Mr. Cording,

My Dear Murray,

I have now send you the full text of the circular
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whether a General Conference should be held in 1915, but it is too soon
yet to discuss that question.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

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Yours very sincerely,



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Lovedale, C.P.,

Lovedale, S. Africa,
15th August 4.
28th September 4.

Rev. E. Scudder, B.A.,
Rev. Walter B. Cordingley,
Greytown

Dear Mr. Scudder,

I now send you the full text of Mr. Oldham's
letter to which the draft letter posted to you this morning is
based. In the service which the Executive are asked to under-

take, I had to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the
28th ultimo forwarding a recommendation of the Natal Missionary Conference,
which I shall bring in due course before the General Missionary Conference,
which I shall bring in due course before the General Missionary Conference,
which I shall bring in due course before the General Missionary Conference,
which I shall bring in due course before the General Missionary Conference,

I remain,
your Auxiliary Committee are taking energetic steps to provide
you with aid. I hope your most pressing
anxiety in this connection, or that it will be in the near
future.

The offer of help GENERAL SECRETARY Oldham's committee
has made is for the Continental missions and if your need is
still unrelieved, and you desire to take advantage of the ser-
vices of the General Missionary Conference Executive to make
a representation to the British Committee, I am glad to be at
your service.

I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

Handwritten signature



Love dale, 5th October 1914.

Rev. A. J. ...
President,
Gen. Sec. Conference of S. Africa,
Durban.

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Dear Mr. ...
... of the 28th, 29th
and 30th ultimo, and also telegrams from Revs. J. D.
Taylor, K. G. ... and ...
... based on Mr. ...
... that my husband is ...
... 28th September 4.

Rev. E. ...
Morpington Square,

Dear Mr. ...

Dear Mr. ... I now send you the full text of Mr. Oldham's
letter on which the draft letter posted to you this morning is
with whose principles I am in fullest accord. I shall be glad
based. In the service which the Executive are asked to under-
take, Mr. Oldham asks that the position of the Branch missions
Missionary Conference delegated their powers to a Sub-Committee
should also be kept in view. I am glad to see his remark that
President (Rev. J. D. Taylor), the General Secretary and Treasurer
your Auxiliary Committee are taking energetic steps to provide
you with aid. I hope this has relieved your most pressing
anxiety in this connection, or that it will do so in the near
future. The offer of help, however, that Mr. Oldham's committee
has made is for the Continental missions and if your need is
still unrelieved, and you desire to take advantage of the ser-
vices of the General Missionary Conference Executive to make
a representation to the British Committee, I am glad to be at
your service.

Yours sincerely,

I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

J. ...

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,



Love Dale,
6th October 1914.

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Rev. A. J. Lennard,
President,
Gen. Miss. Conference of S. Africa,
Clarebury.

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Dear Mr. Lennard,
I duly received your letters of the 28th, 29th
and 30th ultimo, and also telegrams and letters from Revs. J. D.
Taylor, W. C. Willoughby and A. Enoch Love Dale, S. Africa,
based on Mr. Adham's communication. Mrs. A. G. Murray
advised that her husband is from home. Mr. Adham's assistant from Mr.
Oliver of a copy of the letter Mr. Adham had addressed to me
anticipating that he would be putting himself into touch with
the Executive Committee in Cape Town.

Rev. J. H. Gisham, M.A.,
1, Charlotte Square,
Edinburgh.

I have given careful consideration to all the suggestions you
have made. I have a copy of the letter which has been issued
to the General Conference. It has been sent to every General Mis-
sionary Conference that has been possible, as it contains a sum-
mary of the proposals.

Dear Mr. Gisham,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 2nd instanc
with whose principles I am in fullest accord. I shall be glad
to assist to the utmost of my power.

The Executive Committee appointed at the Cape Town General
Missionary Conference delegated their powers to a Sub-Committee
of seven, viz., The President (Rev. A. J. Lennard), The Vice-
President (Rev. J. D. Taylor), The General Secretary and Treasur-
er (Rev. J. Enoch), The Record Secretary (Rev. A. C. Murray),
and Revs. W. C. Willoughby (Tiger Kloof), H. Kischke (Johannes-
burg), and E. Acottet (Morija). To these I have this morning
sent out for approval a draft letter, of which I enclose a copy,
and have asked them to reply by wire so as to save time. In the
course of a few days I shall be in touch with all the German
missionaries or their official representatives in South Africa,
except German South-West Africa, with which owing to the existing
state of war there is no postal communication. We again replied
will almost certainly reply to the circular. I think the circular
to be shall let you know what replies are received, and note your
suggestion to cable if necessary.
I have also communicated with the Basutoland missionaries.

Replies are to remain in your hands. All replies to hand agree
ing the Conference Yours sincerely,
to postponement.

With regard to procedure, I think the course hitherto follow-
ed by us has answered well, viz. that all communications go out
from myself as General Secretary, and I shall follow my practice
hitherto of referring all matters to you as President.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

A. Lennard



Lovedale,
5th October 1914.

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Rev. A. J. Tennard,
President,
Gen. Miss. Conference of S. Africa,
Clarkebury.

Dear Mr. Tennard,
I duly received your letters of the 28th, 29th and 30th ultimo, and also telegrams and letters from Revs. J. D. Taylor, W. C. Willoughby and H. Mischke agreeing to the draft letter based on Mr. Oldham's communication. Mrs. A. G. Murray wired that her husband is from home. Mr. Taylor on receipt from Mr. Oldham of a copy of the letter Mr. Oldham had addressed to me anticipated action by myself by putting himself into touch with the German missions in Natal.

I have given careful consideration to all the suggestions you have made. I enclose a copy of the letter which has been issued to the German brethren. It has been sent to every German missionery, so far as that has been possible, as it contains a message of Christian sympathy which it is valuable that each should receive direct. It is asked, however, that representations of needs be submitted through the Superintendents, not by individual missionaries. This meets, to my mind, the situation you have discussed. The responsibility for submitting representations must rest with the Societies concerned, speaking through their official spokesmen. That being so, the Sub-Committee of Executive will not be called on to examine critically the representations submitted (as could be done by a Finance Committee of a Church dealing with its own members, as you have outlined), and possibly the Sub-Committee may not be called on to distribute any relief sent from Mr. Oldham's committee. I am strengthened in this belief by the fact that has come to my knowledge that Mr. Oldham in addition to writing to us has put himself into direct communication with such German missions and missionaries as he knows. There inevitably results a little over-lapping in the work of necessity. Those who have heard directly from Mr. Oldham will almost certainly reply to him directly, and be again replied to by him. Taking all these facts together, I think the circular letter now issued meets the immediate situation, and it is so worded as to leave us free to consider any further steps which later developments may suggest.

Yours sincerely,
Replies are coming in to your previous letter about postponing the Conference arranged for 1915. All replies have agreed to postponement.

General Secretary.

With regard to procedure, I think the course hitherto followed by us has answered well, viz. that all communications go out from myself as General Secretary, and I shall follow my practice hitherto of referring all matters to you as President.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

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Lovedale,
10th October 1914.

Dear Mr. Rosset,

I enclose a copy of a letter that has been addressed to me by the Rev. J. H. Odham on behalf of the Standing Committee of the British Missionary Societies. In it he tells of steps which have been taken to raise funds to help Continental Missions whose work must be suffering financial embarrassment because of the war. The letter dwells at length on the difficulties likely to be experienced by the German missions, and also says that the position of the French Missions should ~~not~~ also be kept in view.

Though Switzerland is not drawn into the war, she is, I understand, very seriously affected alike in her population, industry and finance, and the work of the Mission Romande may be suffering in the same way as that of Societies and Churches whose headquarters are in the belligerent countries. I feel therefore that I am acting in the spirit of Mr. Odham's letter in sending to you intimation of the offer of assistance which his Committee is making, so that you may submit a statement of your needs if you desire so to do. Any such statement sent to me will be at once transmitted to Mr. Odham.

I am sending a copy of this letter also to Rev. R. V. ...
Assuring you of my fraternal sympathy in the difficulties that have to be faced at the present time,

Yours very sincerely,
I remain,
Yours sincerely,
J. Lennett
General Secretary.

Rev. P. Rosset,
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13th October 4.
13th October 4.

Rev. J. H. Odham, M.A.,
1, Charlotte Square,
Edinburgh.

Dear Mr. Odham,

I send you the replies received from the British and Slavonic Missions to the circular letter issued to all German missionaries in South Africa excepting German South-West Africa. Other replies will come in too late to catch this mail.

I am sending you only the replies from Superintendents. There have been many references from individual missionaries. Here is one which is typical of many others: "I wish to express my hearty thanks for your kind letter received to-day. I am sure even if it may prove impossible to aid our work, the thanks due to those who so kindly thought of us will be no less sincere and abundant."

Rev. H. Eschke of Johannesburg writes: "The spirit both of your and of Mr. Odham's letter makes our hearts rejoice, because it is moving our oneness in Christ, and shows that our faith in the *Ana sancta catholica ecclesia* is no empty phrase but a glorious reality. I hereby desire to express my warmest thanks to you and the Rev. Odham for the true Christian friendship shown in your letters towards the German missionaries in these times of anxiety and distress. A friend in need is a friend indeed."

With kind regards,
Yours very sincerely,

Henry

If you have any such... shall on receipt of it put myself to... Committee of the Executive on the matter.

I remain,
Yours sincerely,
General Secretary.



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Lovedale,
18th October 4.

Dear Sir,

In the replies that have already been received to the circular
Rev. J. Weber, recently to Nelson Mandela, I have had more than
one request to suggest that the members of the General Mission
Stellenbosch.

Dear Mr. Weber
I am in receipt of your letter of the 9th instant
for which I thank you. With reference to the removal of three
of your missionaries from their stations, I had already heard
through Rev. A. C. Murray of two of these, and wrote a letter
which Mr. Lennard and I have signed, to the Minister of Defence
associating ourselves with the representation made by the
the members of the Dutch Reformed Church. Our information
related to two, whereas you mention three, but it will be better
to reply to the letter already sent, before we should
attempt further representation about the third instance.

If you have any such representation you wish to submit, I
shall on receipt of it put myself in communication with the
Committee of the Executive on the matter.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

J. Lennard

Rev. H. Behrens
Supt.

I remain,
Yours sincerely,
General Secretary:



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W. H. Harnis
London

14th October, 4.
South Africa
21st October 4.

Dear Sir,

In the replies that have already been received to the circular letter issued recently to German missionaries, I have had more than one request or suggestion that the Executive of the General Missionary Conference should make representations to the Union Government in the case of missionaries of German nationality who have been removed from their stations as prisoners of war. In one letter definite facts have been quoted.

I have not yet communicated with the Sub-Committee of Executive on this matter, and cannot anticipate their action. Before any possible action could be considered, it would be necessary to have the full facts, detailing names of missionaries affected and their stations, reasons assigned, position in which their families and work are left, action already taken by their own Society, and any other relevant information.

If you have any such information which you wish to submit, I shall on receipt of it put myself in communication with the Sub-Committee of the Executive on the matter.

I remain,
Yours sincerely,
W. H. Harnis
General Secretary.

Rev. H. Behrens
Supt.



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2. Lovedale,
Lovedale 4th November 4.
South Africa,
21st October 4.

My Dear Murray,

In reply to your letter of the 2nd instant, I think you should set up your own suggestion of helping the Rhenish Mission of which you have direct knowledge. I have had replies from a large number of German missionaries to the circular letter about support, and have sent these to Mr. Gidder. The Berlin mission which is a large land-owner has been granted special permission by the Government of letters received since last security of their property. The Maravians are in no immediate need and have the Maravians, Linokana, Transvaal, Supt. Hermanns- Mr. Frigge of the Hanoverian Free Mission, as the only German missionary who on behalf of, Hermanns, Supt. Cape Synod, ance. One other asked in a Berlin Missionary Society. a loan without Mr. Frigge, Supt. Orange Synod. Perhaps the most pressing in Berlin Missionary Society, we know ledge is that of the Mission de Hoop, P. O. Amyspruit, Piet Retief, will see a statement they have Transvaal, Hanoverian Free Church Miss. ent issue of the, Gidder, Hermanns, Interton, Natal, Berlin Luth Miss.

also Capt. W. S. ... represented officially 21,000 of ... which were ... reference in Mr. Gidder's letter for any information to guide you in the ... by the ... themselves. The Union ... permission to the Berlin Society, ... on their properties, ... needs ... help Basutoland ... Mr. Frigge's letter ... detailed informat- ... of the Hanoverian Free Church Mission but to the date of writing no reply has come in.

Yes, the position of the religious leaders of Germany is extraordinary. It makes clear that this is a war not only of national ambition and desire for supremacy on the part of Germany, but also that it is inspired by ideals that in our view are subversive of Christ. ... took the gospel of Bernhardt & Co. as the extreme vapourings of journalists ready to say anything to make a sensation and procure a sale. We wear taken. They truly presented the awful view of life and its



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7th November

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My Dear Murray,

In reply to your letter of the 2nd instant, I think you should act on your own suggestion of helping the Rhenish Mission of whose needs you have direct knowledge. I have had replies from a large number of German missionaries to the circular letter about support, and have sent these to Mr. Adham. The Berlin mission which is a large land-owner has been granted special permission by the Government here to raise a loan on the security of their property. The Moravians are in no immediate need and have the Moravian community in England at their back. Mr. Prigge of the Hanoverian Free Church was the only German missionary who on behalf of his mission asked directly for assistance. One other asked if a sum of money could be advanced as a loan without interest, to be repaid when the troubles are over. Perhaps the most pressing case of need that has come to my knowledge is that of the Mission Romande, and in this connection you will see a statement they have sent for publication in the current issue of the "Christian Express".

As regards Basutoland and Barotseland have you heard that Capt. Wisely has given the first £1,000 and promised the last £1,000 of £10,000 which is being raised in Britain for these two missions. It was to this effort, I take it, that the reference in Mr. Adham's letter to me was made. When I saw your letter in the "Cape Argus" I wondered whether these facts had yet come to your knowledge, and I wrote to Mr. Jacottet on the matter. A number of the Christian public in S. Africa know of Capt. Wisely's generous action, and in any effort to help Basutoland and Barotseland neither you nor we, who had already at an earlier date made a similar appeal through the "Christian Express" would wish to appear to ignore what is being so nobly undertaken in Britain.

Yes, the position of the religious leaders of Germany is extraordinary. It makes clear that this is a war not only of national ambition and desire for expansion and supremacy on the part of Germany, but also that it is inspired by ideals that in our view are subversive of Christianity. We took the gospel of Bernhardt & Co. as the extreme vapourings of journalists ready to say anything to make a sensation and procure a sale. We were mistaken. They truly presented the awful view of life and its



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-2- Lovedale, Lovedale, South Africa

4th December

Dear Mr. Leonard,

On 30th November a joint deputation waited at Pretoria on Sir Andries Stockenström, Commissioner for Enemy Subjects, to see responsibilities which Germany has entertained, till she has become incapable, with all her scientific insight and acumen, of seeing its fundamental opposition to the ideals of the Gospel. We already have travelled far from the original question between Austria and Serbia, and even from the question of the departing from national plighted word on the disregard of Belgium's neutrality. The essential issue is seen to be a spiritual one, namely whether the doctrine is to be allowed to prevail that "might is right." The cost of the conflict is incalculable, but the issue of it cannot be doubted.

accompanied by letters from British subjects of responsible position. To us as missionaries there is a very special duty to see to it that while taking our full share in our national duties, we ever bear in mind that we are officers in another Kingdom, and that we do all in our power to preserve the bridges that afford communication with our German fellow-missionaries, who like ourselves are citizens of that higher Kingdom.

The most difficult. Ordinarily the local Magistrate is the only responsible authority. I have heard nothing about Donald Fraser for quite a long time. We therefore asked Mr. Deane to apply to the Magistrate to furnish the guaranteeing statements wherever possible. He agreed to this and made two remarks:

- 1. That he would not do so on mere general grounds, but would require specific reasons.
- 2. He would forward all favourable reports to Sir A. Stockenström.

With kindest regards,
Yours sincerely,
L. L. L.

The representatives of the Transvaal Missionary Association undertook to get themselves in touch with the cases of Transvaal missionaries who are interned, so that action on the lines indicated may be taken. I suggest (1) that the Natal Missionary Conference take similar action for the Natal part; (2) that the Mission Board of the Dutch Reformed Church act on behalf of the Western part of the Cape Province; and (3) that Ep. van Oosterzee take up the cases of the Moravian missionaries from the Transvaal.

So far as I know this will cover the whole ground. If there are others not provided for by these suggested arrangements, I shall be glad to have details.

Yours sincerely,
L. L. L.



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Lovedale,
Lovedale, South Africa

4th December 4.

Dear Mr. Lennard,

On 30th November a joint deputation waited at Pretoria on Sir Andries Stockenström, Commissioner for Enemy Subjects, to represent the case of the German missionaries interned as prisoners of war. The General Missionary Conference was represented by myself, and the Transvaal Missionary Association by Revs. F. J. Bridgeman, C. E. Hamilton, F. Fouché, Father Barnes and E. Creux.

In reply to our representations Sir A. Stockenström said:

- 1. That older missionaries are now being left undisturbed, and such as have been interned are being released.
- 2. All missionaries along the Rand are being left at their stations.

3. For all others, he agreed to receive representations if accompanied by letters from British subjects of responsible position, guaranteeing that the German missionary in question had devoted himself to his proper work, and neither by intention nor indiscretion had done anything to disturb the minds of the Natives.

Mr. Creux and I went on to see Mr. Dower, at the Native Affairs Department. We put the position before him and said that the case of the missionary in a lonely and isolated situation is the most difficult. Ordinarily the local Magistrate is the only responsible person who is in a position to speak with knowledge of missionaries so situated. We therefore asked Mr. Dower to allow application to be made to the Magistrates to furnish the guaranteeing statements wherever possible. He agreed to this and made two remarks:

- 1. That he would not accept an adverse report on mere general grounds, but would require any such report to be supported by reasons.
- 2. He would forward all favourable replies to Sir A. Stockenström.

The representatives of the Transvaal Missionary Association undertook to get themselves in touch with the cases of Transvaal missionaries who are interned, so that action on the lines indicated may be taken. I suggest (1) that the Natal Missionary Conference take similar action for the Natal men; (2) that the Mission Board of the Dutch Reformed Church act on behalf of the Western part of the Cape Province; and (3) that Bp. van Calker take up the cases of the Moravian missionaries from the Transkei.

So far as I know this will cover the whole ground. If there are others not provided for by these suggested arrangements, I shall be glad to have details.

Yours sincerely,
J. Lennard



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Lovedale, South Africa,

5th December

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Dear Mr. Eldham,

As Secretary of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa, I have during the past month received many letters from and about German missionaries who have been interned as prisoners of war. The subject was a delicate one, and all the more so because of the South African rebellion, in connection with which, ~~xxxxx~~ the Government have proof that some German missionaries have been neither wise nor discreet. Eventually it seemed right for me to go to Pretoria to consider the case of the interned missionaries with the Government. This I did last Monday, and was accompanied by a few of the Johannesburg missionaries.

I arranged with the Secretary of the Native Affairs Department. We were received by the Commissioner for Enemy Subjects, Sir Andries Stockenström, Bart., and it fell to me to present the case. It was made clear that we did not challenge the right of the Government to intern all subjects of hostile countries, and also that where any individuals had been exerting a prejudicial influence on the minds of the Natives either by intention or indiscretion, we had no plea to present. But where German missionaries had been interned only as part of a general decision to intern all enemy subjects, we presented these considerations:-

- a. The great service done to South Africa by missionaries, and, amongst these, by Germans.
- b. The unsettling effect on the Natives where these have been deprived of the controlling personalities who direct their Church and educational life.
- c. The danger for the future of missionary work, occasioned by the lowering of the prestige of their missionaries in the eyes of the Natives, and the soreness left in the minds of the missionaries and the Societies they represent. It is true that many of the missionaries have not been naturalised, but that is in accordance with missionary practice and policy everywhere, and while they technically are aliens, they are alien friends.

Rev. J. ...
Sir Andries replied that, the rebellion being now more in hand:

- a. Older missionaries, who, he considered, were not so likely to be impregnated with the virulent poison of Bern-



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LONDON, S. AFRICA,

7th December 1904.

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- Hardi & Co., would now be left undisturbed or be released.
- b. All missionaries along the Rand will now be left undisturbed.
 - c. In the case of all others, he will be prepared to receive representations if accompanied by guarantees from British subjects of responsible position, that the missionaries in question had devoted themselves to their proper work, and done nothing to inflame the minds of the Natives.

I arranged with the Secretary of the Native Affairs Department that Magistrates, who in the case of missionaries in isolated situations are often the only local persons of standing who know the missionaries, should be asked wherever possible to furnish the necessary guarantee.

Before I left Pretoria and Johannesburg, I saw two of the senior German missionaries, Messrs Schloemann and Kuschke, who said to me that whether or not any missionaries may be released because of the representation we had made, the fact that representation had been made and the brotherly spirit thus manifested will never be forgotten by the German missionaries and their Societies. That result I regard as of the greatest value for the future.

I remain,
Yours sincerely,

Rev. J. H. Oldham, M.A.,
1, Charlotte Square,
Edinburgh.



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Lovedale, S. AFRICA,
7th December 4.

Dear Mr. Oldham,

My expenses connected with the visit to Pretoria
for which I thank you very much. I fully appreciate the need for your
having such information in connection with the interned German missionaries come to
I have nothing very new to add with different points as they emerge. At present
I enclose for your reference a bill of 9 sh. for printing the letter to
and the General Missionary Conference has no money in hand. I
men brethren have undertaken. There is no doubt in my mind that our Ger-
trust you will be able to assist me to meet the amount. The in-
trust that when the visit is bound to have on the future relations
fluence which this visit is bound to have on the future relations
aries and make future co-operation between British and German missionaries in South Africa is well worth
the delay that has been incurred.

I also have a small bill of 9 sh. for printing the letter to
the German missionaries which I issued after receiving your
correspondence which of course I should have sent to you. This is still unpaid. The
request to get into touch with them. This is still unpaid. The
for declining to furnish a bill which was considerable, I met locally.
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always able to brush them aside. Individuals have therefore
suffered where requests are not granted. But the main
fact remains that our German brethren recognized that an honest
and whole-hearted endeavour was made by the Gener-
al Missionary Conference, and especially by the British members
on it.

Yours very sincerely,
Henry

May I ask you to return these two letters? I think the
originals will interest you more than copies would do.

With kind regards,
Yours very sincerely,

Henry



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Lovedale,
South Africa,
27th February 5.

Rev. J. E. Crowther,
Dear Mr. Oldham,

c/o Methodist Episcopal Mission

I am in receipt of your letter of the 5th instant for which I thank you. I fully appreciate the need for your having such information as you refer to, and shall see that you are kept in touch with salient points as they emerge. At present I have nothing very new to report. The arrangement come to by us with the Government here has on the whole worked fairly well. I enclose for your perusal two letters which show the effects of that arrangement. There is no doubt in my mind that our German brethren have accepted our intervention on their behalf in the spirit in which it was undertaken, and I have the strong hope that when the war is over the remembrance of this intervention will ease the situation as between the British and German missionaries and make future co-operation more easy than otherwise it might be.

As was to be expected, the working of the arrangement has not always been easy, seeing that it necessitated the services of guarantors of all manners of ways of viewing the war and how at Germans should be treated. In some instances missionaries or their wives had been indiscreet, especially in their private correspondence which of course was subject to examination by the Censors. In other instances, the reasons given by Magistrates for declining to furnish guarantees have been rather absurd, and yet sufficient for the Commissioner for Enemy Subjects to be not always able to brush them aside. Individuals have therefore suffered where relief might have been granted. But the main fact remains that our German brethren recognise that an honest and whole-hearted endeavour on their behalf was made by the General Missionary Conference, and especially by the British members on it.

May I ask you to return these two letters. I think the originals will interest you more than copies would do.

With kind regards,
Yours very sincerely,

Henry



Lovedale,
South Africa,

27th February 5.

Rev. J. E. Crowther,

c/o Methodist Episcopal Mission,

Rev. A. C. Murray, B.A.,
St. Mary's Church, Funchal, azor.

M a d e i r a .

Dear Sir,

I am duly in receipt of your letter of the 21st ult. in
which you make enquiries about the date of the next Triennial meeting of
the General Missionary Conference of South Africa. On account
of the war and the straitened circumstances of many missions and
missionaries, it has been decided to postpone the Conference in-
definitely. Should it be possible for you to visit us here at
Lovedale it will give us pleasure to meet you and give you all
information regarding our work. Kindly let me know in due course
when it may be convenient for you to visit us.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature



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Lovedale, South Africa,
Lovedale,
10th March, 1915.
11th March 5.

Dear Mrs. Murray,

I am sending you the file of my papers relating to
Rev. A. C. Murray, B.A.,
101 Mac Riebeck Street,
Stellenbosch for your information. May I ask you to
be good enough to return them immediately after your Presbytery
meeting.

Dear Mr. Murray,

I heartily approve of your suggestion, or rather
that of Dr. Murray, that a Missionaries' Prayer Union should be
started for South Africa. As Mr. Gardener has experience of the
work and is willing to undertake the correspondence, it is natural
and right that he should continue this service.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. L. ...

Yours sincerely,



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Lovdale, South Africa,
16th Mar. 1955.

Dear Mrs. Mre,

I am sending you the file of papers relating to the Union Parliament on the subject of Mrs. Mre's application for your information. May I ask you to be good enough to return them immediately after your meeting? released."

Our Vice-President, Rev. J. Dexter Taylor, an American working at the Union Theological Seminary at our U. F. Church mission of Inpolweni, Natal, has been able to touch with the interment camp in Natal. He reports that they have secured the release of seven missionaries (three of them from Germ. S. West) and that there are other six for whom he is working. He got permission for one to be released, but the German undertook to take some letters out with him for friends inside and he was sent back. The German of course claims that the letters were harmless, and it is quite likely they were, but it was a stupid thing to do, and it does not make the task any easier of those who are trying to get consideration for the interned.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Thompson

Mr. Taylor says the German brethren have been very cordial in their appreciation of the efforts on their behalf.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Thompson

...to hold it is... when, and what... think the only plan to adopt is... German societies out here and distribute... plan they may suggest. But as... the amount of help that was once... wisely's efforts, their past... money was sent for the relief of... to share. The amount for... and the... I am over to receive it.

With kind regards to you both,
Yours very sincerely,



Lovdale, South Africa,
16th March 1949

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Dear M. Oldham,

I enclose a report of Gen. Shuts' statement in the Union Parliament on the subject of interned Germans. You will note his remark about "clergymen with whom there had been a considerable amount of trouble, especially against missionaries, who were charged with having been at the bottom of the trouble in the Transkei. But against some no charges had been made and these had been released."

Our Vice-President, Rev. J. Dexter Taylor, an American working at the Union Theological College at our U. F. Church mission of Inpolweni, Natal, has been able to keep in touch with the interment camp in Natal. He reports that they have secured the release of seven missionaries (three of them from Germ. S. West) and that there are other six for whom he is working. He got permission for one to be released, but this man foolishly undertook to take some letters out with him for friends inside, and he was sent back. The German of course claims that the letters were harmless, and it is quite likely they were, but it was a stupid thing to do, and it does not make the task any easier of those who are trying to get consideration for the interned.

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With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Thomson

It is to be allocated for the present, then for what reason, I think the only plan to adopt is to distribute the money on whatever German societies out here and distribute the money on whatever the amount of help that was once hoped for as the result of Capt. Wisely's efforts, their need should also be remembered, for the money was sent for the relief of Continental societies. If all were to share, the amount for each would be so small, that no real mind has any suggestion I am open to receive it.

With kindest regards to you both,
Yours very sincerely,



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Lovedale, 16th March 5.

My Dear Taylor,

Thanks for your letter of the 10th. I congratulate you on the service you have been able to render to our brethren. This will help to ease the situation when hostilities are over.

It is good of you to offer to get into touch with the German missionaries for material to supply to Oldham. I daren't hwe asked you to do this, and even now I feel I must leave it to you to decide what you can undertake in view of all your other work.

I am puzzled to know how to act about the money sent out by Oldham. After paying the expenses to Pretoria and printing and postage of the circular letter to German missionaries I have in hand £75 . 13 . 2. The suggestions mde in reply to my announcement of the receipt of the money were so varied that I got no help from that quarter. Then came the vacation, and I had some time of family anxiety. I have just finished with the big amount of work entailed by the meeting last week of the General Council of the South African Native College, and as we propose to make a start in July, I shall have a lot of work ahead. So now is the first small breathing space I have had since Decembe to go into this matter. I feel I must come to a clear understanding in my own mind of the principle on which this money should be dealt with, that I may account for it in due time to the people oversea. If it is to be allocated now, then on what principle? If it is better to hold it in reserve for the present, then for what reason, till when, and what circumstances should release it? Sometimes I think the only plan to adopt is to write to the heads of the German societies out here and distribute the money on whatever plan they may suggest. But as Basutoland has ~~not~~ not received the amount of help that was once hoped for as the result of Capt. Wisely's efforts, their need should also be remembered, for the money was sent for the relief of Continental societies. If all are to share, the amount for each would be so small, that no real relief would be given to any body. If your practical American mind has any suggestion, I am open to receive it.

With kindest regards to you both,
Yours very sincerely,



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 Lovedale,

24th April 5.

Rev. F. Feige,
 Stellenbosch.

Dear Mr. Feige,

I have had an opportunity of consulting some of the members of the Sub-Committee of the General Missionary Conference about your case. It is certainly very hard to be so near to your work and yet unable to visit it. We question however whether the Sub-Committee could by correspondence do much more than has already been done. They cannot speak from personal knowledge of your circumstances, and could only press for relief on general grounds. It is very doubtful whether such an intervention would be of any avail.

In your petition to Mr. Melan you say that difficulty about your return was made by General Thompson. If anything is to be effected, the General's objections must be overcome, and that can best be done by a personal interview. I am forwarding the papers you sent me to Mr. J. C. Gibson, P.O. Box 325, Cape Town, who is Convener of the Cape Town section of the Conference's sub-committee, empowered to make representations to Government on any matters which may arise. (See P. 35 of the 1912 report of the General Missionary Conference at Cape Town.) He may be able to take up the matter personally with General Thompson, and this would be more effective than a written communication from our Committee. I suggest that you also write to Mr. Gibson.

for yourself whether you may soon be opened up for a return to your work.

With kind regards,

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,



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Lovedale,
Lovedale,
29th May 5.
24th April 5.

Reg. F. E. Ridgman,
J. C. Gibson, Esq.,
23 Beelaerts Street,
P. O. Box 325,
Troyeville, Johannesburg.
Cape Town.

Dear Mr. Ridgman,
Dear Mr. Gibson,

I have read with deep interest the draft report on Native Minor Enclosure papers from Rev. E. Eige, missionary at Serapts and Kullia River, now enparole at Stellenbosch, and a copy of a letter I am sending to him in reply. Do you think you can do anything in the matter? You will have means of hearing whether there is any reason why he is prevented from return to his station which I cannot learn here, and if his case is free from any indiscretion, you may be able to see General Thompson. On the information before me, I feel that I cannot do more than ask you to take the case into consideration and judge for yourself whether you can do anything in it.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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Lovedale,

29th May

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Rev. K E Bridgman,

The Executive,
21 Beelaerts Street,

Troyeville, Johannesburg.

Dear Mr. Bridgman,

I have read with deep interest the draft report on Native Labour and Housing which you have been good enough to send me. I shall show it to others in Lovedale interested in these questions. As soon as you are in a position to let us have a copy in its final state for reference in the press, I shall be glad to receive it and call attention to it in the "Christian I think Express". What you have done represents a great amount of work. Your Johannesburg conditions are so special that I do not feel I have at the moment any practical suggestion to offer. With the suggestions offered I am in hearty agreement, and wish you all the success in your endeavour to get better conditions for our native people.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. Lawrence

Therefore that you formally resolve to suspend further opera-

P. S. I have no more money - I have no funds, and I am not rapidly spending.



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Lovedale,
Lovedale,

29th May 5. 5.
7th June

Miss Ferguson,
The Members of the Sub-Committee of Executive,
Rev. A. C. Murray, B.A.,

Gentlemen Stellenbosch,

My Dear Mr. Murray writes that "in view of the decision that next meeting of Conference be postponed indefinitely, I think it is not worth while to continue the Commission on the Liquor Question. But if date be absent or I could not immediately after able to dissolve this Commission then I would like it to be terminated by your letter of the 10th instant, and hence some delay year's time I shall leave on through which is a year and in the year. With regard to the Social Service Committee, I think that it is better that your Committee wind up their operations and make action to submit the liquor question to the Executive when a date is to be submitted to the next Conference whenever may very likely be in a better position than this important term that may make it would not be wise in my judgment to attempt to reconstruct the Committee, since the fact that it has been possible to do very little is no doubt due to the Mr. Bridgman; (2) To dissolve the Commission when we see that whole situation should they were asked to undertake. My suggestion we are in a position to accept for the present. Therefore is that you formally resolve to suspend further operation of the Commission. I shall be glad of an expression of the better course to take, and if that is the case, ask Mr. Bridgman to own up to the members of his Commission, seeing that he asked him when he was appointed to send to the members the invitation of your Sub-Committee to sit.

There are two alternatives suggested by the Commission: (1) To continue the Commission to do very little is no doubt due to the Mr. Bridgman; (2) To dissolve the Commission when we see that whole situation should they were asked to undertake. My suggestion we are in a position to accept for the present. Therefore is that you formally resolve to suspend further operation of the Commission. I shall be glad of an expression of the better course to take, and if that is the case, ask Mr. Bridgman to own up to the members of his Commission, seeing that he asked him when he was appointed to send to the members the invitation of your Sub-Committee to sit.

I should add that if the liquor Commission is to be dissolved for the present, such a decision should not be allowed to affect the continuation of the Commission on Uniformity. That Commission requires no further funds. I have no funds, but the subject is not rapidly changing, while on the other hand the liquor Commission is rapidly changing the social situation. You could probably just as easily raise that in your own hands.

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De Lovedale,

7th June 5.

Miss Ferguson,
Huguenot Station
The Members of the Sub-Committee of Executive.

Gentlemen Ferguson,
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Rev. E. B. Bridgman writes that "in view of the decision that next meeting of Conference be postponed indefinitely, I think it is not worth while to continue the Commission on the Liquor Question. But in case it seems to the Executive inadvisable to dissolve this Commission then I would find it necessary to tender my resignation as Convener. The probability is that in a year's time I shall leave on furlough which is already over-due, and in the circumstances I feel that I should resign.

I am thankful to note indications in various parts of the land that the forces of temperance appear to be preparing for united action to combat the liquor curse. When it is definitely known when next meeting of Conference is to take place, the Executive may very likely be in a better position than it is to-day to determine what preparation is required for bringing this important question before the Conference."

There are two alternatives suggested by this letter:- (1) To continue the Committee but appoint another Convener in place of Mr. Bridgman; (2) To dissolve the Commission and reconsider the whole question of subjects for next Conference when we see that we are in a position to arrange for the next Conference to meet, and consists mainly in directing the attention of the members

I shall be glad of an expression of the views of the members of the Sub-Committee. Personally I think the second alternative the better course to take, and if that is favoured, we should then ask Mr. Bridgman to communicate this to the members of his Commission, seeing that we asked him when he was appointed to send to the members the invitation of the Sub-Committee to act.

I should add that if the Liquor Commission is to be dissolved for the present, such a decision should not be allowed to affect the question of the continuance of the Commission on Uniformity. That Commission requires time to carry out the large task it has undertaken, and its subject is not rapidly changing, while on the other hand the Liquor Question, if I may be allowed to say so, is a fluid.

Yours sincerely, *Hemmis*



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Nov 21, 1914, C.F.,
Dovedale,
7th June 5.

Miss Ferguson,
Rev. Huguenot Seminary,
East Wellington.

will in my opinion in touch with the Municipalities and the
Dear Miss Ferguson, I greatly regret that so long time has passed
without an acknowledgement of your letter of 17th February. The
past four months have been a time of exceptional strain during
which I had to conserve all my strength for my daily stated dut-
ies and some of my many outside duties had to stand over. It is
only now that I am in a position to tackle some of the heavy ar-
rars of correspondence.

The addition of Mrs. Gibson, Miss McCarthy and the Misses
Keck to your committee in place of others no longer able to act
seems a happy proposal. I note you are turning your attention now
to other centres than Johannesburg as interest has been aroused
there in the matter of care of Native women and girls. There is
no more urgent question than that of the state of the locations.
Of course that does not affect the women alone, and you may have
to consider carefully the basis on which you propose to deal with
this part of the Native question. Moreover we cannot too often
remind ourselves that a Committee of the General Missionary Con-
ference cannot undertake work itself in the way of adding another
to the existing organisations. Our scope is necessarily limited
and consists mainly in directing the attention of local
bodies and workers to conditions needing reform, and where that
is practicable to plan for effecting these reforms. I believe
much good could be done by instituting a careful study with care-
fully verified facts of the actual conditions of the locations in
the chief towns of the Union. What I did at East London created
an impression at the time, and had the war not broken out immedi-
ately afterwards and absorbed the attention of the public, some-
thing might have been effected thereafter. We want to keep ham-
mering away at the question, bringing report after report of the
conditions of different places till the public is thoroughly arou-
ed to the scandal and danger of these locations. Then to ensure
that these reports are not merely a matter of passing interest,
your Committee would do a great service if it could enlist the
service of experienced workers not only to secure the facts, but
to watch all local means for securing practical reforms. This



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Lovedale,
Lovedale, C.P.,

8th June 5.

Rev. J. L. Reibelius,
Enlanzeni M. Station, P. O. Inadi.

will involve dealing in touch with the Municipalities and the Police and other authorities, and requires workers of the necessary tact, experience and driving power to insist on the facts being faced when the local authorities, as is specially likely to be the case in smaller municipalities, assert that the locations are satisfactory.

In every town there are Women's Associations. It is not necessary to create new organizations. But what does seem necessary is to direct the attention of the Christian women of the land to the question and the sore that is festering on the outskirts of every town. If you could awaken the women to that and secure their cooperation in working for a better state of things, they could do a very good service.

Standing Committee of the Church of South Africa.
Your proposal to raise a fund for the aid of Continental missions suffering through the war was checked in the manner with which you are already familiar.

Yours sincerely,
J. L. Reibelius

I am able to send you £35 which is nearly half of the total sum placed at my disposal. It will take a few days to arrange this with the bank in King Wm's Town, but as soon as the cheque arrives I shall send on that amount to you. I hope it may relieve some of your more pressing needs.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

J. L. Reibelius



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Lovedale,
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8th June 5. 5.

Rev. J. L. Reibeling,
Emlanzeni M. Station, on Station,
P.O. Inadi, O. Inadi,
via Krantskop, N A T A L.
N A T A L.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for the minutes of your meeting of the 7th instant. I daily received your letters of 28th April and 2nd instant. I am sorry to hear of the serious financial difficulties pressing upon you. It is not in my power to make any suggestion about securing a loan of £300. Moreover the sum sent me by the Standing Committee of the Conference of British Missionary Societies is comparatively small, as their proposal to raise a fund for the aid of Continental missions suffering through the war was checked in the manner with which you are already familiar. I am able to send you £35 which is nearly half of the total sum placed at my disposal. It will take a few days to arrange this with the bank in King Wm's Town, but as soon as the cheque arrives I shall send on that amount to you. I hope it may relieve some of your more pressing needs.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

J. L. Reibeling



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L o v e d a l e ,

L o v e d a l e 14th June 5.

L o v e d a l e 24th June 5.

L o v e d a l e 28th June 5.

Mist Ferguson,
Rev. J. L. Reibelang,
Mbalanzeni Mission Station,
P. O. Inadi,
Dear Mada Krantzkop, N A T A L.

I thank you for the minutes of your meeting of Committee on Native Girls held on the 7th instant. That was the day on which I wrote you on this subject, and I am sorry that my letter should not be in time for your meeting of the 8th instant, I know question of the conditions in towns which I see was pressing on you at the meeting.

I have pleasure in sending you a cheque made payable to you for Thirty-Five Pounds, and remain, Yours sincerely,

Miss Reek to a sense of their responsibilities in the matter of improving conditions in their local locations. I write at once to say that this outlines a programme of work for me which it is out of my power to undertake in addition to the duties I already have in hand. I did what I could a year ago when visiting East London, but it is impossible for me to enter into communication with other Municipalities in any manner adequate to the securing better conditions. And I venture to suggest that there is a better way to arrive at what is desired. When I wrote on the 7th I said, and I again urge, that what can be done by your Committee is to arouse the Christian and philanthropic societies of women in the various towns to the sound and danger that the conditions of their local Native women, and through their native servants, they themselves are exposed, it is for them to press on their own Municipal authorities that remedial action be taken. Miss Reek probably may have unique opportunities for this educative work in the various towns she visits. If she can secure the co-operation of the local societies of women, there would be hope that Municipalities would be roused to action and that real improvement would be obtained.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

P.S. I sent 2/5 to Mr. ... I received from Mr. ...



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Lovedale,

24th June 5.

28th June 5.

Miss Ferguson,

Rev. Wellington.

Dear Miss Ferguson,

I thank you for the minutes of your meeting of Committee on Native Girls held on the 7th instant. That was the day on which I wrote you on this subject, and I am sorry that my letter could not be in time for your meeting, as it touched on the question of the conditions of native life in towns which I see was prominently before you at the meeting.

I note that Miss Keck was asked to approach her Executive for sanction to bring the matter of improvements in locations before me as Secretary of the Missionary Conference, and through me to arouse the Municipalities of the towns visited by Miss Keck to a sense of their responsibilities in the matter of improving conditions in their local locations. I write at once to say that this outlines a programme of work for me which it is out of my power to undertake in addition to the duties I already have in hand. I did what I could a year ago when visiting East London, but it is impossible for me to enter into communication with other Municipalities in any manner adequate to the securing better conditions. And I venture to suggest that there is a better way to arrive at what is desired. When I wrote on the 7th I said, and I again urge, that what can be done by your Committee is to arouse the Christian and philanthropic societies of women in the various towns to the scandal and danger that the conditions of their local locations present. If women are alive to the dangers to which Native women, and through their native servants, they themselves are exposed, it is for them to press on their own Municipal authorities that remedial action be taken. Miss Keck probably may have unique opportunities for this educative work in the various towns she visits. If she can secure the co-operation of the local societies of women, there would be hope that Municipalities would be roused to action and that real improvement would be obtained.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

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P.S. I sent £35 to Mr. Robinson of the money I received from Mr. Oldham.



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Lovedale,

28th June 5.

Rev. George Lowe,
Rev. J. D. Taylor,
P.O. Box 639, Impolweni,
Natal.

JOHANNESBURG

Dear My Dear Taylor,

Dear Mr. Lowe,

On Saturday and yesterday I had the pleasure of a visit from Rev. J. E. Crowther of the Methodist Episcopal Church of America, who with Mrs. Crowther are visiting their missions in Africa and other mission centres. He referred to the letter sent to them in May of last year on the matter of Occupation, with special reference to the country between the Limpopo and Sabi Rivers. He explained that what he said was his personal view, as the matter has still to be considered and acted upon by their Conference. The substance was that the American Board have asked that the belt for ten miles South of the Sabi River be handed over to them as their sphere of operations, on the ground that the language spoken in this belt South of the Sabi is the same as that spoken North of the Sabi where the American Board are working. His own opinion, in which he said the missionaries in the field concur, is that the Methodist Episcopal Church will agree to the American Board working in this Southern belt, but that it is better to retain the present names, namely that their Church is working the region between the Limpopo and the Sabi.

Probably you may be already familiar with these views, but I send you these notes of the conversation, in the same unofficial manner in which they were given to me. I explained that while the letter of last year bore my name as Secretary of the Conference, the subject matter is not one in which I have any direct knowledge or opinion and that you are the Convener of the Commission acting in the matter.

With kind regards to Mrs. Taylor and yourself,

Yours sincerely,

J. Lemoor

P.S. I sent £35 to Mr. Reibeling of the money I received from Mr. Oldham.



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Lovedale,
Lovedale, 31st July 5.

Rev. S. S. Dorman,
P.O. Box 510,
Rev. George Lowe,
BULAWAYO.
P.O. Box 639,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Mr. Dorman,

Dear Mr. Lowe, I have an enquiry from Rev. G. Lowe about what is being done by the General Missionary Conference on the subject of Vernacular Literature. In reply to your letter of the 28th instant, I duly received the Rhodesian Missionary Conference's resolution which followed Mr. Ritson's address on the subject of Vernacular Literature, and the matter would have been brought up at the Conference to have been held this year. That having been postponed indefinitely nothing has been done. We have no Sub-Committee appointed to work at the subject. I shall send round your letter to the other members of the Sub-Committee of Executive and see if they have any suggestions to offer.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,
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L o v e d a l e ,

31st July

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Rev. S. S. Dornan,

P. O. Box 510,

BULAWAYO.

Dear Mr. Dornan,

I have an enquiry from Rev. G. Lowe about what is being done by the General Missionary Conference in furtherance of the resolution of the Rhodesia Missionary Conference on the subject of Vernacular Literature, following on the address to your Association by Mr. Ritson. You were good enough at the time you forwarded that resolution to send me a copy of Mr. Ritson's address which as requested I returned to you. I therefore have in my hands only your resolution which speaks of Mr. Ritson's suggestions re Christian Vernacular Literature, but does not detail them. May I trouble ~~you~~ to supply me with these in a form that can be attached to your resolution for submission to the Sub-Committee of Executive and eventually to the General Missionary Conference?

I laid your resolution aside for submission to the Conference, but as that has been indefinitely postponed, it may be well to place the matter before the Sub-Committee to see whether some preparatory action may not be taken.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

R. Dornan



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Levee Dale,

Dear Mr. Bridgman, 97

3rd August 5.5.
 4th August 5.

Mr. Oldham has sent me some "rough notes" of material he has gathered in Natal, via Durban, for the January number of the International Review of Missions. I have taken the liberty of sending you a copy of these notes. Your letter of the 6th ultimo came when I was absent on Mission business in the Transkei. You will notice that the receipt attention be called to is neither dated nor stamped. As I am responsible for the money they sent to the British Conference for the account of the money they sent out may I trouble you to put it into proper form.

I beg to invite your assistance in this matter, and shall be glad to receive replies at your convenience, as Mr. Oldham hopes to begin work on the Survey early in September.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,



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Lovedale, 14th August 1915.
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Dear Mr. Bridgman, 97 14th August 5.

Rev. J. H. Oldham has sent me some "rough notes" of material he has gathered in view of the Missionary Survey of 1915 for the January number of the International Review of Missions, and I have taken the liberty of sending you a copy confidentially. He asks that these be corrected and supplemented as may be necessary, and that his attention be called to any important developments which have not been brought to his notice. In particular he asks for as exact information as possible on the effect of the war upon missionary work in South Africa.

I beg to invite your assistance in this matter, and shall be glad to receive replies at your earliest possible convenience, as Mr. Oldham hopes to begin work on the Survey early in September.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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Lovedale, 14th August 15.
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14th August 15.

Rev. Ep. X. van Calker,
Rev. Ep. X. van Calker,
Bishop

Dear Bishop van Calker,
Dear Ep. van Calker,

I am in receipt of a statement about next Theological rough notes which Rev. J. K. Oldham has put together with a view to the preparation of the Missionary Review. I shall be glad if you will bring the notice of your the International Review of Missions. He asks that these be corrected and supplemented so may be accepted. I make no reference to the fact that any important developments that have not been brought to his notice. In particular he asks for a statement as to the financial aspects of the war upon missionary work in South Africa. I will write your help in this matter. I direct our correspondence on the matter to these for a general statement. I direct our correspondence on the matter of these for the other German missions so far as you may be able to speak of them. I shall be glad to have a statement whether any of these are being worked on the Survey early in September.

would be available for your men, and the terms on which they could have been given a statement that "The Board of the Herrnhut Brotherhood has received information that the Board of the Herrnhut Brotherhood in light occupy them, and are to be considered as the Board of the Herrnhut Brotherhood of the purpose of applications we may receive from our own students. Will you be the facts? Who of your staff have been interned? Who are under notice to be in readiness, and which stations have had to be left unattended? Has there been any new development since you wrote me about the Russia, men?

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,
J. H. H. H.

(3) A committee on which the Board of the Herrnhut Brotherhood are represented exist to carry out the recommendations of a whole series of valuable reports on the conditions of the Hospital system in the mines and the conditions of labour generally. They are insisting on the introduction of whole-time doctors into the mines, and also that European superintendents of these hospitals (men holding office corresponding to that of surgeons in general hospitals) shall be trained men, as also all native medical officers. I do not know whether this is the committee referred to in the report with Dr. Hertzelt as Secretary. I rather think it is a more important thing. I am writing enquiries. If it is the same, the designation of this large committee would carry more weight than the mere mention of Dr. Hertzelt as Secretary.



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14th August 55.

Rev. J. E. Oldham, B.A.
Rev. Ep. E. van Calker,
Shiloh,
WHITFIELD.

Dear Mr. Oldham, Dear Bishop van Calker,
I am in receipt of its wonderfully comprehensive notes which Rev. J. E. Oldham has put together with a view to the preparation of the Missionary Survey of 1915 for the January number of the International Review of Missions. He asks that these be corrected and supplemented as may be necessary, and that his attention be called to any important developments that have not been brought to his notice. In particular he asks for as exact information as possible regarding the effect of the war upon missionary work in South Africa. I invite your help in this, both in respect of your own missions and of those of the other German missions so far as you may be able to speak of them. I shall be glad of an early reply as Mr. Oldham expects to begin work on the Survey early in September.

I have seen a statement that "The Board of the Herrnhut Brotherhood has received information that the missionaries in Caffraria have been ordered to hold themselves ready for transportation to a concentration camp. Bishop van Calker's request to continue the missionary work has been refused." What are the facts? Who of your staff have been interned? Who are under notice to be in readiness, and which stations have had to be left unsuperintended? Has there been any new development since you wrote me about the Baziya men?

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

(3) A committee on which the Government and the Chamber of Mines are represented exists to carry into effect the recommendations of a whole series of valuable reports on native labour conditions. Amongst other things, they are dealing with the improvement of the Hospital system on the mines and the conditions of labour generally. They are insisting on the introduction of whole-time doctors into the mine hospitals, and also that European superintendents of these hospitals (men holding offices corresponding to that of matrons in general hospitals) shall be trained men, as also all native hospital attendants. I do not know whether this is the committee referred to in (3) with Dr. Hertelet as Secretary. I rather think it is a much bigger thing. I am making enquiries. If it is the same, the designation of this large committee would carry more weight than the mere mention of Dr. Hertelet's as Secretary.



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L o v e d a l e ,

14th August 5.

Rev. J. H. Oldham, M.A.,
1, Charlotte Square,

Now I think EDINBURGH has suffered more than the Germans, both in loss and finances. (I am referring to the P.E.M.S.). Only some German missionaries have been interned. (I am trying to get exact figures). But a large proportion of the P.E.M.S. men are out on service. As regards finances, I am in receipt of your letter of the 19th ult. with its wonderfully comprehensive summary of South African movements and events bearing on the missionary enterprise. To secure for you as accurate information as possible I am sending out an enquiry to Revs. W. B. Bridgman (J.H.Burg.), J. D. Taylor (Natal), E. Jacottet (Basutoland), W. C. Willoughby (Bechuanaland), A. J. Leonard (Wesleyan), A. C. Murray (Dutch Ref. Ch.), E. van Calker (Moravian), and Ep. Cameron (Anglican). I am also endeavouring to get official information on interned missionaries, native housing, liquor reform, and similar social questions. I have consulted here with Rev. J. Henderson and Dr. Macvicar, and offer some suggestions based on our own information and experience. For convenience of reference I shall use your numbers, and take them as referring both to your text and the corresponding notes.

Native Affairs. I am glad to hear that the Natal Conference have not sent an appeal. As a matter of fact the Natal Conference have not sent an appeal. (2) The natives in the Northern Provinces have no vote for Parliament as those have in the Cape Province. So long as this continues, it is desirable to have some means of eliciting and educating native opinion on legislation. But this can be thought of only as a temporary expedient. What we must definitely work for is the bestowal on reasonable conditions of the franchise on the natives, and the removal of the colour bar.

(3) A committee on which the Government and the Rand Chamber of Mines are represented exists to carry into effect the recommendations of a whole series of valuable reports on native labour conditions. Amongst other things, they are dealing with the deficiencies of the Hospital system on the mines and the conditions of labour generally. They are insisting on the introduction of whole-time doctors into the mine Hospitals, and also that European superintendents of these hospitals (men holding offices corresponding to that of matrons in general hospitals) shall be trained men, as also all native hospital attendants. I do not know whether this is the committee referred to in (2) with Dr. Hertslet as Secretary. I rather think it is a much bigger thing. I am making enquiries. If it is the same, the designation of this large movement would carry more weight than the mere mention of Dr. Hertslet's name as Secretary.



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Lovedale, 14th August 5.

Effects of the War.

14th August 5.

How I think Basutoland has suffered more than the Germans both in staff and finances. (I am referring to the P.E.M.S.). Only some German missionaries have been interned. (I am trying to get exact figures). But a large proportion of the P.E.M.S. men are out on service. As regards finance, the German missions in the Northern provinces own large tracts of land. The Government made special provision to allow money to be raised on the security of these holdings, and when I made enquiries about the need of possible relief, very few individuals and no German societies reported actual financial difficulties. It may be said that national pride restrained them from disclosing their needs, but I do not think this was the case, because in many replies there was frank reference to the funds they had been able to raise in the way described.

Other Events.

Any attempt to give recognition to native doctors other than those who have qualified in the same way as other doctors will meet with the relentless opposition of the medical men of the Union. As a matter of fact the Natal Conference have not sent on their suggestion to me for the General Conference. I am told it originated with Dr. Hertslet, and Dr. McCord who is respected by the medical men for his skill as a surgeon, associated himself with it to some extent. But Dr. Hertslet has now gone to Johannesburg, and the suggestion itself is so impracticable that it would be a mistake, I believe, to place it on the same level with the other serious movements to which you make reference.

With kind regards,

There is a big movement afoot, in which Mr. Howard Pim is interested, to introduce a system of deferred pay for natives on the Rand, and to deal radically with native housing there. It is proposed that 75% or 80% of the monthly wage be drawable by the native at his home on his return. This would benefit the districts from which these workers are drawn. E.g. it would restock the districts depleted by East Coast fever, without Government requiring to introduce a costly scheme. Most important of all, it would strike at the root of the fearful illicit liquor traffic. I am writing for a report which Mr. Pim promised us.

Kindest regards, Yours sincerely,

P. H. ...



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Col. Schumacher,
Howard Pim, Esq.,
JOHANNESBURG.
Johannesburg.

Dear Mr. Pim,
Dear Sir,

May I remind you of the report which you were good enough to offer to send about the illicit liquor business, and other social work on the Rand. I have an enquiry from Rev. J. H. Oldham, Editor of the International Review of Missions, one of the best and most widely read and influential magazines of its class, for material for the review of 1915 which he will publish in the January quarterly number. It is of importance that these measures for social reform in which you are interested be adequately referred in such a review, and I shall be grateful for any reports dealing with these subjects which you may be able to furnish me with.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

With kind regards to Mrs. Barrett and yourself,
Yours sincerely,



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14th August 5.
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H. Col. Schumacher,
Native Affairs Department,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Mr. Barrett,

Dear Sir, May I invite your personal assistance on two matters? I have been asked by Rev. J. H. Oldham, Editor of the International Review of Missions, to assist him in gathering information for the Review of 1915. I take the liberty of approaching you to ask whether you can furnish me with any reports or statements on the reforms you are of the magazine. And there are two matters on which I should be glad to urging on the liquor question, and especially as it affects native-aries who have been intemperate. I see there is a new Commissioner for in life on the Rand and elsewhere. I have been asked by the Editor of the International Review of Missions to direct his attention to the question of the attitude of the Missionary forces to German missions. The movements in the Union for social betterment, and as the liquor ques- ion is at the root of so much evil, I should esteem it a favour to be placed in direct touch with the question with which your name is so dealing with this as a serious question may know the facts?

With kind regards,
The second matter is this: I have been given to understand that

Mr. Pritchard of your office has to do with a Committee on which the Government and the Rand Chamber of Mines are represented, for the carry- ing into effect of reforms affecting native life on the Rand which have been urged in a series of reports on that subject. I should be glad to have a duplicate set of these reports, and to know what the Committe are aiming at doing, and what they already may have accomplished. I would have written to Mr. Pritchard direct and not troubled you with this, but I understand he is at present not in Pretoria.

Dear Sir,

Yours sincerely,

With kind regards to Mrs. Barrett and yourself,
Yours sincerely,

Barrett



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Lovedale, S.A.

Lovedale, 14th August 1915 5.

14th August 5.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Cameron, D.D.,
E. Barrett, Esq.,
Native Affairs Department,
PRETORIA.

Dear Bishop Cameron,
Dear Mr. Barrett,

Mr. Oldham, Editor of the International Review of Missions, has asked me to ask you if I may I invite your personal assistance on two matters? I have been asked by Rev. J. H. Oldham, Editor of the International Review of Missions, one of the most widely read and influential magazines of its kind, to assist him in gathering information for the Review for 1915, which year by year is proving one of the most valuable features of the magazine. And there are two matters on which I should be glad to have exact information. The first is the number of German missionaries who have been interned. I see there is a new Commissioner for Enemy Subjects, and I think it would be of little use for me, who am unknown to him, to approach him with such a request. It may be that he may in any case not feel free to give the information. But the whole question of the attitude of the Missionary force to German missions has become one of such importance, that the Association of British Missionary Societies met recently in London to consider it. It would be of service to have exact information from South Africa, as also from India and elsewhere. Even if exact figures are not obtainable, is there any information which he would feel free to impart, so that those who are dealing with this as a serious question may know the facts?

With kind regards,

The second matter is this: I have been given to understand that Mr. Pritchard of your office has to do with a Committee on which the Government and the Rand Chamber of Mines are represented, for the carrying into effect of reforms affecting native life on the Rand which have been urged in a series of reports on that subject. I should be glad to have a duplicate set of these reports, and to know what the Committee are aiming at doing, and what they already may have accomplished. I would have written to Mr. Pritchard direct and not troubled you with this, but I understand he is at present not in Pretoria.

With kind regards to Mrs. Barrett and yourself,
Yours sincerely,



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14th August 5.5.

W. Rt. Rev. Bishop Cameron, D.D.,

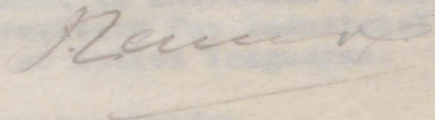
Educational Dept.,

Dear Bishop Cameron,

Mr. Oldham, Editor of the International Review of Missions has sent me the enclosed "rough Notes" prepared with a view to the summary review of 1915 which will appear in the January number of the magazine. He asks that it be corrected or supplemented as necessary, and that his attention be directed to any movements or developments to which his attention thus far has not been called. May I invite your assistance in this? I am sending you my only copy, and shall esteem it a favour if you will return it as soon as possible, as he says he expects to be working at the matter early in September. You might indicate anything specially relating to the work of the Church of the Province.

No word yet of the appointment of a Principal of the College. The Committee of Selection had practically closed with Mr. Murray, but at the last moment he withdrew. They are therefore setting out afresh to consider candidates. They have put a great deal of work into it, and we can only hope that the care they have taken will ensure that in the end we shall be guided to the right man.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,




GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE
OF SOUTH AFRICA
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President: Rev. J. J. ...
Vice-President: Rev. J. J. ...
General Secretary: Rev. J. J. ...
Secretary: Rev. J. J. ...

Lovedale,

14th August 5.

W. E. C. Clarke, Esq., M.A.,
Education Office,
FRETORIA.

Dear Mr. Clarke,

The "Times" Educational Supplement of April last referred to a Report by the Council of Education of the Transvaal. I should be very grateful if you could let me have a copy, or tell me where it is published so that I could order one.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

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In view of the large number of native languages spoken in this country, the Provincial Councils, and the Administrations of Southern Rhodesia and Bechuanaland the need of largely increasing the number of native languages. This Synod urges the Government to introduce a more adequate order of native languages, making provision for industrial and agricultural work, and for the teaching of native languages. On 14th August 1913, the following resolution was adopted: That the people of this country should be able to use the language of the people with whom they are in contact, and to their own efficiency at present, and that the people of this country should work in the native languages of the people with whom they are in contact. I enclose herewith a copy of the report of the Commission on the application of the language of the people to their own work. I have material coming in on the subject of the language of the people of German missionaries. I enclose herewith a copy of the report of the Commission on the application of the language of the people to their own work.



GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE
OF SOUTH AFRICA.

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- President: REV. A. J. LEONARD, [unclear], Queenstown.
- Vice-President: REV. J. D. TAYLOR, [unclear], Natal.
- General Secretary and Treasurer: REV. J. LINDSAY, Lovedale, C.P.
- Record Secretary: REV. A. C. MURRAY, [unclear].

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Lovedale,
SOUTH AFRICA,
21st August 5
1st Sept. 1915.

The Members of the Executive.

In continuance of my reply to your letter about the missionary summary of 1915, I add the following notes.

Gentlemen, Cameron, Co-adjutor Bishop of Cape Town, reads me:

- The precise wording of the Bp of Pretoria's resolution. I enclose (1) a resolution dated 21st July 1913 of the Rhodesian Missionary Conference on the subject of Vernacular Literature and covering letters; (2) a letter from Rev. G. Lowe, dated 28th July 1915; and (3) a copy of Mr. Ritson's address to the Rhodesian Missionary Conference.

Had the General Missionary Conference met this year, the matter could then have been presented and discussed. That having been impossible, it is difficult to see what practical steps can be taken just now and by correspondence. As Mr. Lowe has raised the question anew I am sending the correspondence round for the information of the Executive and for suggestion. I have held the correspondence over till I could receive for the use of the Executive the copy of Mr. Ritson's address now enclosed.

On NATIVE TAXATION AND EDUCATION the Provincial Synod received:- In view of the large amount received annually from Native taxation, this Synod urges upon the Union Government, the Provincial Councils, and the Administrations of Southern Rhodesia and Beasiland the need of largely increasing the grants to Native Education.

This Synod urges the Government to introduce a more adequate order of Native Education, making provision for Industrial and Agricultural training and the teaching of Native languages.

- Rev. A. J. Leonard.
- Rev. J. D. Taylor.
- Rev. E. Jacottet.
- Rev. H. Kuschnke.
- Rev. W. C. Willoughby.
- Rev. A. C. Murray.

On LEARNING OF LANGUAGES it was resolved:- That the various languages should be learned the language of the people engaged with, and be examined as to their proficiency at the first two years of their missionary work. (REV. J. LINDSAY: in the various Native languages of S. Africa have since then been appointed).

I see I shall not have time to refer to other matters by this mail. These notes of the Bishop are not of exclusively Anglican application or significance. Others are working on the same lines. I have material coming in on education and social reform and the treatment of German missionaries. I shall write on these next week.

Kind regards,
Yours sincerely,



GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

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(Appointed at the Fourth Conference, Cape Town, July, 1912)

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Record Secretary : REV. A. C. MURRAY, Stellenbosch.

Lovedale,
SOUTH AFRICA,

1st Sept. 1915.

Dear Mr. Oldham,

In continuance of my reply to your letter about the missionary summary of 1915, I add the following notes.

Bp. Cameron, Co-adjutor Bishop of Cape Town, sends me:
1. The precise wording of the Bp of Pretoria's resolution.
"This Synod considers that a more uniform and sympathetic Native policy, together with a closer personal relation between the governed and the governing is essential to the well-being of the native people and so to the security of the country. It therefore urges:-
1. That some method should be found by which native legislation and administration may be lifted above the changes and chances of party politics.

2. That Native Councils should be established in every Province as a means of making known to the Government the natives' views upon matters affecting their welfare, and of obtaining Native opinion upon proposed legislation on Native matters, of instructing them upon existing legislation and of training them to take part in the administration of their own local affairs.

On NATIVE TAXATION AND EDUCATION the Provincial Synod resolved:-
In view of the large amount received annually from Native taxation, this Synod urges upon the Union Government, the Provincial Councils, and the Administrations of Southern Rhodesia and Swaziland the need of largely increasing the grants to Native Education.

This Synod urges the Government to introduce a more adequate code of Native Education. making provision for Industrial and Agricultural training and the teaching of Native languages.

On LEARNING OF LANGUAGES, it was resolved:-
That all young missionaries should learn the language of the people amongst whom they work, and be examined as to their proficiency at least twice in the first two years of their missionary work. (N.B. Examiners in the various Native languages of S. Africa have since then been appointed).

I see I shall not have time to refer to other matters by this mail. These notes of the Bishop are not of exclusively Anglican application or significance. Others are working on the same lines. I have material coming in on education and social reform and the treatment of German missionaries. I shall write on these next week.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



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Lovedale, S. S.

8th September 5.

2nd October 5.

Dear Mr. Oldham,

I enclose a note received from Rev. W. G. Willoughby, London Miss. Society, and a copy of a letter to me from Bp. E van Calker, Moravian Society. The latter is sent to let you see at first hand how a devoted German missionary looks at things. The information is available. The actual terms of the letter should be regarded as for information only.

On the whole the Bishop's letter shows that the Meravians by representation have gained reasonable treatment. It is hard for him to take this view. Nothing would seem reasonable except the free return of all to their stations. I do not feel I am in a position to judge of individual cases. What gives me pause is that a careful and experienced man like Bp. van Calker should say that the Secretary of State for the Colonies should have said that aliens did not require to be interned except on proof that they had been disloyal. I can scarcely conceive that the Secy. of State for the Colonies would commit himself to such a statement in connection with a self-governing Colony like the Union of South Africa. It shows how easily a turn may be given to expressions that without doubt were carefully considered and expressed. Unwittingly the Bishop may in this case have given a turn to the Secy's words that make them different from what he intended to convey.

I tried to get exact figures of internments from headquarters through the second in command in the Native Affairs Department. He found that the Commissioner for Enemy Subjects was not prepared to give the information. We must just leave it at that.

The Citizens' Alliance for Social and Liquor Reform on the Rand has done excellent service. They have issued several reports which are educating the public. One of these is on Liquor Conviction Statistics for 1912, 1913, and 1914. Another is on Native Housing on the Rand. The press has taken serious notice of these reports. The chief members of the Alliance are going on to constructive schemes. Proof of their power is found in the organised opposition of the "trade".

Kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

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The Members of Sub-Committee of Ex-18th March
2nd October

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The Members of Sub-Committee
My Dear Executive.
Dear Mr.

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Yours sincerely,

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Lovedale,

LOVEDALE, 1st May

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The Members of Sub-Committee of Executive 18th March

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Dear Mr.

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opinion. Most of the general view is in favour of further postponement, I would suggest that it be considered whether a Commission, such as that on Uniformity of Discipline, should not be authorised to issue their report when ready, as a report prepared for presentation at the next meeting of the Conference.

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W. C. Willoughby



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Lovedale,

Lovedale, 1st May 6.

The Members of Sub-Committee of Executive. 6th May 6.

Rev. J. Tom Brown,

KURUMANAH
Gentlemen,

Dear Mr. I have to apologise for delay in communicating the result of the enquiry as to date of next Conference. Opinion was

decidedly against holding a Conference during the duration of the war, some adding that at least a year should elapse after

I recently circularised the members of the Executive Committee as to the date of next meeting of the General Conference. The

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On the question of publishing the Report of such a Commission Conference should be held during the war, and possibly not till

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opinion. Most agreed that it should be published before Conference so that there might be time to digest it before discussion on

it is held. But some feel that to publish now would be to reduce the value of the work that has been done, because under-staffed as

many are, they have scarcely time and strength to get through work that must be done, and the Report would be laid aside. There-

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Lovedale,

Lovedale, June 6.

6th May 1916 6.

Mrs. A. C. Murray.

Rev. J. Tom Brown,

Chas KURUMAN.

Dear Mrs. Murray,

Dear Mr. Brown,

I received some time ago a copy of the minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Committee held on the 28th ult.

I am duly in receipt of your letter of the 28th ult. I recently circularised the members of the Executive Committee as to the date of next meeting of the General Conference. The general feeling was strongly in the direction that no meeting of that Conference should be held during the war, and possibly not till at least a year had elapsed after the declaration of peace. At present therefore the Conference is postponed sine die.

With kind regards, If Miss Ferguson, please convey

Yours sincerely,

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This is just a personal note of acknowledgement of your letter which I shall hope to reply to more fully later.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,



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L o v e d a l e ,

5th June 6.

Mrs. A. C. Murray,

Rev Van Riebeck, Street,

Chas. H. STILLENBOSCH.

Dear Mrs. Murray,

I received some time ago a copy of the minutes of the Meeting of the Committee for Native Women and Girls held on the 14th December last. I am pleased to see that the matter of the state of our Native Locations is engaging attention. I need not add to what I have already written on this question, but wish to say that

I am very thankful to see what is being done, and shall await further news with deep interest. I am not sure whether it is you or Miss Ferguson whom I have to thank for the copy of the minutes. If Miss Ferguson, please convey my thanks to her on the first suitable opportunity.

You will be interested to know that a Native College was opened on the 21st February by the Hon. General Botha, Prime Minister of the Union. Hours sincerely. You will have noticed reference to this in the "Christian Express". A very promising start has been made. The studies of study suitable for Native students by engaging careful attention and we may expect the Native College to give a lead to South Africa in this difficult matter. Have you any vocabulary of principles worked by the American educationalists in the Philippines?

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With best regards,
Yours sincerely,

J. J. ...

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Lovedale,
SOUTH AFRICA,
24th June 1916.

18th July 1916.

Rev. Herbert N. Howard,

Chas. H. Fahs, Esq.,
Missionary Research Library,
Madison Avenue Building,
NEW YORK CITY,

Dear Mr. Fahs,

Your letter of the 24th June arrived just after I had left for Natal on mission business.

I have just received your letter of 25th April, which you will thus see has been some time on the way. And in the same connection I thank you for your kind thought in sending the reports of the Panama Congress, but I am sorry to say these have not come to hand. I shall be glad to avail myself of your kind offer to send on another set if necessary.

We have just finished a heavy session, and I am clearing my desk in view of starting in thirty hours' time for a visit on mission business to Natal. I therefore propose to lay your letter aside till my return, and then I shall give it my best attention. I shall do my best for you, and you on your part will grant me the time necessary to answer your enquiry as I should like to do, remembering that seven of our staff have been released for war service, and that the work has been distributed amongst the rest of us, and that the pressure is heavy.

You will be interested to know that the South Africa Native College was opened on the 8th February by the Rt. Hon. General Botha, Prime Minister of the Union of South Africa. You will have noticed references to this in the "Christian Express." A very promising start has been made. The whole question of courses of study suitable for Native students is engaging careful attention, and we may expect the Native College to give a lead to South Africa in this difficult matter. Have you any summary of principles worked by the American educationalists in the Philippines?

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With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

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Love Dale,

26th 13th July 5. 6.

Rev. Herbert N. Howard,
Old Umtali,
RHODESIA.

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Dear Mr. Howard,

Rev. J. H. Oldham has again invited co-operation

Your letter of the 24th June arrived just after I had left for Neal on mission business.

I have written to the publishers at Cape Town to have any balance of the reports of the four general conferences sent on to me, and I hope to be able then to send to you copies of the reports of 1904 and 1906.

sent to him by 30th September, I shall be obliged if you will be

Some little time ago I communicated with the members of the sub-committee of executive about the date of next conference. That which was appointed to meet in 1915 was postponed because of the war. When I invited opinion again this year, the replies were in support of the view that it is impossible to hold a conference during the war. Some added that in their opinion it would be unwise to attempt to hold one till at least a year after the declaration of peace. I then inserted a notice that the conference was still indefinitely postponed in the "Christian Express" which last Conference adopted as its official medium for reports or intimations. I am afraid I cannot undertake to send out notices to individual missionaries, but all general notices will appear in the "Christian Express."

Apart from the difficulty and unwisdom of missionaries belonging to belligerent powers meeting at the present time, there are the considerations that many missions are working under great pressure because of being under-staffed owing to missionaries being on active service, and to many the question of expense of travelling is at the present time prohibitive.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Herbert N. Howard



GENERAL

Lovedale,

26th August 6.

Miss Collock,
1, Charlotte Street,
Edinburgh

Dear Miss Collock,

I have just received your letter of the 21st. I am very busy (quite a large number of our staff have been engaged in the preparation of the Annual Survey of missions. I send you a copy of the notes he has sent out. Circumstances have prevented me issuing these as soon as I desired. As replies are asked to be sent to him by 30th September, I shall be obliged if you will be good enough to send any notes direct to Mr. Oldham at 1, Charlotte

Square, Edinburgh. I shall also discuss the matter with Rev. J. Henderson, principal of Lovedale, and others of our staff here, and shall send you some notes myself. If any considerable number of these reply, you should get a very fairly representative view of the South African situation. I need not say that I am glad to render you any assistance in this or any other way in my power.

Yours sincerely,

I wonder if you could do me a favour? I have lent the January and October 1915 numbers of the REVUE and they have just beyond recall. I am sorry to have my set broken, and if you could let me have some copies I should be glad. Please let me know what they cost.

With best wishes to Mr. Oldham, and, if you will allow me to add it, to yourself,



GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

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L o v l e a d v a l d e s , I .
SOUTH AFRICA,
26th August '66.

Miss Collock,
1, Charlotte Square,
Miss Collock EDINBURGH.

Dear Miss Collock,

Dear Miss Collock, I duly received your letter of 20th June with notes preparatory to the Annual Survey of Missions. I have been very busy (quite a large number of our staff have been released for active service), and I have only now been able to deal with the matter. What I have done is to send out copies of the notes you sent me to the following representative men, and I have asked them to reply direct to Charlotte Square so that material may be in your hands by the time you state, 30th September:-

- Rev. A. J. Lennard, West., Pres. of Gen. Miss. Conf.
- Rev. J. Dexter Taylor, Amer. Zulu Miss., Vice-Pres. do.
- Rev. A. C. Murray, Sec. Dutch Ref. Ch. Miss., Member of Exec
- Rev. W. C. Willoughby, L.M.S. do.
- Rev. H. Kuschke, Lutheran, do.
- Rev. E. Jacottet, Paris Evang. Miss. Basutoland, do.
- Rev. H. A. Junod, Mission Romande. do.
- Rev. Canon Wyche, Ch. of the Province of S. Africa.
- Rev. J. Robb, Sec. Wesleyan Methodist Church.
- Rev. Amps Burnet, Transvaal Wesleyan Mission.
- Rev. S. Walker, Sec. Congregational Union of S. Africa.

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With best wishes to Mr. Oldham, and, if you will allow me to add it, to yourself,

Yours sincerely,
Personally I have thought it better to write and not to correspond artificially for correspondence.



GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE
OF SOUTH AFRICA.

OFFICIALS

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L o v e d a l e ,
SOUTH AFRICA,
9th Sept. 6.

Miss Collock,
1, Charlotte Square,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Miss Collock,

In further reply to your letter of 20th June with notes preparatory to the Annual Survey of missions, I now enclose notes kindly furnished to me by Rev. Principal Henderson and Dr. A. W. Roberts.

You will find further reference to the illicit liquor business to which Mr. Henderson refers in the current number of the "Christiah Express". We have a big fight on in this matter. The forces of righteousness are preparing themselves for what seems likely to prove a difficult fight against the forces of selfishness engaged in the liquor traffic. The public are partly interested in the trade (this is a vine-growing, brandy-producing country), partly easy-~~osy~~ and indifferent. There are signs that the public is to some measure becoming alive to the tremendous issues involved in the steadily increasing demoralisation of our Natives through drink and the resulting poverty and degradation. It is only as you get into the first firing line that you find how cunningly and completely the drink interest is safely and legally entrenched at every point.

The Students' Christian Association of South Africa have appointed Rev. J. Knox Bokwe as their first Native travelling secretary. He is to give six months for each of the next two years, and will visit Native training institutions, and also in Native areas will hold conferences of Native teachers at suitable centres. He is here at present with Mr. C. B. Bull, and they are beginning their work this evening at the neighbouring Wesleyan Institution of Heidelberg.

During the past year I have had practically no communication with the German missionaries in the country. They have kept very quiet, and I have little knowledge of how the war is affecting them. Personally I have thought it better where no occasion arose naturally for correspondence, to let well alone, and not to force an artificial correspondence. Yours sincerely,

Benjamin



GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

OFFICIALS

(Appointed at the Fourth Conference, Cape Town, July, 1912)

President : REV. A. J. LENNARD, Clarkebury, Queenstown.
Vice-President : REV. J. D. TAYLOR, Impolweni, Natal.
General Secretary and Treasurer : REV. J. LENNOX, Lovedale, C.P.
Record Secretary : REV. A. C. MURRAY, Stellenbosch.

L o v e d a l e .

23rd October 1915.

To the Members of the Sub-Committee
of Executive
of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa,

Gentlemen,

I am leaving to-day for Cape Town to enter on duty as one of the European chaplains going with the Native Labour Contingent to France.

I suggest that the President appoint someone to act as General Secretary during my absence or till next Conference makes a new appointment.

I have in hand, lodged in the Kaffrarian Savings Bank, King Um's Town, the following amounts:

I. Balance of amount received from the Brit. Conference of Miss. Societies, for benefit of Continental missions in S. Africa to relieve financial difficulties occasioned by the war,	£40.13. 2	
Int. on above to 31/12/15	<u>2. 8. 4</u>	£43. 1. 6
II. Balance of money contributed for the Social Service Com. handed over by Rev. A. C. Murray	27. 6. 0	
Less Commission on cheque	<u>1. 6</u>	27. 4. 6
TOTAL		<u>£70. 6. 0</u>

If it should become necessary to operate on the Bank account, which is in the name of "Rev. J. Lennox, 'Mission Account'", my Power of Attorney is held by Mr. H. P. Hutton, of Messrs. Innes & Hutton, King Um's Town.

Yours sincerely,



Lovedale, 2nd August 9.

Rev. A. J. Lennard,
 Rev. A. J. Lennard,
 Clarkebury.

My Dear Lennard,

Dear Mr. Lennard,

On looking through my papers I see that on 23rd October 1916 I wrote a letter to the members of the Sub-Committee of Executive of the Gen. Miss. Conference intimating that I was leaving for France, and that there was lodged in the Brit. Kafr. Savings Bank, K. W. Town, under the name "Rev. J. Lennox, 'Mission Account'" two sums amounting to £70.6.0. I cannot find the Pass-Book. Did I send it to you?

The total was made up of two sums, viz. (1) Balance of amount received from the Brit. Conference of Miss. Societies, for benefit of Continental missions in S. Africa to relieve financial difficulties occasioned by the war £40.13.2
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There is no reason to continue ^{to hold} any longer the balance of the money received from the Brit. Conference of Miss. Societies, and I propose to remit it to Rev. J. H. Oldham. I shall delay action till I have your reply. The second balance can be dealt with when the Executive or the Sub-Committee next meet.

Unfortunately I cannot find the note book with my account of receipts and outlays of Gen. Miss. Conference monies. Did I send it to you when I was leaving for France?

With kind regards,
 Yours sincerely,

J. Lennard



Lovedale, 9th August 9.

The Secretary,

Transvaal Missionary Association, Lovedale, 8th August

Lovedale, 9th August 9.

Rev. A. J. Lennard,
Transvaal Missionary Association.

My Dear Lennard,

Dear Sir, I return with thanks Taylor's letter. A copy of the report of our Sub-Committee meeting is being sent to him, and from it he will see that the next General Conference will not be before 1921. There is time therefore for him to carry out any plans he may have.

As to his suggestion of getting a survey of the South African situation carried out through the financial aid of the Committee of Reference and Counsel, and possibly with the trained assistance of the son of Dr. Harlan B. Beach, I think we should suggest to Taylor that he take a free hand in the matter. The General Mission Conference is not itself in position to finance such a piece of work. If friends in America can help us, and especially in the direction of placing trained workers at our disposal, we would be very grateful, and a service might be rendered to the cause of missions of very great value.

I shall be glad to know what response your Association makes to this invitation.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

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GENERAL SECRETARY.



Lovedale, 9th August 9.

The Secretary,
Transvaal Missionary Association.

Lovedale, 9th August 9.

The Secretary,
Transkei Missionary Association.I enclose a copy of the report of a meeting recently held of
Dear Sir, - Committee of Executive of the General Missionary Conference.

I enclose a copy of the report of a meeting of the Sub-association
committee of Executive of the General Missionary Conference which
was held last month. Conference on Social, Economic and Legislative
questions affecting the progress of Christianity and civilisation among
the Natives. You will note that it was resolved to invite your Association
to appoint a Commission to prepare a report for the next meeting of
the General Missionary Conference on Social, Economic and Legislative
questions affecting the progress of Christianity and civilisation
among the Natives in the Transkei, such report to be sent to the
Secretary of the Conference not later than 31st December 1920, in
order that it may be printed and circulated before the meeting of the
Conference.

Yours sincerely,

I shall be glad to hear from you in due course what response
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Lovedale, 9th August 9.
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Rev. J. H. Oldham, M.A.,
1, Charlotte Square,
Rev. Prof. J. du Plessis,

The Secretary,
Natal Missionary Association.

Dear Du Plessis, I was unable to attend in May from war service. It was a great
Dear Sir,

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Sub-Committee of Executive of the General Missionary Conference.
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You will note that it was resolved to invite your Association
to appoint a Commission to prepare a report for the next meeting of the
General Missionary Conference on Social, Economic and Legislative
questions affecting the progress of Christianity and civilisation
among the Natives in Natal, this report to be sent to the Secretary
of the Conference not later than 31st December 1920, in order that it
may be printed and circulated before the meeting of the Conference.

I shall be glad to hear from you in due course what response
your Association makes to this invitation.

Yours sincerely,

GENERAL SECRETARY.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

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Lovedale,
Lovedale, 9th August 9.
Lovedale, 13th August 9.

Rev. J. H. Oldham, M.A.,
1, Charlotte Square,
Rev. Prof. J. Du Plessis,

Dear Mr. Oldham,
STELLENBOSCH.

Dear Du Plessis returned in May from war service. It was a great disappointment that I was unable to meet you in the meeting of the through Edinburgh, it encloses a copy of the report of a meeting of the Sub-Committee of Executive of the General Missionary Conference. You will note a reference to yourself. Rev. A. C. Murray undertook the task of writing to you about this. Sub-Committee of Executive of the report. You will see that it is proposed to hold next Conference in 1921, though even the date is not yet fixed. With kind regards, Yours sincerely, This decision was arrived at after very full consideration. An earlier date was impracticable.

The balance of the sum entrusted to me from the Conference of British Missionary Societies, with interest to 31st December 1916, is £43. 1. 6. I am sending to have the interest for 1917 and 1918 added. My first thought was to remit this to you without further delay. Rev. A. J. Lennard, President of the Conference, suggests that some of the German missionaries, however unwilling to accept aid during the war, must now be in sore straits, and may be glad of assistance shortly to enable them to return to Germany or go elsewhere. The future of German missions in South Africa is still undetermined. It is unlikely that the S. African Government will deport German missionaries as has been done, I understand, in India. But there remains the question whether the German Societies will be able or willing to continue support to missions in British dominions. It may be well therefore to delay the return of the balance till the situation declares itself. In any case, it is for your Conference to know the situation, and indicate their views.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

J. Lennard



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Lovedale, 13th August 9. 99.

Rev. J. H. Oldham, M.A.,
1, Charlotte Square,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Oldham,

I returned in May from war service. It was a great disappointment that I was unable to meet you. Any time I passed through Edinburgh, it was merely a pass through.

We had a meeting of the Sub-Committee of Executive of the General Missionary Conference last month, and I enclose a pull of the report. You will see that it is proposed to hold next Conference in 1921, though even that may be modified by the meeting of the Executive which it is proposed to call next July. This decision was arrived at after very full consideration. An earlier date was impracticable.

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Lovedale,

24th Sept., 1919.

Lovedale,
Lovedale, SOUTH AFRICA,
29th August 99.
30th August 9.

Rev. A. F. Murray,
P. O. Box 144,
Rev. J. Denton, CAPE TOWN.
Dear Mr. Murray,

Can you tell me the present addresses of the following members of the Executive? (See p. 5 of 1918 Report) about your letter to him of 29th Aug. I have now have received a copy of the report of a meeting of the Executive of the Gen. Miss. Conference which was held in Cape Town last month. From this you will have seen that it was recommended that next Conference be in 1921, a recommendation which I hope will be confirmed or amended at a meeting of the full Synod in Bloemfontein next July.

There is some time in which to develop plans for next Conference on the subject you discuss, a thorough survey of the South African field especially in view of the changes that have come about since last Conference, is one which we agree with you as being of great importance. The assistance of a trained observer such as the son of Dr. Herbert P. Beach would be of great value. The question resolves itself into one of expense. Yours sincerely, we have no funds at present, and we could not pledge the General Conference any outlay without a mandate at least from the Executive. I must get till next July. It is not a matter which we could satisfactorily get an opinion from the Executive upon by correspondence.

If you are in a position to secure the funds for such a service, Mr. Leonard and I are of opinion that you would have the fullest support from the Conference. Friends in America may be willing to do us the great service of placing a trained worker at the disposal of the South African mission field for this purpose. It would be a disinterested service from which all missions in S. Africa would benefit.

South Africa has suffered a great loss in the death of Gen. Botha, which has removed from our midst one who stood for a strong policy of conciliation between the white races and also between these and the Natives.

I have to thank you for a copy of the temperance number of The Missionary Review of the World. Wishing you a good furlough and with kindest regards,
Yours sincerely,

J. P. ...



Lovedale,

24th Sept., 1919.

Lovedale, SOUTH AFRICA,

30th August 9.

Rev. J. Dexter Taylor, M.A.,
77, So. Pleasant St.,
Amherst, Mass., U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Taylor,

Mr. Lennard and I have been in communication about your letter to him of 29th May. You will by now have received a copy of the report of a meeting of the Sub-Committee of Executive of the Gen. Miss. Conference which was held at King Wa's Town last month. From this you will have seen that it is recommended that next Conference be in 1921, a recommendation which will fall to be confirmed or amended at a meeting of the full Executive to be held in Bloemfontein next July.

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Lovedale,

Lovedale, 24th Sept., 1919.
SOUTH AFRICA.

24th October 1919.

Rev. J. H. Oldham, M.A.,

St. Charles, Durban.

Oswin B. Bull, Esq., M.A.,

REV.

Dear Mr. Oldham Y.M.C.A.

The P.O. Box 591,

On a separate sheet I give you full statement of receipts and expenditure in Cape Town. With the fund received from the Conference of Missions, Societies in Great Britain and Ireland. There is a credit balance at the moment of £11,10.0. To save exchange I am asking Rev. J. Oldham to pay you this amount and deduct it from the next amount to be remitted to Lovedale. You will see that by placing the balance credit in the bank, there has not been any dear Bull.

Thanks for your letter of the 17th inst., South Africa I wish to say that it will be a pity to destroy the reports of the General not require to destroy the reports of the General the Missionary Conference. It occurs to me that Rev. A. F.

Murray who is Record Secretary may have room in his office to store the reports. Will you kindly ring him up and ask him if he will be good enough to store these reports for the Conference. This will save the cost of carriage up here and have them available when required.

July 1919

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,




Lovedale,
SOUTH AFRICA,

28th October 9.

Rev. J. H. Oldham, M.A.,
1. Charlotte Square,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Oldham,

Thanks for your letter of the 15th September. On a separate sheet I give the full statement of receipts and expenditure in connection with the fund received from the Conference of Missionary Societies in Great Britain and Ireland. There is a credit balance at the moment of £51,16,6. To save exchange I am asking Rev. E. Ashcroft to pay you this amount and deduct it from the next amount to be remitted to Lovedale. You will see that by placing the balance unpaid in the bank, there has accrued a fair amount of interest.

On behalf of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa I wish to convey to the Conference very warm thanks for placing this fund at their disposal. It is true that we did not require to draw much upon it, but that does not detract from the fine thought that prompted the sending out of the money.

I enclose receipts for printing and from Rev. J. L. Reibeling.

Exchange on Dr Yours sincerely,	Bk. 1/-	10. 1
Expense of visit to Pretoria in connection with the discussion with the Commissioner for Enemy Subjects of the treatment of Alien missionaries		11. 8. 7
Lovedale Printing Department: Circular to German missionaries		9. 0
Postages on above		10. 0
Rev. J. L. Reibeling		11. 0. 0
Total Expenditure		47. 14. 8
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GENERAL SECRETARY AND TREASURER.



Lovedale,
Lovedale, South Africa,

23rd Oct. 1919

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE OF FUND SENT TO

REV. J. LENNOX FOR ASSISTANCE OF GERMAN AND CONTINENTAL MISSIONS.

Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Received.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,	Dec. 1914 From Conference of Brit. Miss. Societies	£88. 7.10
	Interest: Dec. 1915	£2. 8. 4
	1916	2. 3. 0
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		<u>£99.11. 2</u>

Yours sincerely,

Paid.

Jan. 1915 Exchange on Draft 9s 1d, Bank Bk. 1/-	10. 1
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	<u>£47.14. 8</u>
Total Expenditure	£47.14. 8
Credit Balance	51.16. 6
	<u>£99.11. 2</u>

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GENERAL SECRETARY AND TREASURER.



Lovedale,
South Africa,

26th October 1909.

I have received the enclosed letter. Please say whether
Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

On receipt of this please send a cheque to Rev. J.
H. Oldham, M.A., Secretary of the Conference of Missionary Societies 1
in Great Britain and Ireland, for £51. 16. 6, and deduct from the
next salary payment to myself.

Yours sincerely,

The General Synod of the S. A. Church has instructed
me to bring the following matter to your attention, with the re-
quest that the Executive of the General Missionary Conference should
support us in our representation to the Government. The following
appeared recently in the daily press: "The Minister of Native Affairs
announced that Government is seriously considering the establishment
of a Council of Native Affairs, - a Council of three persons who could
go from place to place and get in touch with both Natives and Whites,
and report to the Minister."

Our Mission Board has requested the Government to appoint one mem-
ber of this Board as the representative of the various Churches and mis-
sion societies that are working in the Union of South Africa.

We feel assured that in this we will see the support of all mis-
sionaries.

Yours faithfully,
J. H. OLDHAM.



Lovedale,

15th November 9.

Dear Mr. Gibson,

I have received the subjoined letter. Please say whether you agree that, acting on behalf of the Executive of the General Conference of South Africa, I should inform the Government that the action of the General Mission Board of the D. R. Church has the support of the Executive.

P. O. Box 325, Cape Town. Yours faithfully,

A. C. Murray
Secy., Gen. Miss. Conf. of S. Africa

I have a letter from Rev. J. H. Oldham, intimating that an international meeting will be held near Geneva from 22nd to 28th June. Its purpose will be to discuss the relations and governments in the light of the new conditions created by the war. Should you be able to be present at this Conference? If you find you can go, you should get into touch with Rev. J. H. Oldham, 117 Victoria Street, London, S.W. 1. Immediately on your arrival in the old country.

Dear Sir:

The General Mission Board of the D. R. Church has instructed me to bring the following matter before your attention, with the request that the Executive of the General Missionary Conference should support us in our representation to the Government. The following appeared recently in the daily press: - "The Minister of Native Affairs announced that Government is seriously considering the establishment of a Council of Native Affairs, - a Council of three persons who could go from place to place and get in touch with both Natives and Whites, and report to the Minister."

Our Mission Board has requested the Government to appoint one member of this Board as the representative of the various churches and mission societies that are working in the Union of South Africa.

We feel assured that in this we will have the support of all missionaries.

With hearty Christian greetings,
Yours very sincerely,
(Signed) A. C. MURRAY.



24th April 1920.

J. C. Gibson, Esq.,
P. O. Box 325, Cape Town.

Dear Mr. Gibson,

I have a letter from Rev. J. H. Oldham, intimating that an international meeting will be held near Geneva from 22nd to 27th June. Its purpose will be to discuss the relations of missions and governments in the light of the new conditions created by the war. Should you be able to be present at it, I should be glad. If you find you can go, you should get into touch with Rev. J. H. Oldham, 117 Victoria Street, London, S.W. 1. immediately on your arrival in the old country.

Yours sincerely



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15th May 1920.

GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

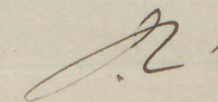
The Rt. Hon. the Prime Minister,

CAPE TOWN.

Sir,

In connection with the announcement in Parliament that powers will be asked for to appoint a Council of Native Affairs to consist of three persons whose duty it will be to be in close touch with Native questions and to report to and advise the Minister, I am instructed by the Executive Committee of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa to place before you the suggestion that one of the members of the proposed Council should be a man with knowledge of and ability to represent South Africa missionary experience and opinion, and that the General Missionary Conference through its Executive might be invited to submit a nomination.

Yours faithfully,



GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE

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21st June, 1920.

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Rev. A. J. Lennard,
Clarkebury.

Dear Mr. Lennard,

It is with much regret that I find it will be impossible for me to be present at the meeting of the Executive of the General Missionary Conference at Bloemfontein on the 14th proximo. Dr. Henderson will be here in about a week's time, and there are a number of large and difficult questions which will fall to be discussed, and which will demand my presence, and I feel that it will be impossible for me to be absent from the Institution so soon after his return, and at the very time when these questions will be receiving consideration. Please convey my apology to the Executive, and ask them to be good enough to appoint someone to act at the Meeting.

I am sending to you under separate cover some papers that have come to hand since we met in July last year.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

J. Lennard

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GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Rev. Arthur Edmunds,

Palmerston,

Rev. A. J. Haile, M.A. John's.
via Port St. John's.

TIGERKLOOF.

Dear Sir,
Dear Mr. Haile,

I am sending you a copy of the Minutes of a meeting of the Executive of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa which was held at Stellenbosch on the 14th ult. It is hoped to hold next Conference in Natal in mid-year 1921. I invite you to prepare a study among Native South Africans and encourage them to undertake this. May I invite your attention to the paragraph near the end of the Minutes on a Review of South African Missions. It was agreed to invite you to consider the compilation of a Review of Christian Missions in South Africa on lines similar to those followed in 'Christianity in the Japanese Empire.' I am not familiar personally with this Japanese Review, but Dr. J. Dexter Taylor, Adams Mission Station, Natal, promised to let you have his copy should you not already have one. The idea was expressed strongly that in South Africa we lack anything that gives a united presentation of the Missionary work that is going on. The annual review in the International Review of Missions is necessarily limited in space and scope. There is need for the S. African missionary enterprise to be presented. It is a big piece of work, and would call for balance, arresting presentation and ability to make a living whole out of many details. There are many material questions that at once suggest themselves, questions of expense of production, guarantees, etc., etc. Will you look into the question, and let me know what you think about it? I suggest that you write to Dr. Taylor. He has just returned from America where they give much attention to such a matter as this, and his views and information are likely to prove useful.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. Linnell

Gen. Secretary.



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GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

2nd August 1920.

Rev. Arthur Edmunds, CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Palmerton,

via Port St. John's.

Dear Sir,

I am sending you a copy of the Minutes of a meeting of the Executive of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa held at Bloemfontein on the 14th ult. It is hoped to hold next Conference in Natal in mid-year 1921. In preparation for this a number of papers were planned, and I have been asked to invite you to prepare one on "What steps can be employed to encourage Bible study among Native Converts?" I shall be glad to hear from you whether you will kindly undertake this.

Yours sincerely,

You will note that you have been invited to prepare a paper for the next Conference on the subject of the Contribution the Bantu Christians may be expected to make to Christian thought.

Hon. Secretary.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

James

Hon. Secretary.



GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA
2nd August 1920.
GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Rev. E. J. Ross, M.A.,
Rev. E. Cunningham,
Rev. E. Jacottet, 43 Bedford Road,
Merija, Stellenbosch,
Dear Mr. Ross, ENGL.

Dear Mr. Ross, I am sending you a copy of the Minutes of the meeting held at Bloemfontein on 14th ultimo. In it you will notice that I have sent you a copy of the minutes of the meeting of Executive of the General Missionary Conference at Bloemfontein 14th ultimo. It was a matter of regret to us that neither you nor Mr. Casalis was able to be present. It was agreed to hold a Conference in 1921, unless circumstances show between now and 31st January next that further postponement is still advisable.

You will note that you have been invited to prepare a paper for the next Conference on the subject of the Contribution the Bantu Christians may be expected to make to Christian thought.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,
T. J. ...

T. J. ...

Hon. Secretary.



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GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.
GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Rev. E. J. Ross, M.A.,
Rev. E. Cunningham,
c/o THE MACDONALD BROS.,

Junction Ferry,
Dear Mr. Ross, TSOLO.

Dear Mr. Mackinnon sending you a copy of the Minutes of the meeting of Executive of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa held at Bloemfontein on 14th ult. In it you will notice that it is hoped that the next Conference will be held in Natal in 1921. A number of individual papers were proposed for the Conference, and the Executive invites you to prepare a paper on the subject: "The best methods of reaching the 'red' in the older parts of the Transvaal." These you are invited to prepare on "How can closer and more sympathetic relations between the European Missionary and the 'Natives' be established?"

With kindest regards,
Yours sincerely,

The concluding sentence of the resolution states the mind of the Association is that the most useful contribution to the General Conference may be made if each of those invited deals with whatever subject indicated may be most vital in their own country.

I shall be glad to hear if your Association will be able to co-operate in this matter. It will be of advantage if your Hon. Secretary's report may be printed for circulation before the next meeting of the General Missionary Conference and be subject of discussion at the Conference itself.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Hon. Secretary



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GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Rev. A. A. Louw,
Rev. E. Makiwane,
c/o Messrs. Macdonald Bros.,
Junction Ferry,

Dear Sir, TSOLO.

Dear Mr. Makiwane, a copy of the Minutes of the meeting of Executive of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa which met at Bloemfontein on the 14th of last month. In it you will notice that it is hoped to hold next Conference in 1921 in Natal. Arrangements were made for a number of papers and amongst these you are invited to prepare one on How can closer and more sympathetic relations between the European Missionary and the Native people be promoted.

With kind regards,

The concluding sentence of the paragraph under consideration states the mind of Yours sincerely, that the most useful contribution to the General Conference would be made if each of these invited dealt with whatever subjects within the range indicated may be most vital in their areas.

I shall be glad to hear from you in due course whether your Association will be able to co-operate in this matter. If so, it will be of advantage if your report could be in my hands not later than 31st March 1921, so that if possible these reports may be printed for circulation before the next meeting of the General Missionary Conference and be subject of discussion at the Conference itself.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Hon. Secretary.



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GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Rev. A. A. Louw,
Morgenster,
Great Zimbabwe.

Dear Sir,

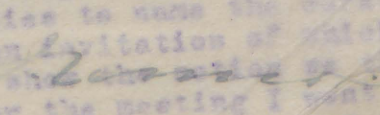
I enclose a copy of the Minutes of the meeting of Executive of the General Missionary Conference of South Africa which met at Bloemfontein on the 14th ultimo, and beg to invite your attention to the paragraph on Reports on Social, Economic and Legislative Questions affecting the Progress of Christianity and Civilization among the Natives. At a meeting of the Sub-Committee of Executive which met a year ago, it was resolved to invite the Missionary Associations of the Transvaal, Transkei and Natal to prepare reports on this matter for submission to the next General Conference. You will note that it was resolved at this recent meeting to invite the Rhodesian Missionary Association to do the same.

The concluding sentence of the paragraph under consideration states the mind of the Executive "that the most useful contribution to the General Conference would be made if each of these invited dealt with whatever subjects within the range indicated may be most vital in their areas."

I shall be glad to hear from you in due course whether your Association will be able to co-operate in this matter. If so, it will be of advantage if your report can be in my hands not later than 31st March 1921, so that if possible these reports may be printed for circulation before the next meeting of the General Missionary Conference and be subject of discussion at the Conference itself.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,


Hon. Secretary.


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GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

I told him that I had come a long distance out of my way mainly to tell him at first hand what had been done in this connection at 117 Victoria Street. I said I would send him copies of the minutes of the meeting. LONDON, S.W.1. and he promised to distribute to the leading German missionaries. After this he was more cordial.

Dear Mr. Oldham,

I am sending you copies of the minutes of a meeting of the Executive of the General Missionary Conference of S. Africa which was held at Elenfontein on the 14th ultimo. May I ask you to be good enough to send a copy to Ben Mett with my compliments. This meeting was appointed to be held in 1919 but we held a year ago. In many ways it was a pity that we were not meeting later when we might have had some information from the conference at Geneva. In passing, I shall be grateful if you have a report of that conference which might have. You will see from the minutes that we hope to hold a conference next year in Natal. The last was in 1912. From the wording of the minute you will see that we are not sure even yet if a 1921 conference will be possible. We had to face the facts that the German missionaries have been very sore since the publication of the Peace Treaty. It was subsequent to that that they withdrew from the Transvaal Missionary Association for example. They give two reasons. First, that they are debarred from returning to places where they have worked for decades, e.g. the Gold Coast and East Africa, and that Roman Catholics have been asked to occupy some of these places. The gravamen here I believe is that they say the Allied Protestant Missionary Societies have raised no protest. Of the facts in this connection I am rather ignorant. Can you enlighten me? Second, that in South Africa they have been placed under the indignity of having their mission property placed under curators, even though German private property is now free from such control. Their soreness is not removed even though they admit that the working of this provision of the Versailles Treaty has been made as light as possible by Gen. Smuts, who has asked the German societies to name the curators who would be most welcome to themselves, an invitation of which they have availed themselves. The minutes show the action we thought it right to take in this matter. After the meeting I went on to Johannesburg and called on Rev. H. Kuschke, the senior or second senior German missionary in the Transvaal. While he thanked me for my visit, he told me the German missionaries would not attend the General Conference and quoted the reasons of which I already was in possession.



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I told him that I had come a long distance out of my way mainly to tell him at first hand what had been done in this connection at the Executive meeting. I said I would send him copies of the minutes which I asked him and he promised to distribute to the leading German missionaries. After this he was more cordial.

We have, however, to face the possibility that while trying to remove difficulties from the minds of the German missionaries, we may have placed new difficulties in the minds of some of the French and French Swiss missionaries. Some of them feel very strongly that Germany is unrepentant, and that so long as this state of mind continues they cannot meet German missionaries in friendly conferences. Time will soon show whether in trying to remove one difficulty we have not created a worse one. Personally I hope that it will be possible for the General Conference to meet next year. The longer we wait, the more difficult will the next meeting be. Indeed if much longer time elapses before the General Conference meets, the interest in the Conference will die, and it will have to be started again de novo.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. G. ...



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GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA. 2nd August 1920.

10th August 1920.

GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Rev. Prof. J. du Plessis,

Rev. J. Sandstrom,
Ekutulehi,
NATAL.

Dear Mr. Sandstrom,

When filing some old letters I came on enclosed
I am sending you a copy of the Minutes of the
meeting of the Executive of the General Missionary Conference which
was held at Bloemfontein on the 14th Oct. You will note that
it is hoped to hold the next General Conference in Natal in July
1921. In preparation for this, a number of papers were proposed,
and I am asked by the Executive to invite you to prepare a paper
on the subject: "Evangelism as the primary duty of Missions."
I trust that you will be able to undertake this for the Conference.
Perhaps you had better keep the letters
with kind regards,

Thanks for the copy Yours sincerely, of God.

You may remember that it was left to us to de-
cide whether a Conference should be held in 1921 or should be
still longer delayed. We were to be guided by our own
feelings as to German ex-territory. The line has reached me indicating feeling either
as the others. This being so, I consider that
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it is well to take a reasoned decision, and I
your letter now under reply indicates that no reason had come
to your knowledge that would suggest delay.

Yours sincerely,
Hon. Secretary.

with kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

[Handwritten signature]



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GENERAL MISSIONARY CONFERENCE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Lovedale,

10th August 1920.

Lovedale, 2nd November 20.

29th November 20.

Rev. Prof. J. du Plessis,
Rev. J. Stellenbosch,
Adams M. S.,
University of Natal.

Dear Prof. Plessis,

When filing some old letters I came on enclosed
attached with a copy of one from Mr. Willoughby about the
of the evidence of his report. If you have not yet
written him, you will want to see this letter and write in the light
of which admitted of no delay.

These letters came when I was absent from the Institute
had been laid aside for me. I am sorry that they were not
in our hands when we were speaking about the Uniformity of Discipline
at Bloemfontein. Perhaps you had better keep the letters
as you will have seen on the same subject.
of the "Christian Express" is quite clear, and there can be
no difficulty in seeing that the Kingdom of God."

You may remember that it was left to us to decide
whether a Conference should be held in 1921 or should be
still longer delayed. We were to be guided by our individual
feelings as to German or anti-German questions. Not
has reached us indicating feeling either these way or
the other. This being so, I consider that we are
impressed with the preparations. As this point was left to us,
it is well to take a reasoned decision, and I take it that
your letter now under reply indicates that no reason has come
to your knowledge that would suggest delay.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,

J. Murray



Lovedale,
Lovedale, 2nd November 20.
20th November 20.

Prof. J. D. Taylor, D.D.,
Adams M.S.,
University of Natal.

Dear Dr. Taylor,

I duly received your letter of the 16th ultimo, and if I have been delayed in replying to it, it has been because we have recently had a deputation from our Foreign Mission Committee which has caused a good deal of work to pass through my hands which admitted of no delay. The session at Bloemfontein when Mr. ... As far as I know, the middle of July will suit the General Missionary Conference at Durban, and you should proceed with preparations on that basis. If you can let me have information from time to time we shall be able to let a considerable number of missionaries know through the columns of the "Christian Express." It is quite clear, and there can be no difficulty in acceding to your request.

You may remember that it was left to us to decide whether a Conference should be held in 1921 or should be still longer delayed. We were to be guided by any indications of public feeling either the one way or the other. It is now clear that we are right to proceed with the preparations. As this point was left to us, it is well to take a reasoned decision, and I take it that your letter now under reply indicates that no reason has come to your knowledge that would suggest delay.

With kind regards,
with kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. ...



Levedale,

29th November 20.

Professor Nerten,

University,

CAPE TOWN.

Dear Professor Nerten,

I have pleasure, in acknowledging receipt of your letter of the 17th instant, in saying that the contribution you kindly offer to the next meeting of the General Missionary Conference will be very welcome. I remember the session at Bloemfontein when Mr. Goodenough and you raised the question of suitable tunes and measures for Bantu hymns and dwelt on the absurdity of putting iambic tunes to trochaic verse.

The standing which you suggest that you should hold in the Conference is quite clear, and there can be no difficulty in acceding to your request.

The date of the Conference is the middle of July 1921, and it is to meet at Durban. I have not yet heard the exact day of the opening, which depends on mail boat arrangements. Intimation will be given in good time through the "Christian Express" and other papers.

Thanks for your kind expression of sympathy.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,



South African Native College,
Fert Hare, Alice.
South African Native College. 31.
Fert Hare, Alice.
26th April 21.

Rev. J. F. Goring,
Rev. A. Murray Refmeyer,
In Staff College School,
VILJOESDRIFT,
Dear Mr. Goring, O. V. S.

Dear Mr. Refmeyer, I have received a letter from Rev. A. Murray Refmeyer asking about the commission on which he was invited to act in the 1919 meeting. I regretted that from your letter of the 18th inst. that you have not been consulted with about the commission on which he was asked to act with Mr. Corbridge. I enclose a copy of the proceedings of the 1919 meeting. My recollection is that Rev. Mr. Murray undertakes to discuss the matter with you. But however that may be, it is a pity that so much time has elapsed without the matter being satisfactorily discussed. I enclose a copy of the minutes of the 1919 meeting, but they include:

"It was decided to have received some of the contributions that were invited, and it was stated that though the time now till Conference is short, it will be well to get something for the Free State and Kimberley. It was suggested that Mr. Goring in case he has been in the same way, or yourself, and it would be a good thing if you also would communicate with him. I have only this one copy of the minutes left, and you might kindly send it on to Mr. Corbridge if he is in the order that the reports might be printed if possible.

With reference to Mr. Goring, it was agreed to invite Rev. F. Henderson and Dr. Macvicar to be the nucleus of a Conference, and that they should join them. Mr. Goring, Mr. Refmeyer and Rev. Mr. Goring were invited to act in the same capacity and with the same power. For questions relating to Coloured People, Rev. A. F. Murray was asked to form a Committee for the same purpose. Agreed to recommend to each of these Commissions that they associate with themselves Native Ministers or other Natives versed in the subjects to be discussed.

Though late in the day, I hope you can act, and I have suggested to Mr. Goring that he write to you on the subject.
With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

Henry J. ...



South African Native College,
Fort Hare, ALICE,
26th April 31.

Rev. J. F. Goring,
P. O. Box 4390,
JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Mr. Goring,

I have received a letter from Rev. A. Murray Hofmeyr asking about the commission on which he was invited to act by the 1919 meeting of sub-committee of Executive of the Gen. Miss. Conference. My recollection is that Rev. A. C. Murray undertook to speak to him and to you about this, but however that may be, it seems Mr. Hofmeyr has been waiting for a message, and perhaps you are in the same position.

I have not a spare copy of the minutes of the 1919 meeting, but they include:

"It was resolved to ask the Transvaal Missionary Association, the Transkei Missionary Association, and the Natal Missionary Association each to appoint a Commission to prepare a report for the General Missionary Conference on Social, Economic and Legislative questions affecting the progress of Christianity and civilisation among the Natives within their bounds, such report to be sent to the Secretary of the Conference not later than 31st December, 1920, in order that the reports might be printed if possible.

With reference to the Cis-Kai, it was agreed to invite Rev. J. Handerson and Dr. Macvicar to be the nucleus of a Commission, and that they should invite others to join them upon it. For Kimberley and the Orange Free State, **Rev. A. M. Hofmeyr and Rev. Mr. Goring were invited to act in the same capacity and with the same power.** For questions relating to Coloured People, Rev. A. V. Murray was asked to form a Commission for the same purpose. Agreed to recommend to each of these Commissions that they associate with themselves Native Ministers or other Natives versed in the subjects to be discussed."

Though late in the day, I hope you can act, and I have suggested to Mr. Hofmeyr that he write to you on the subject.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. Linn



Kgopah

15th October 1921.
27th September 1921.

Rev. J. Dewar,
188, Loop Street,
MARITZBURG.
Legalite
Marobala School,
PIETERSBURG.

Dear Mr. Dewar, I regret that your letter of 22nd September was

I delayed replying to your letter of 2nd August till I should have had opportunity of consulting with the Theological Students Committee on the question you raised of a modified theological course for the two students, trained at Impolweni as evangelists, who may eventually be ordained by the Natal Presbytery. The Committee met yesterday, and I consulted them about it, making it clear at the same time that your letter was unofficial.

enclose a copy of the prospectus, and you will notice that the class has not been opened to the South African Native College. From what you tell of the attainments in general education of these men, they would not be admitted as students of the Native College. Its standard of entrance at present is the Cape T3 (Junior) Certificate, or its equivalent, of the School Junior Certificate (formerly known as the School Higher), and to these requirements our theological students conform, of character and suitability for acceptance for training for the ministry. Your minister, Rev. A. Htuli, is with the School Study Committee regulations and will be able of policy with regard to these men's case. But they suggest, if your Presbytery decide on their course this action in relation to the future service of these evangelists, that it might assist you if they, the Committee, prepared a syllabus of work for the students, and when they were ready examined them thereon. The men would require to be prepared or directed in their preparation locally. Perhaps some of the Natal men might be able to arrange to give this oversight and assistance. If the Committee's suggested offer of help is likely to be of use to you, will you let me know in due course?

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,



Kgopah

30th November 1921.

15th October 1921.

Mr. Wilson Mibenge,
Nganduli.

Mr. A. M. Kgopali,
Legalias Siding,
Marobala School,
PIETERSBURG.

I greatly regret that your letter of 22nd September was
Dear Sir, and has not been answered before now. you to let me have the

THEOLOGICAL CLASS.

The present ~~class~~ Theological Class
of students will begin their Preparatory Year of Arts study at the
beginning of 1923. I saw the present arrangement
may be modified. Rev. Dr. Henderson has handed me your letter of the
16th ultimo in which you enquire about the Theological Class. I
enclose a copy of the prospectus, and you will notice that that the
class has now been transferred to the South African Native College.

moved over here from Lovedale
enjoying the
The next class will be formed at the beginning of
1923. Applicants for admission to the class send full particulars
of their training, etc to me, and also require to be recommended
by their Presbytery in respect of character and suitability for
acceptance for training for the ministry. Your minister, Rev. A.
Ntuli, is well acquainted with these regulations and will be able
to advise you on any particulars on which you may wish information.
If you wish, you may show him this letter.

Yours sincerely,

H. H. ...



29th November 1921.
3th December 1921.

4th November 1921.

Mr. Wilson Nditongo,
Mbanduli.

Dear Sir,

I am passing to you the papers written by the six THEOLOGICAL CLASS.

I greatly regret that your letter of 22nd September was laid aside and has not been answered before now. you to let me have the

The present arrangement is that the next Theological Class of students will begin their Preparatory Year of Arts study at the beginning of 1923. I say 'the present arrangement', because plans may be modified, and if so, you will be able to hear through the Clerk of your Presbytery. You allow me to offer a word of criticism of the

Thanks for your good wishes. As perhaps you know I moved over here from Lovedale at the beginning of this year, and am enjoying the work at the College. Introductions Nos. 5 and 6 are general

With thanks for your letter and with all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

and on study of the text of the Gospel, Minister, and the Spirit of the Gospel. Nos. 9 and 10 on the events of Passion week. The general course of the Passover Feast depend more upon the text-book notes. I think the balance of the paper would have been better if there had been a call for exegetical knowledge, to which the students have devoted a good deal of time.

Had there been time between the receipt of your question and the date of the examination, I would have corresponded with you if it was necessary to place the questions in the hands of the examiners. That was impossible, and so I venture to offer this word of criticism which might be kept in mind in adjudging the values.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely, J. Linn



29th November 1921.

5th December 1921.

Messrs. Messers, 11-12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000

17th December 1921.

I am pasting to you the papers written by the six

theological students on the questions you set on St. Mark's Gospel. I thank you for your wire of the 2nd instant, to which I am only to-day able to reply. If it will be convenient for you to let me have the quantities asked for in my letter of 24th September, due to my falling short of the quantities which were to be answered.

Will you allow me to offer a word of criticism of the questions and quantities for section "A", and we propose to ask Levedale Institute whose budding because of their absence of any questions of exegesis? This will be a something definite in this direction to place before our four questions are Introduction, Nos. 5 and 6 are generalis- proceed with the drawings and quantities so that this may be done. The amount that will be necessary for furnishing the Hostel will be small and use of Parable; 7 and 8 depend on study of the text with safety.

I accept responsibility for the delay that has occurred between September and now. Nos. 9 and 10 on the events of Passion by with and help the usual course of the Passover Feast depend more uponish to expedite matters as much as possible at this side.

I think the balance of the paper would have been better if there had been a call for exegetical knowledge, to which, naturally, the students have devoted a good deal of time.

Had there been time between the receipt of your ques- tion and the date of the examination, I would have corresponded with you before it was necessary to place the questions in the hands of the students. That was impossible, and so I venture to offer this word of explanation, which might be kept in mind in adjudging the values.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely, J. Lemmer



5th December 1921.

29th February 1922.

17th December 1921.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Westminster House,
Longmarket Street,
CAPE TOWN.

Dear Sirs,
Westminster House,
Longmarket Str.
CAPE TOWN.

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: SOUTH AFRICAN NATIVE COLLEGE.

I thank you for your wire of the 2nd instant, to which I am only to-day able to reply.

I am sorry there has been delay in the preparation of plans and quantities asked for in my letter of 24th September, due to my failing that you were waiting a reply to your letter of 29th September.

The position is that we decided to ask you to prepare plans and quantities for Section "A", and we propose to ask Lovedale Institute whose building department is on the spot, to give us a tentative estimate. This will give us something definite in this direction to place before our Foreign Mission Committee in Scotland. I shall be glad if you will proceed with the drawings and quantities so that this may be done.

The amount that will be necessary for furnishing the Hostel will be small relatively to the cost of the building, and I think we may with safety neglect this factor for the present.

I accept responsibility for the delay that has occurred between September and now, and I shall be greatly obliged if you can assist us by pushing on with these quantities now. It takes time to communicate with and hear from our Foreign Mission Committee in Scotland, and we wish to expedite matters as much as possible at this side.

The disposal of rain and lavatory water can be run off on the ground at a sufficient distance from the Hostel building. The latter requires consideration. I like your idea of a percolation pit or trench. At the Wesleyan Hostel, this matter of lavatory water is still requiring to be dealt with, and we have learned from their experience what to avoid.

Yours faithfully,

Yours sincerely,



9th February 1922.

17th December 1921.

Mr. Jabez M. Mboniwa,
Messrs. Parker & Burayth,
Westminster House,
Longmarket Street,
CAPE TOWN.

Dear Sirs,
I duly received your letter of the 20th January and have pleasure in noting your purpose to present yourself for theological training.

1. I cannot tell you definitely the distance from the College water supply to the new building, because the exact site of the building in the available stand is still a matter for final consideration. In the case of the Wesleyan Hostel, the building is set back about 65 yards from the water main. This runs parallel to the Wesleyan Hostel front, and the same line will hold in our case. I think you might try provisionally the same distance from main to Hostel.
2. The new latrines will not be connected with an existing septic tank. We shall require an installation of our own. Again to quote what has been done in the Wesleyan Hostel, the latrines are about 50 yards behind the back of the Hostel, and drain into a septic tank about 30 yards from the latrines. The line of the connection between latrines and septic tank was a widening parallel to the line of the Hostel back and front, this being determined by the fall of the ground.
3. The disposal of rain and lavatory water: the former can be run off on the ground at a sufficient distance from the Hostel building. The latter requires consideration. I like your idea of a percolation pit or trench. At the Wesleyan Hostel, this matter of lavatory water is still requiring to be dealt with, and we have learned from their experience what to avoid.

Yours sincerely,

J. J. ...



9th February 1922.

Mr. Jabaz M. Mboniwa,
c/o A. A. Morrison, Esq.,
Barr.,
BUTTERWORTH.

Dear Mr. Mboniwa,

I duly received your letter of the 20th January and have pleasure in noting your purpose to present yourself for theological training.

I enclose a pamphlet giving some particulars about our Presbyterian course. There are changes since this was compiled in 1915, but the main lines of it still hold. In particular, I wish to invite your attention to the conditions of acceptance of theological students. The best thing for you to do is to send through your missionary an application to your Presbytery to be recognised by them as a student preparing for the ministry and to ask the Presbytery to send their recommendation of you as one worthy to be received as a theological student to myself as Convener of the Synod's Theological Students Committee. You can show this letter to Rev. B. J. Ross who will help you in carrying out what is necessary.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,





Telegrams : KERR, Alice.
Telephones : College : 27
Principal :
Residence : 21
P.O. Box 8.

14th February 1922.

FORT HARE,

ALICE,

CAPE PROVINCE.

REV PRINCIPAL
ALEXANDER KERR, M.A., D.D.

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL AT FORT HARE.

In reply please quote

I am sending you the plans and specifications prepared by Messrs. Parker & Forsyth, and the Rev. Mr. ... Building and Carpentry Departments will consider what they would be prepared to do for the work for. The information you are asked, will be sent home to the Foreign Mission Committee, and they will decide whether we shall be able to proceed with the plan for your consideration.

The Rev. Mr. ... are invited to submit their proposals. It is understood that the plans may eventually be accepted. Mr. ... to tender.

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15/6/22*

certain modifications to the plans of the Hostel, the cost is estimated at £1800. It has been decided to defer immediate consideration of the building of the warden's house. (Miss. 1850 and 2070)

The Committee agreed to make a grant of £2000 being the amount to hand for this Hostel, and to sanction the purchase of the building. The remainder of the sum required will be sought by appeal to the South Africa and sent no further appeal.

I objected to the ... of the plan ... I had then that their idea of hostel provision would require to spend my money. ... I suggested to the ... they should add the ... in the ... I think this will go through the ... by ... Your letter to ... was very sympathetically received.



South Africa Committee
15/6/22

South Africa Native College: Hostel.—Submitted letter (March 28) from Rev. John Lennox forwarding revised plans and estimate for the Presbyterian Hostel at Fort Hare. Mr. Lennox states that after making certain modifications on the plans of the Hostel, the cost is estimated at £7500. It has been decided to defer meantime consideration of the building of the warden's house. (Mins. 5950 and 5620.)

The Committee agreed to make a grant of £5000, being the amount in hand for this Hostel, and to sanction the ^{immediate commencement} erection of the building; ~~on the understanding that~~ the remainder of the sum required shall be raised in South Africa and ~~that~~ no further appeal shall be made to the Committee for the Hostel buildings. ^{in the meantime}

Presbyterian



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PRINCIPAL
 ALEXANDER KERR, M.A.

FORT HARE,
 ALICE,
 CAPE PROVINCE.

In reply please quote

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 10/6/22

Dear Sir,

I attended what Party Day calls
 the African 'Club' on Thursday last to elucidate
 the budget minutes about the Hostel.

They are recommending that building
 start at once with the £5000 and agreed to
 change the minutes so as not to give the impression
 that the balance must be raised before their consent
 was final. They expect to get the balance from
 the Congregationalists & Presbyterians in S. Africa!!

I objected to the finality of the grant & tried
 to show them that their ideas of hostel provision
 would require to expand very shortly. Party Day
 was pleased to say that however uncompromising
 were the views of the Finance Committee's reports, it
 did not mean that they had said their last
 word as to the grant. I suggested to them that
 they should add the words "in the meantime"

I think this will go through the big Committee.
 I am very hand up. Your letter to Party Day
 was read & was very sympathetically received.
 I read your position in very kind terms.



Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

28th March 1922.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE: FORT HARE

In answer to the criticism that the
In view of the financial position, it has seemed impossible to
Hastel, or any adequate portion of it, and a Warden's House
could both be built at the cost that is available.
I have discussed this with the Committee on several occasions, and
have decided.
On 13th June 1921 I sent to the Foreign Mission Committee
a sketch plans of a Hostel and a Warden's House which had been prepared by
Messrs. Parker & Forsyth of Cape Town. It was then suggested that a
portion of the plan of the Hostel, consisting of the front and one wing,
might be proceeded with first, and the rest be left for some future time.
This portion would include the Library, Office, Students' Common Room,
two Lavatories and, by utilising for the present the Study and Spare Room
as dormitories, there would be Dormitory accommodation for 35 students.
I may explain in passing that the Library would also be the class-room
in which our theological students would be taught. The architects' estim-
ated cost for this section was £7,500.

At that time, there was also sent home a sketch of a
house for the Warden, which the architects estimated would cost £3,200.

The F. M. Committee's reply ran mainly on two lines,
(1) That these estimates were beyond the amount which the Committee had
at their disposal for the purpose. (2) That what had been sent Home was
indefinite and incomplete, and left too many loop-holes for additional
expense. I understand also that some members of the Committee were dis-
posed to criticise the type of building proposed, and the provision made
for future extension so that the Hostel eventually might accommodate 90
or 100 students.

The Hostel Committee have given most careful and earnest
consideration to the whole matter, both in its financial aspect, and in
respect of the criticism to which I have referred.

The Committee are convinced that the plan is sound, suit-
ed to the conditions of this country, and in reasonable conformity with
the general style of the existing and projected buildings of the College.
We had the benefit of the experience of the late Mr. Parker of Cape Town,
an architect with great knowledge of this class of work.

I may mention in passing that it was never intended
either in our own or in any of the other hostels of the College that one of
Warden should preside over more than, say, 50 or 60 students. When the
of our students will exceed that number, the time will have come
to consider the appointment of a Sub-Warden. When the total number of
ts will exceed say 100, it will be time to consider the erection of
a new House.

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(3) In answer to the criticism that there would be a saving if, under one breadth of roof, there were two rows of rooms, experience in this country is against such a suggestion for Hostel purposes. An ordinary joint and decorated floor were substituted, there would be a saving of 2500.

In view of the financial position, it has seemed impossible to hope that a Hostel, or any adequate portion of it, and a Warden's House could both be built at the present time with the money that is available. I have discussed this with Rev. Dr. Henderson on several occasions, and I have decided, in view of my present circumstances, to recommend the F. M. Committee to use all the available capital towards building the Hostel, and to leave over for the present the building the Warden's House. I propose to occupy, say, two of the single Study-Bedrooms marked in the plan, such less cost, adequate supervision in the interest of the F. M. Committee.

The Carpentry Department also is confident that by using stock doors and other. In making this proposal, the Committee will allow me to say that this should be only a temporary measure. I do not dwell on what it may mean to myself to be without the convenience and comfort of a house of my own. I feel it perhaps best for the sake of my daughter who has no home at present to which she can come during her teacher's vacations. I feel convinced that a house, to which the Warden can invite his students, and where he can develop friendly relations more easily than in the more formal and communal conditions of the Hostel, is essential for the production and maintenance of the proper atmosphere which ought to prevail.

You will have heard from Mr. Kerr that the working on with our Hostel is. After receipt of the F. M. Committee's reply, the architects were asked to prepare bills of quantities and these were placed in the hand of Dr. Henderson who asked the heads of the Building and Carpentry Departments to submit an informal estimate so that we might have definite figures to go upon. You will notice that the present figures include a latrine and septic, not included in the architects' original estimate.

Various drawings that have been sent to us. I have no other copy of the drawings, and. Levedale's figure for the front, one wing, and the latrine and septic tank and as now specified in detail by the architects, is 28,874. 6. 8, to which falls to be added the architects' and surveyor's fees.

With kind regards,

The Levedale departmental heads point out that savings can be effected in several ways without impairing the quality of the work.

(1) The architects specified machine-made bricks from Grahams town, on which the railage would be more than the original cost. By using Levedale's own bricks, there would be a saving of 21183, 14. 0.

(2) The architects specify building in lime, which has to be brought from Johannesburg, with heavy rail charges. The experience of all the builders in this district is that the local earth or 'dagga' is better than lime for inside building. A saving could be effected here of



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(3) The architects specify that between the first and second storeys there should be reinforced concrete flooring with a wooden floor laid on the top. If this concrete flooring were cut out, and an ordinary joist and deafened floor were substituted, there would be a saving of £500.

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These three savings would bring the estimate down to £7,090, with the Architects' and Surveyor's fees in addition. We are considering whether it would not be well at this point to settle with the architects for the work that they have done to the present time, and to carry out the building through Lovedale. We should thus save the expense of the architect's four or five journeys from Cape Town, and we could secure locally, and at much less cost, adequate supervision in the interest of the F. M. Committee. The Carpentry Department also is confident that by using stock doors and other fittings instead of purpose-made doors, etc. other economies could be effected.

The net result is that we see our way to have the portion of the plan now contemplated built for £7,500. It is true that this is £2,500 more than the money which the Foreign Mission Committee have in hand. But on behalf of our local committee I earnestly commend this revised and detailed proposal to the F. M. Committee for their acceptance.

You will have heard from Mr. Kerr that the pushing on with our Hostel is an urgent matter. We have used all expedition on this side to obtain the definite proposals now submitted, and I trust that we shall receive the Home Committee's sanction to proceed to building at an early date.

I am sending a copy of the Schedule of Quantities and the various drawings that have been sent to us. I have no other copy of the drawings, and shall be glad if you will kindly return them at your earliest convenience.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



30th May 1922.

11th April 1922.

5th April 1922.

Rev. J. A. Davison, M.A.,
Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Davison, receipt of your letter of the 20th instant, I

Dear Mr. Ashcroft, I have delayed replying to your enquiry of the 27th
ultage about the two students Messrs. Jelobe and Ekungu, because
I have not yet received the REPORTS ON THE PROGRESS OF THE STUDENTS AT THE COLLEGE.
I longer delay, and send you the results to hand.

It occurred to Dr. Henderson and myself after my
letter of last week sending you specifications and informal estimate
was posted, to say that we trust that if the Foreign Mission Committee
cannot immediately see their way to sanctioning the expenditure involved
in the plans now sent to you, they might at least sanction our going on
with as much of the plan as can be put up for the money at present in
hand. I make this suggestion because we are strongly of opinion that
the plan is a good one and what we require, and also because the need
for our getting our Hostel put up without delay is urgent.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



Jelobe's work is unusual, pointing to a love for certain subjects
and a weakness in others. The examiners remarked on a disposition
to deal in generalities and to be vague in details where accuracy
should have been found. These remarks as to the quality of the work
he submitted have been discussed with the examiners, making an
honest effort to overcome the weakness, and their special

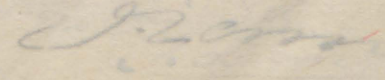
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students concerned.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



30th May 1922.
30th 11th April 1922.

Rev. J. A. Davidson, M.A.,
Teche, G.,
Mt. Fletcher.

Dear Mr. Davidson,

I have delayed replying to your enquiry of the 27th ult. about the two students Messrs. Jelebe and Nkunga, because I have not yet received the report on their sermons. But I cannot longer delay, and send you the results to hand.

These students took the examination set by the examiners invited to set by the Theological Committee of the Synod. Their results are:

	History	Romans, I-VIII	Mark's Gospel
L. Jelebe	83%	48	62
G. Nkunga	50	50	52

Jelebe's work is unequal, pointing to a love for certain subjects and a weakness in others. The examiners remarked on a disposition to deal in generalities and to be vague in details where accuracy should have been found. These remarks on the quality of the work he submitted have been discussed with him, and he is making an honest effort to overcome the weakness.

Nkunga's work is a steady, fair average. This is very faithful in his work. My own judgment in his case is that the responsibilities of practical work will awaken powers that still are dormant. He is a steady faithful worker who, so far, has evinced medium ability.

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With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

J. Davidson



30th May 1922.

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Rev. J. A. Davidson, M.A.,
Mr. James Mungilewa,
c/o Mr. Anderson, Esq.,
Bawa Station,

Dear Mr. Davidson, BUTTERWORTH.

On receipt of your letter of the 26th instant, I called on Mr. Hlungu and Mr. Jolobe, and read to them the message from their Presbytery regarding the course of study for the students, as long unanswered. I was laid under a great obligation to the students, and their parents, and the Presbytery, to give them a real effort to profit by these criticisms as well as by the criticisms of the students, when you are accepted by the Theological Students Committee, with recommendations of the classes, still a year to go, and Mr. Hlungu and Mr. Jolobe with the aid of Mr. Mungilewa, during 1923. This being so, would it be possible to send the names of Messrs. Gilbert Nzotyana and Mr. Mungilewa to the Foreign Mission Committee at Fort Hare, so that they may be sent home till I hear again from you, and in the meantime, in the matter, I think it would be well to send the names home about this time next year.

Heretofore the course has been four years, namely one year of a Preparatory Arts Course, and three years of theology proper. That is what the present class are taking. The transference of the class to Fort Hare has disclosed that we can benefit by the ordinary College classes. Thus the present students are taking along with their theological work, the classes that will enable them to take the College Baccalaureate Diploma. Their general education is being advanced at the same time that they are taking their special studies. Before Mr. Kerr left for Scotland and America, I discussed the situation with him, and our feeling was that by taking advantage of the College classes, the course for theological students can be shortened and intensified. Instead of what we have done for some time at Lovedale, namely give one year to a Preparatory discipline and three years to theology, we could quite easily now combine both courses right through the students' time at Fort Hare, and the general advance in education will be much greater than was possible with the facilities we had at Lovedale. I feel there are very strong reasons for making the course three years instead of four. Half of my present class are married men. Four years' absence from their families is a great deal to expect. I have made no public announcement till I have had an opportunity of discussing the proposal with the Theological Students' Committee at the Synod in July. I shall write you further immediately thereafter. All this has a bearing on the course to be followed by the two new students you mention. Under old conditions, they would have entered in 1923 for their Preparatory Year, and begun Theology in 1924. If the new proposal is adopted, they will come in in 1924 for three years.

With kind regards,

J. A. Davidson



23th July 1922.

30th May 1922.

Rev. Mr. Jabez Mboniswa,
c/o A. A. Harrison, Esq.,
Bawa Station,
Mr. Stephen Hec... BUTTERWORTH.

Dear Mr. Mrs. S. Rob...
22, Levinia Street,
Dear Sir, PORT ELIZABETH.

I regret that your letters have remained so long unanswered. I was laid aside for about a month with illness, and since my return to duty, I have been busy working off arrears of correspondence that accumulated.

There should be no difficulty in getting an Andrew Smith bursary, when you are accepted by the Theological Students Committee, with recommendation by your Presbytery.

The fees paid at present by theological students are 10/- of entrance fee and £19.10.0 per annum.

Some new proposals for the theological class will be brought before the forthcoming Synod in July. If these are accepted, I shall write you again as soon as the Synod is over.

Yours sincerely,

The most important thing for a student not from one of the United Free Church missions is to be accepted as a Theological Student by the Theological Society. He is individually responsible. On the other hand there is the question of the next theological class which will be formed at the beginning of 1924. The next theological class will be formed at the beginning of 1924. The next theological class will be formed at the beginning of 1924.

If this proposal is rejected, the new class would start in February 1924. If rejected, the new class would start in February 1924.

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29th July 1922.

2nd June 1922.

Rev. J. A. Matthews, M.A.,
Rev. M. J. C. Matheson,
Gordon Memorial Mission,

Mr. Stephen Hosmer,
Dear Mr & Mrs. S. Roberts,
22, Lavinia Street,
PORT ELIZABETH.

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS' EXAMINATION-JUNE.

I shall be in a better position to answer your letter about Christopher Kumale and your other theological students after the meeting of Synod.

Dear Sir,
Some time ago I received from Dr. Henderson a letter you had sent to him on the subject of theological training at Lovedale. I been regret that this has so long been unanswered by me. It reached me when I was laid aside from work with illness, and hence the delay. College classes are taking

The theological training that used to be given at Lovedale was transferred last year to this College. I enclose a syllabus of the theological course. Except for the change of place, and some minor changes, the regulations still hold. I do more and better work in three years at Port Hare than was possible in four years at Lovedale.

The most important thing for a student not from one of the United Free Church missions is that in coming here he must have been accepted as a Theological Student by the Church or Society to which he is individually responsible. done without any sacrifice of efficiency. On the other hand there is the benefit to be derived of the present separation from their families for four years, and the question of their support during that time is a big consideration.

The next theological class here will be formed at the beginning of 1924.

If this proposal is received, the new class would start in February 1924. If rejected, the new students would require to come in for their Preparatory Year at the beginning of 1923.

There is a further question, which I am unwilling to raise, but I recognise that it may have to be raised, irrespective of one's personal feeling on the matter. It is whether we should continue to form a new class only on the completion of a preceding one, or should take in students at the beginning of any year, and let them drop into what is being done. The latter course will make it much more difficult, and will make a class of mixed attainment, and possibly lower the general level. On the other hand, it is hard for men to have to wait one or two years, and if we took them in from year to year, they would complete their course in the same way, and it might be easier for the mission to absorb one or two students a year, rather than a batch of six or more at one time. I would be glad to have your views on these matters, and of course this letter is for the other Natal men as well as for yourself.

I shall delay putting in an application for a Browlee bursary for Kumale till after the Synod. I think we should be able to give one Andrew Smith bursary for a Natal student.

Yours sincerely,

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29th July 1922.

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Rev. J. A. Davidson, M.A.,

Rev. M. J. C. Matheson,
Gordon Memorial Mission,

Dear Mr. Davidson, UMSINGA.

Dear Mr. Matheson,

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS' EXAMINATION-JUNE.

I shall be in a better position to answer your letter about Christopher Kumalo and your other theological student after the meeting of Synod.

The position is this. Up till now the course has been four years, of which one was a Preparatory Arts Year, and the other three for Theology. The transference of the class to Fort Hare has opened up a new possibility. The men in the present class are taking College classes in addition to their theology, and hope to take the College Matriculation Diploma before they finish at the end of next year. There is a tremendous advantage in having their general education carried forward as well as their special training. From the experience of last year and this, I am sure the theologues will do more and better work in three years at Fort Hare than was possible in four years with the facilities we had at Lovedale. I am therefore going to bring forward at the coming Synod that the course should be three years instead of four. I have discussed this with Mr. Kerr and also with Dr. Henderson, and we all are satisfied that this can be done without any sacrifice of efficiency. On the other hand there is the benefit to the students. Three of the present six students are married men. Separation from their families for four years, and the question of their support during that time is a big consideration.

If this proposal is received, the new class would start in February 1924. If rejected, the new students would require to come in for their Preparatory Year at the beginning of 1923.

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Yours sincerely,




29th July 1922.

7th September, 1922.

Rev^d J. A. Davidson, M.A.,

Teakong, MI. FLETCHER.

Dear Mr. Davidson,

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS' EXAMINATION-JUNE.

I enclose the marks received by the Theological Students at the part of their Exat Examination held last month.

At the Synod last week, considerable time was taken in considering the best arrangements for the next class of students. These depend to some extent on what the College here can provide in the way of Arts training. Frim. Kerr returned from Scotland to-day, and I have discussed this evening the possibilities for our next batch of students. As soon as we can hold a Senatus meeting, I shall be in a position to make a definite announcement.

The present class took a Preparatory year of Arts subjects in the College, and then we found that by calling on them for a big effort, we could give them collateral courses of Theology and Arts, and we hope that some at least of them will take the College Matriculation certificate as well as their Theology certificate before they leave the College. This advance of their general education alongside of their special training is of special importance at a time when Native education is making strides, and the Native minister should be able to hold his own with the best educated men of his own race.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature



7th September, 1928

Mr. Anthony Kumalo,
1st Class B.A.,
SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY,
KIMBERLEY EAST.

Dear Sir, In view of the meeting of the Theological Students' Committee yesterday. B.A. LONDON begins at the opening of next College session and is for four years. Please let us know as soon as possible whether you are prepared to accept of the offer of a bursary for demerit, accompanied by a new theological class is being formed to come into College at the beginning of next year. It is in finding a student to fill the place of the student of the present class still in this connection, the Rev. Mr. J. C. Matheson of the Synod of the Free Church of Scotland, Glasgow, who is sending one or two students from the Free Church of Scotland to you an application for a bursary for Christopher Kumalo. He says of him: "I can heartily recommend him as a candidate for the ministry and also for a bursary."

Committee since 1926, we are of course prepared to consider for the training of the student. Hoping you may be able to consider this application favourably, and with kind regards,

Yours sincerely,
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If you are able to write to the Principal of the College, Kimberley, with the details of the offer, and if you are able to modify the offer in any way, please let us know.



7th September, 1922.

Dear Matheson,

We had a meeting of the Theological Students' Committee yesterday. The new class begins at the opening of next College session, and is for four years. Please let me know as soon as possible whether you are sending one man or two. We are pressed for dormitory accommodation and require to know how many we have to find places for.

We are going to have difficulty in 1923 in finding Andrew Smith bursaries for the theologians as we have the present class still with us till the end of 1923. I enclose a copy of a letter I am sending to Mr. Meyer on account of Musala. Could you not finance Musala and your escaped man from Natal funds? College expenses and books run to about £25 a year, apart from travelling, etc.

As regards F. M. Committee minute 5736, we are of course prepared to cooperate in arrangements for the training of the students. The Committee is a committee of the Synod, and it seems best to wait till the new Church is established. New committees will then be formed, and Natal will be represented on the Theol. Students' one. In the meantime we can do all that is necessary by correspondence. How will this do?

If you are coming here next year, you should also write to the Principal of the College about fees, accommodations, etc. with the teaching of the students and their general education. I enclose a list of possible modifications as a result of the fact that the class having been transferred to Fort Hare, the main line of the project will hold good. Our neighbours have more permanent conditions to bring, we are not ready to enter to a decision on this point, but we will be glad to see if it can be settled. Meaning of your student on the same conditions as our own.

Yours sincerely,
James

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7th September, 1922.

Mr. Nathaniel Kumalo,
Glen Avon,
SOMERSET EAST.

9th September, 1922.

Dear Sirs Central Congregational Church,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant. The new class of theological students will be formed at the beginning of the next College year in February.

I note that you are asking for the class to be formed at the present time. I am sorry that Mr. Dewell will be writing about this. We will be writing being glad we receive into the class only such students as give us proof that they have been accepted as theological students by the students into our church. Kindly arrange that the certificate that you have been so accepted is sent to me by the minister in charge of this work.

It will be glad to receive Mr. Kumalo into the class with a B. If you are coming here next year, you should also write to the Principal of the College, so that he may arrange about fees, accommodation, etc. You will understand that I take to do only with the teaching of the theological students.

I enclose a copy of a pamphlet. Some points have to be modified as a result of the B.A. class having been transferred to Fort Hare. The main lines of the pamphlet still hold good. As our neighbours have more permanent facilities in being, we are not ready to come to a decision on this. It may be some time before it can be settled. Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,

N. Dewell

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

N. Dewell



9th September 1922.
9th September, 1922.

Mr. Samuel M. Nyitake,
Sveas-Mines,

Rev. G. Crawford Stanley, M.C.,

The Central Congregational Church,
Dear Sir,

Bree Street, JOHANNESBURG.

Dear Mr. Stanley,

I thank you for your letter of the 7th instant. I note that Mr. N. Kumalo may be coming in for the class to be formed at the opening of next session, and that Mr. Newell will be writing about him. I am glad that this mode of dealing with applicants is being followed. It will be satisfactory both to you and to us that we follow a definite plan. May I take it that Mr. Newell is the correspondent through whom all applications for acceptance of your students into our theological class will come? I would suggest also that it be understood that annual reports on the students and other correspondence about them should be sent by us to ~~xxxxxx~~ whoever is your correspondent for the time being.

We shall be glad to receive Mr. Kumalo into the class. Ours is a four-years' course, and the first year is mainly taken up with Arts' subjects, for which the students attend College classes under the College lecturers. With the present class we also have arranged that in the three years when they are taking theology, they also attend College classes, and as a result of this, one student already has taken the College Matriculation certificate, and some of the other members of the class will certainly be able to do so before they complete their course. The advantage in the matter of their general education and to their future standing among the educated men of their own race is obvious.

We have not come to any decision about an additional fee for lodging. We are busy with plans for the erection of the first portion of our own Hostel, and till we and our other Hostel neighbours have more permanent conditions in being, we are not ready to come to a decision on this question. It may be some time before it can be settled. Meantime we shall accept your student on the same conditions as our own.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



10th Baptist Church, 1922.
9th September, 1922.

Mt. Samuel - Mt. Myatana,
Crown-Mines,
Box 104,
JOHANNESBURG.

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS: ANDREW SMITH BURSARIES.

Dear Sir, Henderson,

Following on our discussion in Committee last Wednesday, I now set down the prospects of the next year's class - asking about training as an evangelist. I regret to reply that we shall have in residence both the out-going and the incoming theological students for the ministry. We expect six, possibly seven, new men to come from the ... and that we shall then be prepared to receive the ...

- Yours faithfully,
1. J. J. ...
 2. Josiah ...
 3. ...
 4. Wilson S. Ndibongo,
 5. Gilbert Ngotyana,
 6. Christopher Kumbie,
 7. ...
- Mission Council of Natal.

I am not setting down here those students who will go in for the class from other churches.

We shall have an unusually large number for whom to try to find bursaries in 1923. By 1924 the situation will be relieved (1) by the out-going of the present four bursaries; and (2) by the releasing of the two Ilgo Soga bursaries held just now by L. Jolobe and G. Mlungu, which in 1924 will be available for the two new students coming from the Presbytery of Kaffraria.

I ask you therefore to be good enough to submit to the Andrew Smith Trustees that in 1923 there be set aside bursaries of £25 each for six new men in addition to the four at present running, and that for 1924 there be four bursaries set-aside for the theological students.

Yours sincerely,

J. Henderson



Rev. T. F. Soga
Secretary

19th September, 1922.

Rev. Dr. Henderson,
LOVEDALE.

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS: ANDREW SMITH BURSARIES.

Rev. Dr. Maimba,

Dear Dr. Henderson,

Following on our discussion in Committee last Wednesday, I now set down the prospects of the next year's theological class. The present set of men will finish at the end of 1923. Four of them, Messrs. Ngweni, Letsoale, Miza and Sikutshwa, have Andrew Smith bursaries. The new class will begin next February. During 1923 we shall have in residence both the out-going and the in-coming class. That the new class of theological students will be formed when the limited to two. We expect six, possibly seven, new men to come from College. We expect six, possibly seven, new men to come from College. We expect six, possibly seven, new men to come from College.

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- 5. Gilbert Ngotyana, do.
- 6. Christopher Kumalo, Mission Council of Natal.
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Yours sincerely,

J. G. ...



Rev. T. B. Soga,
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 BUTTERWORTH.

11th Sept. 1922.
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Rev. J. ...
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Dear Mr. Soga,
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Mr. Coventry spoke to me about Elliot Pezisa. As he only
 now is finishing his 13 Junior, he has not fulfilled the conditions
 for acceptance as a theological student, and of course we should receive
 his name through the Presbytery. So I am noting his name for the future.

Yours sincerely,

J. ...



Rev. T. B. Soga,
Tutura,
BUTTERWORTH.

11th Sept. 1923.

13th September, 1923

Rev. J. Harper,
Inverleith Terrace,
Dear Mr. Soga, LONDON.

Dear Mr. Harper, The new theological class will be formed in February when the College opens, and we shall then expect Messrs. Ndibongo and

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Yours sincerely,
I trust you will have had no objection as to the building, that is to say, that it is to be met by the college, so that we say to the college here.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

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Yours sincerely,



11th September, 1922.
13th September, 1922

Rev. J. Harper,
12, Overleith Terrace,
EAST LONDON,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Harper,

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: FORT HARE.

CHRISTOPHER KUMALO: APPLICATION FOR BROWNLEE BURSARY

Thank you for your letter of the 9th instant. Though there are applications from two Kumalos, there is no connection between the two. It is merely a coincidence. Christopher Kumalo from Natal comes with the recommendation of the Mission Council of Natal in addition to the recommendation of his minister, and all we know of him is good.

I have heard from Nathaniel Kumalo and also from Rev. G. Crawford Stanley about him. He also will come forward with the recommendation of the Congregational Union.

I am glad therefore to reply that both applications are in order.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

I may have to cable to you about the proposals I have now outlined, and, if so, this letter will serve to inform you of the direction in which our aims are working.

As we shall immediately be having outlay on building, I trust you will send out the money now voted for the Hostel building, that is to say such portion as is not to be met by Love-ale, so that we may be able to open an account here.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,



14th September, 1922.

13th September, 1922

Rev. W. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
3 G 1 EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,
Dear Sir,

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: FORT HARE.

I duly received the F. M. Committee minute sanctioning an expenditure of £25000 on the Presbyterian Hostel building, and thank the Home Church for this fresh instance of their interest in the work here. Since this news was received we have had a meeting of the Hostel Committee and a good deal of preparatory work has been undertaken. We have agreed to adhere to the general plan that was sent Home, and to build such portion of it as the funds now available will permit. The architect from Cape Town will be here in a few days. I'll forward your name in view of the

I have had a good deal of discussion with Principal Kerr on the approach to the Presbyterian Church of South Africa to invite their assistance. Mr. Kerr has left this morning to attend their General Assembly at Bloemfontein. He is going to propose to them that they undertake to provide for, say, ten years an annual sum which would provide the interest on capital to be borrowed for building. For instance if the General Assembly would guarantee £250 a year, this would enable £25,000 to be borrowed at 5%. If the Assembly accepts this proposal, we trust that the F.M. Committee will help us to find the money at a favourable rate of interest. Ten years should enable us to gather the capital sum so that at the end of that time it could be paid off. Mr. Kerr is going to propose in the event of the Assembly agreeing to his proposal that the United Free Church be asked to allow the Presbyterian Church of South Africa to appoint the second member on the Governing Council of the College to which our Church is entitled. This would be a matter of arrangement between the two churches, and it would help to maintain the close interest of the S. A. Presbyterian Church. We cannot of course speak for the F. M. Committee in this proposal, but I think it is one that might commend itself to the F.M. Committee.

I may have to cable to you about the proposals I have now outlined, and, if so, this letter will serve to inform you of the direction in which our minds are working.

As we shall immediately be having outlay on building, I trust you will send out the money now voted for the Hostel building, that is to say such portion as is not to be met by Lovedale, so that we may be able to open an account here.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. Kerr



14th September, 1922.

Mr. W. P. Meiges,

15th September 1922

U G I E .

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 11th instant. You speak of thinking of coming for the theological class next September, and you write as if I knew already of this intention. As far as I can recollect, I have had no communication from you previously in the subject. If you are thinking of presenting yourself for training as a theological student, your course is to have your name presented by your minister to your Presbytery. If they are satisfied they will forward your name to the Theological Students Committee of the Synod, who will consider the application in view of the evidence submitted to them as to suitability of character, and ability for such training, and the educational qualifications and experience of the applicant. Such evidence should already be in my hands as Secretary of that Committee. Arrangements for the new class which will begin next February are well advanced. All intending students must join the class in February. New students will not be received after that date.

I enclose a copy of a pamphlet giving information to intending theological students. It has to be modified in certain particulars as the subjects now held at Fort Hare in stead of at Lovedale, but in its main lines it is still correct.

As to the loan of £7 which you ask for, I am sorry that I cannot see my way to advance this money.

Yours sincerely,

J. Curran



15th-September 1922

Rev. F. Ananoff, M.A.,
Rev. W. W. ...
... Market Street,
Dear Mr. Ananoff, ...

TIM HOGA BURBANKER,

Dear Mr. Gavin,

THEOLOGICAL CLASS: APPLICATION BY ISAAK NGCOZA.

S. A. ... COLLEGE ...

... application from Isaac Ngcoza which has been sent ... Ngcoza has been advised that all ... the Theological Class must have their ... to their Presbytery and so to the Theological ... Committee.
... presenting himself this year for the T3 Junior examination ... and if other requirements as in ... for the ministry are satisfactory ... the question whether the Theol. Stud. Committee would be justified in accepting three years' teaching between his ... the conditions laid down by the ... in exceptional circumstances ... it would depend largely on the reports received about his applicant's character and work whether the Committee would ... these years of service any things ... were the sum at our ... possibly eight, accepted candidates for the incoming class. In accepting candidates we have to bear in mind the capacity of the mission to absorb the men we train. If we have six going out in Dec. 1922 and seven or eight finishing in Dec. 1923, that may be as many as the mission can take up. Another consideration is that we have already called as heavily on the Andrew Smith bursary fund for the incoming class as we can, and I see no likelihood of our securing any more bursaries for additional members of the class.

I think you know to intimate to Messrs Hongo and Kokozel to be ready to join the new class at the opening of the College session in February 1923. I have not yet received a minute about them from the ... Please make certain that I get this so that their papers may be in order.

Kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

J. Linn

Kindly return Ngcoza's letter.



19th 24th September, 1922.

Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
No 222, George Street,
Westminster, London,
Longmarket Street,
Dear Mr. Ashcroft, CARD 1008.

TWO SOGA BURNARIES.

Dear Sirs,

S. A. NATIVE COLLEGE: PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL. only two

burnaries of 225 per cent.
The Soga burnaries received your reply to my telegram. I am not
sure certain that Mr. Ashcroft will be able to get a train from Cape Town
to Johannesburg via Durban and Swaziland. I will have to be there in 1923.
The Presbyterian of Durban has the settlement of the Soga burnaries.
William H. H. H. and Gilbert H. H. H. will bring you
the Soga burnaries and the Soga burnaries of the Soga burnaries that time.

There is a passenger train that arrives from Cookhouse at Alice
on Monday at noon and departs for Durban at 1.30 p.m. The train
beginning at Alice, Durban, the Soga burnaries, the Soga burnaries, the Soga burnaries,
going to the Soga burnaries, must carry an Soga burnaries and Soga burnaries at
Durban till the end of 1923. Can the Soga burnaries be Soga burnaries on
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that we would like to have and would put in were the sum at our
disposal larger. Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature: J. H. H. H.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,





18th September, 1922.

Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: FORT HARE.

TIYO SOGA BURSARIES.

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

Does the Tiyo Soga bursary fund allow of only two bursaries of £25 per annum? At present the bursaries are held by Messrs. Jolobe and George Nkungu, and their course will finish in December 1923. The Presbytery of Kaffraria has recommended as new students Messrs. Wilson Ndibongo and Gilbert Ngotyana, and the application for these new recommendations is supported by the Mission Council.

We are bringing in the men for the new class at the beginning of 1923. During that year we shall thus have both the outgoing and the in-coming class. We must carry on Jolobe and Nkungu as bursars till the end of 1923. Can the fund also help us by taking on the two new men in that same year? It will be only for the one year that we shall have the four men in College at the same time. It will be a great help if the fund can carry the four for the one year.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature: A. S. M. M. M.

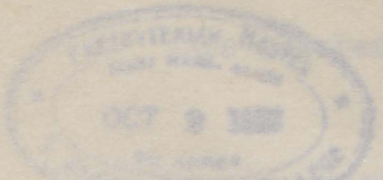
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With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature: A. S. M. M. M.





15th September, 1922, Oct. 1922

Rev. T. B. Segs,
Tutura,
BUTTERWORTH.

Dear Mr. Segs,

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

I have written to Mr. Ashcroft to see whether the Tiyo Segs bursary fund can carry more than two bursaries for the one year 1923 when we shall have both the out-going and in-coming class of students.

There is no provision at Fort Hare for the families of married students. This limitation applies equally to the Wesleyan students with our own.

REPAIRS TO THE TUTURA MANSE.

I have had no word from the Committee charged with the repairs of the manse at Tutura. The matter at this stage is in their hands. I wrote Mr. Godfrey saying that you had mentioned the matter, and that any recommendations should come forward through the Committee specially charged with the business.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature

"Linnex, Alice," is correct address.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature



Fort Hare, ALICE,

Oct, 1922.



Rev. J. Henderson, D.D.

LOVEDALE.

26th September, 1922

Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
Rev. 121, George Street,
an EDINBURGH, S.A.

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: S.A. NATIVE COLLEGE

Members of the Hostel Committee.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,
Dear Sirs,

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: FORT HARE.

Since we have pleasure in sending you a letter received from Principal Kerr, giving the resolutions of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of South Africa on our Hostel question. We are indebted to him for his personal interest in this matter. The plan he suggested presented the only way that was feasible to secure the help of the Pres. Church of S. Africa at the present time. Already at this recent Assembly they had agreed to a forward movement in their own mission sphere, and that in spite of a deficit in their latest financial year, &c. for an indefinite number of years, the interest on £2,500 at 5%, the rate at which the Foreign Mission Committee will accept their help now offered to us and on the conditions proposed, and also that we may look to you to find the additional capital for which the Pres. Church of South Africa will find the yearly interest. Virtually therefore the S. A. Church The proposal is based on the hope that capital can be found at 5%, and we believe you are more likely to find capital at a moderate rate of interest than we would be in this country. £125 at a 5% rate would enable £25,000 to be borrowed. If you can borrow at a lower rate of interest, so much the better. Indeed if you can borrow at 4%, thus securing £3,150, this with the £500 lent to the South African Native College and earmarked as the first instalment of the money for building the Warden's house, would go far to build the part of the Hostel now under discussion, and also the Warden's house. The architect, Mr. Forsyth, from Cape Town is with us at the present moment. We are basing our operations on a sum of £7,500, of which £2,000 is from the For. Miss. Committee and £2,500 from the plan now submitted from the Pres. Church of S. Africa. We are altering the plan slightly to increase the dormitory accommodation, without adding to the extent of the building at the cost of the Hostel, the Pres. Ch. of S. Africa have refrained from cabling these proposals in order that it might be possible to put them before you fully. It will facilitate the work if you will kindly cable your decision.

"Lennex, Alice," is sufficient address.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

J. Lennex



Fort Hare, ALICE,

October, 1922.

Rev. J. Henderson, D.D.,

LOVEDALE.



Dear Mr. Henderson,
 Revs. J. W. Stirling,
 and J. M. Soga,

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: S.A. NATIVE COLLEGE

Members of the Hostel Committee.

Dear Sirs,

I enclose for your information a copy of a letter

Since word was received that the F. M. Committee sanctioned the expenditure of £5,000 on the Hostel, Mr. Kerr has attended the General Assembly of the Pres. Church of S. Africa. It was hopeless in view of the commitments of the Church for its own mission work to expect it to be able to contribute any large capital sum for the hostel. Mr. Kerr suggested that the Pres. Ch. of S. Africa should undertake to contribute a sum annually which should be regarded as interest on a capital sum to be borrowed. This scheme was accepted by the Assembly and it promised £125 p.a. for an indefinite number of years, the interest on £2,500 at 5%, the rate at which it is hoped that the U.F.C. may be able to borrow the capital. The S. African church also hopes that it may be able to raise more than £125 p.a., and anything above the interest will be set aside annually as against repayment of the capital. Virtually therefore the S. A. Church has undertaken to pay not only the annual interest but also the capital. I say "virtually" because its definite promise extends only to the capital, but at the same time there was the firm expectation on the part of the Business Committee that the capital itself would also be cleared off.

Mr. Forsyth, of Messrs. Parker and Forsyth, Architects, Cape Town, was here last Monday to Wednesday, and we discussed plans on the basis of having £7,500 to spend. He thinks that with this amount we should be able to get the front and one side of the hollow square of the Hostel. He has returned to Cape Town to work up the result of his experience and the discussions here, and as soon as that is done, tenders will be asked for from Lovedale. Mr. Forsyth is taking means to check the Lovedale tender to be submitted, so as to ensure that we get as good value as possible.

I shall keep you informed of the progress of events.

In virtue of the interest now taken in the Hostel, the Pres. Ch. of S. Africa has appointed Revs. J. Patterson and J. S. Lister to be their representatives on the Hostel Committee.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Henderson".



Fort Hare, ALICE,

23rd October, 1922.

Rev. J. Henderson, D.D.,

LOVEDALE.

Dear Dr. Henderson,

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: S.A. NATIVE COLLEGE

I enclose for your information a copy of a letter I have received from Messrs. Parker & Forsyth with the amended plans for the portion of the Hostel which we hope to be able to build just now.

In your absence I have handed the plans and the original and addenda schedules of quantities to Mr. Terris, so that he and Mr. Gibb may give a price for the work.

Yours sincerely,
I am sorry that all available bursaries for the incoming class have already been allocated. The Governing Council of the College at a meeting this week will be considering the question of College Fees. This will affect theological students also, and I shall write again as soon as the new arrangements are known.

If there is further information that you require, I shall be glad to supply it.

Yours sincerely,

Hennox

Hennox



5th November, 1922.

Rev. T. E. Soga,

6th November, 1922

Rev. H. E. Tills, B.A.,
The Vicar,
27, St. David's Street,
NATIKOMBEAD.

MEMORANDUM BY JULIUS MBULAWA: THEOLOGICAL CLASS.

Dear Sir,
I enclose a letter I have received from Mr. Julius
Principal Kerr has handed me your letter (undated) making
enquiries about theological training for two native men belonging to
your district. I am sending these on to the
Clerk of the Presbytery of Kaffraria, Rev. T. E. Soga, so that your
applicants may be trained at the
South African Native College instead of at Lovedale as formerly, but
otherwise the information contained in the accompanying pamphlet in
the main holds good.

A new class will be formed when the College re-assembles on
19th February next. If either or both of the men you write about
wishes to join this class, it will be a favour if you will let me know
as soon as possible, as our accommodation is limited till our own
Hostel building is erected.

I am sorry that all available bursaries for the in-coming
class have already been allocated. The Governing Council of the
College at a meeting this week will be considering the question of
College fees. This will affect theological students also, and I
shall write again as soon as the new arrangements are known.

If there is further information that you require, I shall
be glad to supply it.

Yours sincerely,
Mr. Mbulawa's letter of recommendation of 31st Oct.
Copy of my reply to Mr. Mbulawa
Stennox



6th November, 1922.

Rev. T. B. Soga,
 Mr. Julius Mbulawa,
 R. Brunwell Park,
 P. O. Belfort,
 Natal.

6th November, 1922.

APPLICATION BY JULIUS MBULAWA: THEOLOGICAL CLASS.

Dear Sir, I enclose a letter I have received from Mr. Julius Mbulawa, so that this application may come in regular form through a Presbytery, and I enclose a copy of the acknowledgement I have received your letter of the 1st instant, and Rev. Pall Ramseyer's letter of recommendation. I am sending these on to the Clerk of the Presbytery of Kaffraria, Rev. T. B. Soga, so that your application may be brought up in the regular way through a Presbytery.

I shall ask Mr. Soga to communicate with you in the matter. I shall take in new students at that time, but shall not accept any in 1924.

Yours sincerely,

(b) Our available accommodation for next year is already more than full.

(c) All available places for the in-coming students have already been allocated.

With kind regards,
 Yours sincerely,

Enclosures:

Mr. Mbulawa's letter of 1st Nov. 1922.
 Mr. Ramseyer's letter of recommendation of 31st Oct.
 Copy of my reply to Mr. Mbulawa.



6th November, 1922.

Rev. T. B. Soga,
Tatura,
SOUTHERN DISTRICTS.

6th November, 1922.

Dear Mr. Soga:

APPLICATION BY JULIUS MBULAWA: THEOLOGICAL CLASS.

I enclose a letter I have received from Mr. Julius Mbulawa, so that this application may come in regular form through a Presbytery, and I enclose a copy of the acknowledgement I have sent to him. It is unfortunate that this application did not come three weeks ago to be in time for consideration at your Presbytery. In considering it, the following points may bear on your Presbytery's decision:

(a) The new class opens on 19th February next. We shall take in new students at that time, but shall not accept any in 1924.

(b) Our available accommodation for next year is already more than full.

(c) All available bursaries for the in-coming students have already been allocated.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,
D. Ramsay

Enclosures:

Mr. Mbulawa's letter of 1st Nov. 1922.
Mr. Ramsay's letter of recommendation of 31st Oct.
Copy of my reply to Mr. Mbulawa.



*Chair of Soga
for the year
1923/24
has a list of students
to be supported
in the year
1923/24
including
the names of
the students
to be supported
in the year
1923/24*

6th November, 1922.

Rev. T. B. Soga,
Tutors,

BUTTERWORTH, FOR THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

16th November, 1922.

Dear Mr. Soga, heretofore, K.A.,
121, George Street, **TIYO SOGA BURSARIES.**
EDINBURGH.

I have a reply from Rev. F. Ashcroft that the Tiyo Soga bursary fund admits of supporting only two students each year. We shall have this amount in 1923 for Messrs. Jolobe and Nkungu. During that year I am arranging with the A. Smith Trustees for a special grant of £50 to allow of £25 being paid in 1923 to Wilsonimo Ndibongo and Gilbert Ngotyana. In 1924 when Jolobe and Nkungu will have left College, Ndibongo and Ngotyana will come on the Tiyo Soga Fund. You might please intimate these arrangements to the two new students. The students as may best may appear necessary next session their Arts Courses will be £22 and Fourth year, the inclusive fee will be £22.

Yours sincerely,
Yours sincerely,

The fees are payable quarterly in advance.
The College opens on Friday 16th February, 1923, and all students are required to arrive on that day.

people of here... that the general student... of an satisfactory.

This letter was... afternoon... and the Committee agreed to accept these terms... It now ask you to be good enough to prepare the contract, and all other matters necessary for the immediate undertaking of the work.

In view of many... whether you... and the... of Mr. Ashcroft... London... we offer this suggestion of course... we are providing... capital...

Yours sincerely,



*Chairman of the Board
for the year 1922-23
has a list of names
for the year 1922-23
including the names of
the students who are
to be admitted to the
College in the year 1922-23.*

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J. A. Davidson

18th November, 1922.
22nd November, 1922.
16th November, 1922.

COLLEGE FEES FOR THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

The Governing Council of the College at a meeting last week decided that the fee for students attending the South African Native College will from 1923 be £30 per annum, including Tuition, including Laundry, Medical Attendance, etc., £3.10. 0; Subscription to College Societies, 5/-; Share of many thanks for your letter of the 23rd ultimo.

I enclose with draft for £25 from the Tiyo Soga Bursary Fund. I shall use

In the case of students as may best may appear necessary next session. the inclusive fee during 1923 when they will be occupied mainly with their Arts Course will be £25. In with kind regards, the inclusive fee will be £22.

Yours sincerely,

The fees are payable quarterly in advance.

The College opens on Friday 16th February, 1923, and all students are required to arrive on that day.

Yours faithfully,

JAMES HENDERSON.

This letter came before a meeting of our Hostel Committee this afternoon, and the Committee agreed to accept these terms.

We now ask you to be good enough to prepare the contract, and all other matters necessary for the immediate undertaking of the work.

In this connection we shall be glad to receive at your convenience the Lay-Out plan.

In order to keep down expense where possible, the Committee ask whether you think it possible to employ as Clerk of Works an architect nearer than Cape Town, and the name of Mr. Cordoux of East London was suggested. We offer this suggestion of course entirely subject to your official approval. We consider it essential that the interests of the Churches who are providing the capital for the building should be safeguarded by competent oversight.

As regards time, it is perhaps unwise to bind Lovedale in any formal way, but the Committee think it reasonable to say that they think the building should be completed in one year from this date.

Yours sincerely,



Chairman of the Board
for the year 1922-23
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Rev. J. B. ...
 Rev. ...

22nd November, 1922.
 18th November, 1922.
 22nd November, 1922.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
COLLEGE FEES FOR THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

Dear Sir,
 Dear Sirs,

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL BUILDING CONTRACT.
- PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL, S. A. NATIVE COLLEGE.

The Governing Council of the College at a meeting last week decided that the fee for students attending the South African Native College will from 1923 be £30 per annum, including Board, £16; Hostel Fee, including Laundry, Medical Attendance, etc., £5.10. 0; Subscription to College Societies, 5/-; Share of Administration Expenses, 5/-; and Tuition, £10.

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS.

In the case of Theological Students entering the College in 1923, the inclusive fee during 1923 when they will be occupied mainly with their Arts Course will be £25. In their second, third and fourth years, the inclusive fee will be £22.

The fees are payable quarterly in advance.

The College opens on Friday 16th February, 1923, and all students are required to arrive on that day.

The Committee was informed that the Architect had seen a sample of Lovedale's work in the Gilbert Library, and it is understood that the general standard there and in the Stewards Hall would be accepted as satisfactory.

J. ...

This letter was ... this afternoon, and the committee agreed to accept these terms.

We now ask you to be good enough to prepare the contract, and all other matters necessary for the Lovedale authorities of the work.

THEOLOGICAL TUTOR.

In this connection we shall ... at your convenience the Lay-Out plan.

In order to keep the ... the Committee ask whether you think it possible to employ as Clerk of Works an architect nearer than Cape Town, and the name of Mr. ... of East London was suggested. It offers this suggestion of course entirely subject to your cordial approval. It is essential that the interests of the Church and the ... the capital for the building should be safeguarded by competent ...

As regards time, it is ... Lovedale in any formal way, but the Committee think it reasonable to say that they think the building should be completed in one year from this date.

Yours sincerely,



22nd November, 1922.

Rev. J. Henderson, B.D.,
Rev. P. BLOVE DALE.

22nd November, 1922.

Messrs. Parry & Forsyth,
Westminster House,
Dear Dr. Longmarket Street, Cape Town.
Dear Sirs,

**PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL BUILDING CONTRACT.
PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL, S. A. NATIVE COLLEGE.**

I thank you for your letter of the 21st instant.

I thank you for your letters of the 1st, 7th and 8th instant. On receipt of your letter of the 1st, we took up negotiations with Lovedale, and they sent in a revised tender of £6,463. 1. 11. This was followed up at the first meeting of the Executive Committee of the new Lovedale Governing Council, of which I may say in passing that Prince Kerr and I are members. The result was the following letter:

"Lovedale, 21st November, 1922.

Dear Mr. Lennox,

Referring to Lovedale's amended tender of £6,463, 1, 11 for the Presbyterian Hostel, the Executive Committee of the Lovedale Governing Council considered the matter at its last meeting, and agreed to reduce the figure tendered to £6,300 on the understanding that should the actual figure exceed this figure, the amount of the excess be refunded to Lovedale up to £163. 1. 11.

The Committee was informed that the Architect had seen a sample of Lovedale's work in the Cuthbert Library, and it is understood that the general standard there and in the Stewart Hall would be accepted as satisfactory.

Yours faithfully,
JAMES HENDERSON,
per J. CHALMERS."

This letter came before a meeting of our Hostel Committee this afternoon, and the Committee agreed to accept these terms.

We now ask you to be good enough to prepare the contract, and all other matters necessary for the immediate undertaking of the work.

In this connection we shall be glad to receive at your convenience the Lay-Out plan.

In order to keep down expense where possible, the Committee ask whether you think it possible to employ as Clerk of Works an architect nearer than Cape Town, and the name of Mr. Cordeaux of East London was suggested. We offer this suggestion of course entirely subject to your cordial approval. We consider it essential that the interests of the Churches who are providing the capital for the building should be safeguarded by competent oversight.

As regards time, it is perhaps unwise to bind Lovedale in any formal way, but the Committee think it reasonable to say that they think the building should be completed in one year from this date.

Yours sincerely,

J. Lennox



15th November, 1922
22nd November, 1922.

23rd November, 1922.

Rev. Dr. Henderson,
Rev. J. Henderson, D.D.,
Rev. F. MORVIE D.M.A.E.
121, George Street,
Dear Dr. Henderson, EDINBURGH.

Dear Dr. Henderson,
Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

APPLICATION BY ISAAC HODGSON THEOL. CLASS.

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL BUILDING CONTRACT.
PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: ROBE-HARE.

I thank you for your letter of the 21st instant.
Thanks for your cable intimating the sanctioning of
the Hostel Committee this afternoon, and the Committee
was received with satisfaction.

I am writing to the architects asking
The Committee on the Hostel Building agreed to
them to proceed with the contract given us a figure of £4483. 1. 11.
and at the same time we had through the architects a figure received
from a Mr. Tom. As regards the time, the Committee think it reasonable
to supply this figure for checking purposes. In giving their price of
to ask that the building be completed in one year from this date.
offer and that they were prepared to do the work for that amount.
The architects also had Mr. Yours sincerely,
the contract were thrown open, we would get the work done at a still
lower figure.

In view of this, Lovells agreed to reduce its price
to £6,300, on the understanding that if the actual cost should exceed
that figure, the amount of the excess should be refunded to Lovells
up to £168. 1. 11. The Committee accepted these terms, and I am sending
this morning to the architects to sign through the formal arrangements.

I am glad to have reached this stage, and we think
the building should be completed in a year from this date.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



25th November, 1922

25th Nov. 1922.

23rd November, 1922.

Rev. Dr. Henderson,
Lovedale, S.A.

Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Dr. Henderson,

APPLICATION BY TRUST GENERAL WORKS CLASS.

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: FORT HARE.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

reply about the application
Mr. Gordon says the
well the £2,500 loan. It arrived an hour before we met yesterday, and
the was received with satisfaction.

The Committee on the Hostel Building agreed to
accept Lovedale's tender. They had given us a figure £6463. 1.11,
and at the same time we had through the architects a figure received
from a Cape Town firm of builders whom the architects had asked to
supply this figure for checking purposes. In giving their price of
£6,300 this firm said they wished it to be regarded as a bona fide
offer and that they were prepared to do the work for that amount.
The architects also had had other enquiries, and were certain that if
the contract were thrown open, we would get the work done at a still
lower figure.

In view of this, Lovedale agreed to reduce its price
to £6,300, on the understanding that if the actual cost should exceed
that figure, the amount of the excess should be refunded to Lovedale
up to £163.1.11. The Committee accepted these terms, and I am sending
this morning to the architects to carry through the formal arrangements.

I am glad we have reached this stage, and we think
the building should be completed in a year from this date.

With kind regards,

I would have more confidence in this offer if he were
known in my own district. Perhaps Yours sincerely,
one of the good recommendations he has received from Dr. Ramsey
we should not close the door against him without some careful enquiry

J. Gordon

Will you please carry the matter further, and I should
suggest that you do not hold any hopes that might afterwards be
disappointed till the facts are more clearly known to us.

Yours sincerely,

J. Gordon



25th November, 1922

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25th Nov. 1922.

Rev. Dr. Henderson,
Fisrevale, Soga,
Tatura,
NORTH AUSTRALIA.

Dear Dr. Henderson,
Dear Mr. Soga,

APPLICATION BY ISAAC NGCOZA: THEOL. CLASS.

I should before this have let you see Mr. Gavin's reply about Ngcoza's application through for the Theological Class. Mr. Gavin states the case exactly. We have a rule which is working well, and should adhere to it. I shall be glad if you will intimate the decision to Ngcoza.

In order, the College could manage to keep a place for him. I feel sent out a circular to the in-coming theological students saying that consequent on the Governing Council's decision about the raising of the College tuition fee, the fee for the new class of theological students will be £25 in 1923 when they will be engaged mainly with subjects of their Arts Course, and in the three following years, the fee will be £22 p.a.

and, indeed, because of having in the College at the same time in 1923 both the outgoing and the in-coming classes of theological students, we are making an unusually heavy demand upon the A. Smith Bursary Fund in 1923. We do not undertake to provide bursaries for all theological students whom we accept, though we try as far as possible to do so. In this instance, when the bursaries are all taken up, can Ngcoza finance his education?

I think you might put this to him, and then, if this view is clear about his fees, you might find out if any of our own experienced missionaries really know him and can speak for him. Then the next step would be to circularise your Presbytery, and if you got a consensus or majority of opinion favouring his acceptance, his name could be formally accepted at your next Presbytery.

I would have more confidence in this case if he were known in our own missions. Perhaps we may find that he is. And in view of the good recommendation he has received from Mr. Ramseyer, we should not close the door against him without some careful enquiry.

Will you please carry the matter further, and I would suggest that you do not raise any hopes that might afterwards be disappointed till the facts are more clearly known to us.

Yours sincerely,



25th Nov. 1922.

29th Nov. 1922.

29th Nov. 1922.

Rev. T. B. Soga,

Tatura,

Messrs. P. & S. S. S. S. S.

De Witt's House,

Dear Mr. Soga,

TOWN,

Thanks for your letter of the 20th. I have sent the cheque for £1 to Lovedale, and asked them to post the receipt to you direct.

Thanks for the Day-Out which has come to hand. Mr. Ferris has seen it and taken I have been speaking to Mr. Kerr about Mbulawa, and he thinks that if other matters connected with his application were in order, the College could manage to keep a place for him. I feel a little uneasy about turning down his application without fuller consideration. The points in this case are these:

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Rumseyer



25th Nov. 1922.

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Tatura,
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J. Ramseyer



Rev. J. J. ...

... ALICE

9th December, 1922.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Westminster House,
Rev. J. J. ... Street,
CAPE TOWN.

29th Nov. 1922.
29th Nov. 1922.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Westminster House,
Rev. J. J. ... Street,
CAPE TOWN.

Dear Sirs,
In reply to your letter of 29th November, I now
enclose the contract signed between Lovdale and ourselves. We had
the contract signed to be initialed, as that is with you.

HOSTEL & WARDEN'S HOUSE.

Thanks for the Lay-Out which has come to hand. Mr. Terris
has seen it and taken out the proposed plan. It has been agreed upon
with Lovdale to erect the portion of the Hostel at present proposed
to be erected at the site of the old school, their interest priced schedule,
showing Lovdale's costs exceed that figure they be indemnified to the
amount of £283.13.11 architects' fees, £803.6.10 and other
expenses schedule on that the cost will run £262.16.37.000. That
will leave £500 which should go towards the erection
of the Warden's house. To add to the £1563.13.11 which was
advanced to the College free of interest for 10 years. As a matter
of fact this included £200 per year that the College had this money
without interest. Mr. Kerr has been awaiting your instructions, and
understands that as far as we are concerned, these figures are
modified by Dr. Henderson's letter of which you already have a copy, called
agreed to pay the work for £8,300 with a condition of indemnity up
to £10,000. This is the figure on which we definitely base the
contract. I am sure that in the future if it now ask for re-pay-
ment. I should be glad to know from Mr. Gibb advancing the view
that the surveyor's fee should be reduced by £25.0.0, the 2 1/2% on
the omission of £1563.13.11. This is a point on which you will ad-
vise us. No doubt you have enquired about this matter. Without any
experience, the point of view should think that the Surveyor has got a
done in the past. It may be however that while
the contract should be changed up with this of the work he is
actually doing and what the extra surveying work on the portion
of the plan which we have considered is our matter and not Lovdale's.

Yours sincerely,

Stewart



U.S. Native College, // // // // //

Fort Hare,

ALICE,

9th December, 1922.
9th December, 22.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Westminster House,
Rev. J. DuLangmatla Street,
CAPE TOWN.
Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
Dear Sir,
EDINBURGH.

29th Nov. 1922.

In further reply to your letter of 29th November, I now enclose the contract signed between Lovedale and ourselves. We had Dear Mr. Ashcroft, of prices to be initialled, as that is with you.

HOSTEL & WARDEN'S HOUSE.

The trenches for the foundations are being dug, and other preparatory work is already reported, a contract has been agreed upon with Lovedale to erect the portion of the Hostel at present proposed to be erected, at the cost of £6,300, with the condition that if Lovedale's costs exceed that figure they be indemnified to the amount of £185.1.11. With architects' fees, furnishing and other expenses we may reckon that the cost will run to about £7,000. That will leave £500 which should go towards the fund for the erection of the Warden's house. To this can be added the £500 which was advanced to the College free of interest for five years. As a matter of fact this is the seventh year that the College has held this money without interest. Mr. Kerr has been awaiting your instructions, and understands that the money would be required for the Warden's house. It is for the F. M. Committee to say when the College should be called upon to repay the loan. As the time for which it was to be free of interest has already been exceeded by two years, the F.M. Committee cannot be accused of any lack of generosity if it now ask for re-payment. It could be lodged at 5% here till required, and the interest earned would be useful against our own requirements.

With the £500 remaining from the present building and this £500 from the College there would be £1,000, which would go a considerable way towards the building of the Warden's house. While I am prepared to occupy rooms in the Hostel as long as this is necessary, there is no doubt that for the proper working of the Hostel, a house should be erected with as little delay as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature



S.A. Native College, ///////////////
Fort Hare,
ALICE,

9th December, 1922.
9th December, 22.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Westminster House,
Rev. J. LuLengmarkat Street,
Malan, CAPE TOWN.
IDUTYWA.

Dear Sirs,
Dear Mr. Lundie,

In further reply to your letter of 29th November, I now enclose the contract signed between Lovedale and ourselves. We had not the schedule of prices to be initialled, as that is with you. I am duly in receipt of your letter of the 27th ult. and the letter of the 10th inst.

The trenches for the foundations are now being dug, and other preparatory work is in hand. Dr. Henderson and the members of the Lovedale Finance Committee and I visited the site yesterday after the contract was signed. Dr. Henderson pressed the point that it would be desirable for Mr. Cordeaux to pay his first visit now to see the nature of the foundation. If you have opened up negotiations with Mr. Cordeaux, you could say that visits could be arranged with us, and he should give his formal report to you. As the holidays are beginning, you might let me know at once how matters stand in relation to Cordeaux, so that his first visit may be arranged before the holidays scatter us. If we could say why the site is still required, and if we could supply us with a copy of the contract for local use, and do you do the same with the schedule of quantities and prices?

As to the advertisement, Mr. A. S. Chalmers rang me up as I was beginning this letter to ask what would be required for electric lighting. I told him that it would now fall to Lovedale to engage the electrician. His object, he told me, was in case he should be asked to do this part of the work to know what you would require about ducts, etc., so that these things might be arranged with the builders. You will, of course, be dealing with these details all in due course, but I said I would mention our conversation to you. I should explain that Mr. A. S. Chalmers is a graduate of the University of Fort Hare, and is a member of the Department of Electrical Engineering. But we should settle this question first, for it would be rather a pity to protest if we do not propose to use the ground.

Yours sincerely,
[Signature]
Yours sincerely,
[Signature]



S.A. Native College, ///////////////
Fort Hare,
ALICE,

18th December, 1922.
9th December, 22.
16th January, 1923.

Rev. J. Lundie, M.A.,
Malan,
IDUTYWA.

Dear Mr. Lundie,

Erven Nos. 57 and 58, WILLOWVALE. I enclose a letter

I am duly in receipt of your letter of the 27th ult. and the letter of the Idutywa Magistrate of the 21st ult. was in it.

From these letters I gather that Erven Nos. 57 & 58, Willowvale, were reserved for a Presbyterian Church, but have not been taken up for that purpose.

Apart from the question of how these erven have now been disposed of, are they still required for a church site? As some considerable time seems to have elapsed since they were first reserved, any representations that we now might make would be strengthened if we could state that a site is still required, and if we could say why they have not already been taken up for the purpose.

As to the way in which these erven have now been advertised and disposed of, it seems unusual that a communication was not first sent to ask whether we no longer wished them reserved, before they were advertised. Any verbal statement you may have made should not be taken by the Government as disposing of a business matter of this kind. Needless to say, the question has never been before the Board of Representatives of the Trustees, your present letter being the first I have heard of the matter. We have reasonable grounds therefore for making representation to the Lands Department if a site is still required. But we should settle this question first, for it would be rather futile to protest if we do not propose to use the ground.

Yours sincerely,
[Signature]

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]



15th December, 1922.

11th January, 1923.

10th January, 1923.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Aberdeen House,
Messrs. 200, 202, Market Street,
GLASGOW.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Westminster House,
Langmarket Street,
GLASGOW.

Dear Sirs, My wire to you of this morning "delay correspondence
Cordeaux pending receipt letter Henderson", and I enclose a letter
Dear Sirs, received from Dr. Henderson. On 3th instant, we considered your
recommendation about the idea of supervising help that you best assist
us in our work. On Wednesday afternoon I found that Mr. Cordeaux was in
letter from Aberdeen preliminary chat with him. He quite under-
stands the situation, and expressed himself as ready to assist you,
Town, and I think we would settle nothing, but that he should submit to
holiday, it was only that you would advise us. I had to leave early on the
the whole situation, and I arranged that Dr. Henderson should see
arrangements by his hotel and take him to the Hotel ground. I was
that, although the matter is not in my hands, but I have arranged
such as to be satisfactory. Mr. Cordeaux himself is a man
than us, and I think it is best to have a look at it, and that if we do not
sent to you, there would be no charge for this visit, and no harm would
will be done, therefore feel we must turn in some other direction, and I
shall be writing you again in a day or two.

On my return from Grahamstown Dr. Henderson rang me up, and
able to do anything. Cordeaux looked at the bricks and said
& Forsyth. With Mr. Henderson's brick that the Dr. Henderson
come to see the bricks and discussed the matter with Terris. He
proposed to go over to Lovedale to see the Cuthbert
and Dr. Dawlow's house, but Cordeaux said this was unnecessary as he
knew the brick they could produce, and what he wanted. That, I under-
stand, was about all that happened. They came right away into an
impasse.

Yours sincerely,

It is very unfortunate that Cordeaux has taken up such an
attitude before he had had any correspondence with you. You had had
an understanding with Terris about bricks, and if, not knowing this,
another comes in and says this will not do, the situation becomes im-
possible. Happily we had come to no definite understanding with Mr.
Cordeaux, but that does not alter the fact that a very difficult
situation has arisen. What do you suggest?

Yours sincerely,

J. H. M. M.



11th January, 1923.
10th January, 1923.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Westminster House,
Langmarket Street,
Dear Sirs, GABE TOWN.

FOUNDAIION FORT HARE.

Dear Sirs, at our Committee meeting on the 9th instant, we considered your recommendations about the kind of supervising help that can best assist us in our building. I received your letter of 22nd December and also had a letter from Messrs. Cordeaux and Farrow, of which they sent a copy to you. He mentioned Mr. Tammill in connection with the new building in Gabe Town, and owing to members of the Hostel Committee being scattered for the holiday, it was only yesterday that we were able to meet. We considered the whole situation very carefully, and the expense involved in the arrangements outlined by Messrs. Cordeaux & Farrow, and it was decided that although there are obvious advantages in having skilled supervision such as Messrs. Cordeaux & Farrow could give, the expense involved is more than we feel justified in incurring on behalf of the Church. This I think will be the case therefore we must turn in some other direction, and I shall be writing you again in a day or two. I have two other letters and a plea from you, but I have not been able to send them. I am sending a courtesy copy of this letter to Messrs. Cordeaux & Farrow. Will you please convey formally to them the decision we have come to. I am writing personally to Mr. Cordeaux to thank him for the proposals he was good enough to submit.

FOUNDAIION

Yours sincerely,

J. Remond

J. Remond



11th January, 1923.

Misses. Barker & Forsyth,
Westminster House,
Langmarket Street,
CAPE TOWN.

12th January, 1923.

CAPE TOWN HOSTEL: FORT HARE.

Dear Sirs,

At our Committee meeting on the 9th instant, we considered your recommendations about the kind of supervising help that can best assist us in our present circumstances. On my return from the Hogsback where we held our meeting I phoned to Mr. Quayle of the P.W.D., King Wm's Town. He mentioned Mr. Fannahill, late of his department. He is in King Wm's Town, and is acting for Mr. White Cooper in connection with the new building for the Girls' High School there. Mr. Quayle is to see him and I myself am to be in King Wm's Town on Saturday and shall call on Mr. Fannahill. I shall also see Mr. Quayle on Monday before my return here.

This looks a hopeful opening for the assistance we want. If our conversation is promising, I shall let you know at once, and formal arrangements with Mr. Fannahill can then be made by you with him. This I think will be the best way to conduct the business.

I have two other letters and a plan from you, but I have not been able to touch these yet. I have taken up at once what was most urgent.

Yours sincerely,

FOUNDATIONS

There is the item 15, 16 and 17 in the proposed schedule, page 9, (provisional). I wish to know whether you want these put in, and their number and position. He is ready ready to put in the foundations. Please favour with an immediate reply. He tells me that the whole of the foundation is of the same nature of ground as that you saw.

Yours sincerely,

[Handwritten signature]



12th January, 1925.

South African Native College, ALICE,

12th January, 1925.

Rev. H. Godfrey, M.A.,

HOSTEL: FORT HARE.

Blythwood, several points in your recent letters still un-

answered with some of the

Dear Mr. Godfrey,

JAMES MRONINGA, INTERIORING ETHNOLOGICAL STUDENT,

The enclosed schedule are referred to in your letters. I have had the schedule filled in their original form, and I got from you a printed schedule and two copies of the addenda filled in, and you received a copy of the addenda and a copy of the original schedule and

The Ethnological Students' Committee of the University of the Transvaal. The printed schedule is for you to have a signed copy of the addenda, and the addenda can be signed. If you have any questions, you could have a copy of this letter for signature and return to you, acquaint him with the facts, and if you have any questions, you could also kindly refer to the original schedule and the addenda.

SPECIFICATION.

all yours on the 12th December you sent me a letter with the facts, and if you have any questions, you could also kindly refer to the original schedule and the addenda. (Yours of 22nd Dec.)

POSITION OF DOORS.

(Yours of 3rd Jan.). This is received for, at least three more years.

FOUNDATIONS.

(Urgent) In the priced schedule, page 7, there is the item "1 1/2" x 10" x 10" reinforcing rods to footings (provisional)." Ferris wants to know whether you want these put in, and their number and position. He is very ready to put in the foundations. Please favour with an immediate reply.

He tells me that the whole of the foundation is of the same nature of ground as that you saw.

CONVENT, THEOL. STUD. COMMITTEE.
Yours sincerely,

J. Ferris



17th January, 1923.

17th January, 1923.

South African Native College, ALICE,

12th January, 1923.

Dear Messrs. Parker & Forayth,
Architects,

Rev. R. Godfrey, M.A., TOWN-wards of Details Nos. 1 to 3, and for your
Blythswood, referring rods in the foundation.

Dear Mr. BUTTERWORTH,

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: CLERK OF WORKS.

Dear Mr. Godfrey,

JABEZ MIRONISWA, INTENDING THEOLOGICAL STUDENT,

When in King Va's Town on Monday I saw Mr. J. C. McCurdy, of
Alexandra. In receipt of your letter of the 9th instant,
giving reasons why, in your judgment, Jabez Mironiswa should not be
accepted immediately as an theological student. You probably know him. He is
well recommended for competence in his work.

The Theological Students' Committee in accepting this
student did so on a certificate of character received from the Presbytery
of the Transkei. The proper course, therefore, would seem to be for you
to bring the case before the Presbytery. If they on the evidence you
have in your possession withdraw their certificate, this acceptance by
the Theol. Stud. Committee will fall to the ground, and sending a
copy of this letter to Rev. Y. Mbali, Clerk of the Presbytery, to acquaint
him with the fact that a question of fitness has arisen. He will be
also kindly correspond with Mr. Mbali in the matter that he would have his
formal relations. Will you kindly take the matter up, and place it
now on a business basis. In considering the case, let me remind you that once
the new class is formed next month, we shall not accept any more students
for at least three more years.

Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,

CONVENER, THEOL: STUD: COMMITTEE.



17th January, 1923.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
CAPE TOWN.

17th January, 1923.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Dear Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Architects,

Dear Sirs, Thanks for the wings of Details Nos. 1 to 5, and for your wire of the 15th about reinforcing rods in the foundation.

Dear Sirs,

PRESBYTERIAN HOSTEL: CLERK OF WORKS.

The supply pipe which has been scheduled _____ alone, or is it intended eventually to be the main pipe for the water supply of both Hostel and Warden's House? When in King Wa's Town on Monday I saw Mr. J. C. McCurdy, of Alexandra Road, King Wa's Town, and he agreed to act as Supervisor for us. I explained the situation fully to him. He has acted in a similar capacity on other buildings. You probably know him. He is well recommended for competence in his work.

The arrangement we discussed was for him to pay periodical visits, say on an average three-weekly, it being understood that he would come oftener or less frequently as the exigencies of the work called for. The fee he suggested was three guineas a visit, plus pipe expenses. He indicated that later on he might reduce the fee.

It was understood between us that the business would be put in form by you, and that it would be with you that he would have his formal relations. Will you kindly take the matter up, and place it now on a business footing?

Yours sincerely,
J. J. ...

Yours sincerely,

J. J. ...



17th January, 1923.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
CARE TOWN.

17th January, 1923

22nd Jan. 1923.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Dear Sirs, CARE TOWN.

6th March, 1923.

Dear Sirs, Thanks for your drawings of Details Nos. 1 to 5, and for your wire of the 15th about reinforcing rods in the foundation.

Thanks for the specifications and Mr. Harris has been in to see me and he asks whether the supply pipe which has been scheduled is intended for the Hostel alone, or is it intended eventually to be the main pipe for the supply of both Hostel and Warden's House? The water supply for the builders is being arranged just now. Can the connection with the College main and the builders' service pipe now to be put down be so arranged as to form part of the permanent system? Is a stop cock on the main at a point between the end of the middle line of our plot (marked from the Hostel building) instead of

I may remind you that the schedule provides for 80' of piping from the College main. The distance from the College main to the foremost portion of the front wing of the Hostel is 135'. The distance from the College main to the foremost portion of the front wing of the Hostel is 135'.

A sketch of what you propose so as to work in the present service pipe with the permanent system if possible would prove useful.

Burgess strongly advocated a 1 1/2" leading, reduced farther to 1" in some places. His reasons were (a) that 1" is rather small to serve both the Hostel and the Warden's House, more especially if we reconsider the question of earth closets in the Hostel latrine, and I sometimes feel inclined to do. This last question is not urgent for the moment. (b) Burgess said that his experience led him to believe that river water you are apt to get pipes corroded, and a 1 1/2" pipe is not effective up to that diameter.

J. Hensley

It seemed a pity to hold up the arranging of the water supply for the builders till this should be referred to you, and I therefore agreed to the two points I have mentioned, viz., (a) the taking out of a leading at a point between the Hostel and the Warden's House, and 5' from the former, and (b) that the leading out of the College water main should be 1 1/2" instead of 1" as specified. This latter point means a slight increase in price which will have to be adjusted later.

This is the first time that a variation in the contract has arisen, and I am naturally chary of seeming to interfere in what is your province. I shall be glad to hear from you if you are satisfied with the course I have followed in this instance, or whether your experience is that the longer way of referring all such matters to you may in the long-run be the shorter road.

Yours sincerely,

J. Hensley



22nd March, 1923.

22nd Jan. 1923.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
CAPE TOWN.

6th March, 1923.

Dear Sirs,

Rev. Dr. Webster,

1. Thanks for the specifications and your letter of 17th inst.

2. I met with Burgess, Plumber from East London, and Terris and Gibb on the ground on Saturday, and we discussed the water take-out from the College water main.

There is a stop cock on the main at a point 40' to the side of the middle line of our plot farthest from the Hostel building. Instead of using this at the present time, we decided to take out a leading at a point on the main 5' to the right of the right wing of the Hostel. This leading will thus serve the Hostel and the Warden's House when that comes to be erected. exchange by further waiting, and delay would embarrase the situation here.

You had specified a $\frac{3}{4}$ " leading from the College main. Burgess strongly advocated a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " leading, reduced farther only His reasons were (a) that $\frac{3}{4}$ " is rather small to serve both the Hostel and the Warden's House, more especially if we reconsider the question of earth closets in the Hostel latrine, as I sometimes feel inclined to do. This last question is not urgent for the moment. (b) Burgess said that his experience led him to say that with river water you are apt to get pipes corroded, and a $\frac{3}{4}$ " pipe is not effective up to that diameter.

It seemed a pity to hold up the arranging of the water supply for the bathiers till this should be referred to you, and I therefore agreed to the two points I have mentioned, viz., (a) the taking out of a leading at a point between the Hostel and the Warden's House, and 5' from the former, and (b) that the leading out of the College water main should be $1\frac{1}{2}$ " instead of $\frac{3}{4}$ " as specified. This latter point means a slight increase in price which will have to be adjusted later.

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Yours sincerely,



27th March, 1923.
28th March, 1923.

J. Chalmers, Esq., B.Sc.,
Vice-Principal,

Rev. T. B. Soga, LL.
Clerk of the Presbytery of Kaffraria,
Butterworth,
Rev. Dr. Webster,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

6th March, 1923.

Dear Dr. Webster, Mr. Julius Mbulawa arrived here on Saturday 24th instant, and I submitted provisionally to the Theological Class, pending formal acceptance by your Presbytery for recommendation to the Theological Students' Co. In his letter to me of 29th November last, Mr. Ashcroft asked what we would like done with the £5,000 in hand at Home for the Presbyterian Hostel. I have refrained from taking any steps in this matter because of the unfavourable state of the exchange. I briefly recount the facts of his case.

It is time now however that the money should be here as operations are actively in progress, and nothing seems likely to be gained in the matter of exchange by further waiting, and delay would embarrass the situation here.

I shall be glad therefore if you will kindly arrange for the £5,000 to be sent out now on receipt of this letter.

With kind regards,
yours sincerely,
I sent that letter on to you on 6th November for submission to the Presbytery. I did not hear till April, there was a difficulty in dealing with this application in regular form, and also there was no bursary available. However, a bursary became available through the failure of another student to come up as expected. I therefore wired that a bursary was available for Mbulawa, if you were prepared to recommend him provisionally till such time as the application could come formally before your Presbytery.

My first impressions of this student are favourable, and I trust that in view of the circumstances of the case I have recounted, the Presbytery will now see its way to put the application in regular form by taking Mbulawa under its care and recommending him as a theological student.

I should have added in my third paragraph above that he is born of a Mosuto father and Ningo mother and speaks Kafir. His own home district is Matatiele.

Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,
James



27th March, 1923.
26th March, 1923.

J. Chalmers, Esq., B.Sc.,
Vice-Principal,

17th April, 1923.

Rev. T. B. SOGA, LL.B.

Clerk of the Presbytery of Kaffraria,

Dear Mr. Chalmers, BUTTERWORTH,

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS: ANDREW SMITH BURSARIES.

Dear Mr. Soga,

In accordance with the usual procedure whereby the applications for Mr. Julius Mbulawa arrived here on Saturday 24th instant, and has been admitted provisionally to the Theological Class, pending formal acceptance by your Presbytery for recommendation to the Theological Students' Committee. I enclose herewith to submit to you a copy of the application which is in the terms of my letter to Dr. Henderson of 9th September last. You have the papers connected with Mr. Mbulawa's application, and I have not copies of them here for reference, but I may briefly recount the facts of his case.

He was born on 24th Aug, 1888; educated at Emvanyane, and took his T3 junior in 1918; has been teaching recently under Rev. Mr. Haaseyer, who has sent an excellent testimonial which is now in your possession.

NEW STUDENTS
He wrote on 1st November asking to be admitted to the Theological Class, and I sent that letter on to you on 6th November for submission to the Presbytery. As the presbytery did not meet till April, there was a difficulty in dealing with this application in regular form, and also there was no bursary available. Later, however, a bursary became available through the failure of another student to come up as expected. I therefore ~~wired~~ wired you that a bursary was available for Mbulawa, if you were prepared to recommend him provisionally till such time as the application could come formally before your Presbytery. My first impressions of this student are favourable, and I trust that in view of the circumstances of the case I have recounted, the Presbytery will now see its way to put the application in regular form by taking Mbulawa under its care and recommending him as a theological student.

I should have added in my third paragraph above that he is born of a Mosuto father and Pingo mother and speaks Kafir. His own home district is Matatiele.

I shall be glad to receive from Mr. Veir the half-yearly payments for the nine students named above.

Yours sincerely,

Yours sincerely,

J. Chalmers



27th March, 1923.

11th May, 1923.

17th April, 1923.

J. Chalmers, Esq., B.Sc.,
Vice-Principal,

Mr. E. J. Keel
Kanyo High School,
Dear Mr. Chalmers,

THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS: ANDREW SMITH BURSARIES.

In accordance with the usual procedure whereby the applications for bursaries for theological students are forwarded to the Secretary of the Andrew Smith Trust through the Principal of Lovedale, I ask you to be good enough to submit to Mrs. J. G. Weir the following application which is in the terms of my letter to Dr. Henderson of 9th September last.

I have read with much interest your declaration of your hope to serve in the ministry in 1924. I have no difficulty in the way of what you propose. A new theological class will not be formed until the beginning of this year, and the next class will not be formed until the beginning of 1925. We do not take in new students into our theological class until February 1924. Another class will be formed for this in February 1925. You would be 33, and at the end of your four years of study you would be 37, an advanced age at which to enter on ministerial work.

SENIOR STUDENTS:

1. Wm Letscale
2. Gasa Miza
3. Columbus Ngxwana
4. David Sikutshwa

NEW STUDENTS:

5. Josiah Hongo
6. Julius Mbulswa
7. Wilson Ndibongo
8. Gilbert Nzotyana
9. Ebenezer Kokozela

I mention these names because they have to be faced and would require to be as a theological student. This letter to Mrs. J. G. Weir and talk over the matter. If you still wish to apply to be received as a theological student, send me your application. The case of the sixth new student, Jabez Mboniswa, making up the total of six which I mentioned in my letter to Dr. Henderson, is under consideration by the Presbytery of the Transkei and will be disposed of at a meeting soon to be held. I reserve my application for this sixth new bursary till the result of this meeting is known.

The number applied for this year is unusually large. At the end of this year the senior students will go out, and two of the new students will begin to receive the Tiyo Soga bursaries in 1924 and be no further charge of the Tiyo Soga Trust.

I shall be glad to receive from Mrs. Weir the half-yearly payments for the nine students named above.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature



11th May, 1923.

17th April, 1923.

Mr. Abner Poho,
P. O. Box 94,
Mr. E. J. Makubai,
Kanye High School,
Dear Kanye Poho,

I duly received your letter of the 26th ultimo, and have discussed it with the members of the Theological Students' Committee. Dear Sirs are close at hand.

Your letter of the 27th February addressed to Rev. Dr. Henderson came when he was leaving for America, and has been sent on to me for reply. It is a matter of course that you must soon relinquish.

I have read with much interest your declaration of your hope to serve the church in 1924. I note that you propose to come forward in 1924. A new theological class was formed at the beginning of this year, and the next class will not be formed until 1926. We do not take in new students into our theological class in the middle of a course. A new class was formed in February of this year and another class will not ordinarily be formed till February 1926. We are waiting till 1926, you would be 38, and at the end of your four years you would be 42, an advanced age at which to enter on ministerial work.

I mention these difficulties because they have to be faced and would be raised if you made formal application to be received as a theological student. You might show this letter to Rev. E. Dugmore and talk over the matter with him. If after doing so you still wish to apply to be received as a theological student, send me your application and I shall bring it up in the proper quarter.

I enclose a syllabus of our theological course. It is somewhat out of date and requires to be re-written, but its main lines of information still hold good. At a decision as to what the will of God for us may be. This letter probably will be a disappointment to you, but I feel sure that the spirit that moved you to write in the way you have done about your father's work will enable you to look at his matter wisely and without too severe disappointment.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,



11th May, 1923.

Mr. Abner Pehe,
P. O. Box 94,
HEILBRON.

16th May, 1923.

Dear Mr. Pehe,

I duly received your letter of the 26th ultimo, and has discussed it with the members of the Theological Students' Committee who are close at hand.

We note with appreciation your laudable desire to prepare yourself to take up the ministerial work which your father on account of age must soon relinquish.

Let me explain for your guidance that all theological students are accepted by us for training only after they have been accepted by their own Presbytery as students in training for the ministry, and recommended by the Presbytery to us.

A new class was formed in February of this year, and another class will not ordinarily be formed till February 1926. We are reluctant to receive students in mid-course, for this is fair neither to the student concerned, nor to the class he joins nor to his lecturers.

There also is a serious consideration in the matter of your health. I asked for and have received from the Victoria Hospital a statement of your Levedale record of health, and I am afraid that the state of your health does not seem to promise that it would be wise for you to enter on this profession. We would require to be thoroughly satisfied on this point before it would be possible to receive you.

I am sorry to have to write in this way. But it is by paying heed to these particulars that we may be enabled to arrive at a decision as to what the will of God for us may be. This letter probably will be a disappointment to you, but I feel sure that the spirit that moved you to write in the way you have done about your father's work will enable you to look at his matterwisely and without too severe disappointment.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

J. R. ...

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16th May, 1923.

Rev. J. Webster, D.D.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Dr. Webster,

I have heard from Lovedale that in response to my letter of 6th March you have transmitted through Messrs. ~~Wade/W~~ Baker King & Co., the sum of £5,000 for the Hostel building, and I thank the F. M. Committee for their own gift and for arranging the loan on behalf of the Pres. Church of South Africa.

The rate of exchange charged was 1½%, and between East London and Alice the Standard Bank charged us 1/16th %. The actual amount received therefore worked out

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With kind regards,

In Mr. Ashcroft's letter to me of 4th January last, he wrote that the total standing to the credit of the Hostel was £5,145, of which £2,500 was in Lovedale's hands. This latter sum is balanced by the £2,500 advanced on behalf of the Pres. Church of South Africa. There remains therefore in the hands of the For. Miss. Committee £145, which we shall be able, I trust, to preserve as the nucleus of the fund for the Warden's house.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

J. Kerr

P. S. Since writing the above I have been reminded by Princ. Kerr that after consultation with me some time ago he wrote to Rev. Dr. Wark saying the Pres. Ch. of S. Africa might reckon on being called upon to pay the interest on £2,500 from 1st July next. This was when Dr. Wark was preparing their budget, and at that time we gave 1st July as the date when we anticipated that the Pres. Church of S. Africa's responsibility for interest might begin to count.



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16th May, 1923.

Rev. Dr. Wark,
33, Woodley Street,
KIMBERLEY.

16th May, 1923.

Dear Dr. Wark,

Dear Dr. Wark,

I would like to add in a less formal letter that the cost of transmitting the £5,000 was £24. 6. 6. and if the Presbyterian Church would use the £5,000 in the Hostel building I wrote to the Foreign Mission Committee asking them to send out £5,000, being the second £2,500 of their amount ear-marked for this purpose, and £2,500 advanced as arranged between the Pres. Church of South Africa and the United Free Church of Scotland.

The For. Miss. Committee last week sent out £5,000, which with the £2,500 which they had already sent makes £7,500 they have forwarded for the Hostel Building Fund.

The building is making steady progress, and there is good ground to hope that it will be completed by the contract time, 31st December next.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



17th May, 1923.
16th May, 1923.

Rev. Dr. Wark,
35, Woodley Street,
Dear Dr. Wark, KIMBERLEY.

Dear Dr. Wark would like to add in a less formal letter that the cost of transmitting the £5,000 was £84. 6. 6, and if the Presbyterian Church would meet the half of this which was incurred in transmitting the £2,500 advanced by agreement with them, I should be very glad.

When the English mail came in yesterday afternoon, we found that the £5,000 sent out by the For. Mission Committee was for Lovedale, not for the Hostel Building Fund. At the same time it was intimated that the For. Miss. Committee are sending out immediately money to complete their own contribution of £5,000 for the Hostel Building Fund, and they propose to send out the £2,500 arranged between the Pres. Church of S. Africa and the United Miss. Society at a later date when the money will be actually required by the building shall then have received.

Yours sincerely,

This will suit you quite well, as it does not hasten the date at which your payment of interest on the loaned £5,000 will begin to operate.

Yours sincerely,

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Yours sincerely,

[Handwritten signature]



30th May, 1923.

17th May, 1923.

Rev. Dr. Wark,
35, Woodley Street,
KIMBERLEY.

Dear Dr. Wark,

Please cancel my letter of yesterday, of the 24th enquiring about conditions of theological training.

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This will suit you quite well, as it does not hasten the date at which your payment of interest on the loaned £2,500 will begin to operate.

Yours sincerely,
Yours sincerely.

[Handwritten signature]



3rd July, 1923.

30th May, 1923.

30th May, 1923.

Rev. W. Gavin, M.A.,

Rev. T. G. H. Parick,
c/o Mr. P. J. Bestbier,

Dear Mr. Gavin,
Brakfontein,

SPANJAARD SILLINGS,
C. R. KOKOZELA.

Dear Sir,

Since his arrival here B. Kokozela has frequently
Mr. Challice has sent on to me your letter of the 24th
enquiring about conditions of theological training. I wrote to me
saying that Mr. Kokozela is suffering from Lenticular opacity. This
It is not clear from your letter at what stage the
student is for whom you are making enquiries. I enclose a syllabus
of the theological training course for our Presbyterian students
who now are trained at the South African Native College. It gives
information about conditions of acceptance, courses, etc. The fees
here are £25 for the first year, and £22 for each of the other three
years.

I have not communicated this opinion to Kokozela, and
I may add that we began a new class of theological stud-
ents in February of this year, and another new class will not be
formed till February 1926.

When a man of Kokozela's age has come to a decision
to study for the ministry and has given up his teaching work for
this purpose, one would require to ascertain before communi-
cating the serious news to him that his sight (in this case) precludes
him from proceeding with this course. Mr. Grey tells me that he
has made a specialty of ophthalmic work, and his opinion must carry
great weight. Perhaps it is sufficient. But I confess that I would
feel happier in communicating such a serious verdict if we were
supported by another opinion. What do you think on this point? If
you think this view not unreasonable, what second doctor would you
suggest? Is there any good ophthalmic man up your way whom Kokozela
might see during the Winter vacation?

Yours sincerely,

D. Herms



May 21st, 1923.

30th May, 1923.

Rev. W. Gavin, M.A.,
Raiy,
J. CHUMAZATA.

Dear Mr. Gavin,

BENEZER KOKOZELA.

Since his arrival here E. Kokozela has frequently complained about his eyesight and he has been already three or four times to the doctor. On the last occasion, Dr. Gray wrote to me saying that "E. Kokozela is suffering from Lenticular opacity. This is the early stage of cataract. In my opinion it would be useless for him to continue his studies." I am to send him back in a few days' time when Dr. Gray will try the effect of glasses, but on this aspect of the question he adds: "They will only be a temporary help, and will require renewing frequently as the density of the lens increases."

I have not communicated this opinion to Kokozela, and I thought before doing so that you and I might exchange views on the matter.
Yours sincerely,

When a man of Kokozela's age has come to a decision to study for the ministry and has given up his teaching work for this purpose, one would require to be very certain before communicating the serious news to him that his sight (in this case) precludes him from proceeding with this course. Dr. Gray tells me that he has made a specialty of ophthalmic work, and his opinion must carry great weight. Perhaps it is sufficient. But I confess that I would feel happier in communicating such a serious verdict if we were supported by another opinion. What do you think on this point? If you think this view not unreasonable, what second doctor would you suggest? Is there any good ophthalmic man up your way whom Kokozela might see during the Winter vacation?

Yours sincerely,

B. Kemp



3rd July, 1923.
5th July, 1923.

J. Chalmers, Esq., B.Sc., Ed.,
Messrs. J. W. Weir & Co.,
KING ROYD/AIR.

Dear Mr. Chalmers,

I enclose Messrs. J. W. Weir & Co's cheque in my favour for £1,977.10s., which I have made payable to you, in conformity with our conversation that Bonmahle Institution would take over this behabunt £1,977 till required for the Hostel building.

I am glad to say that the local Standard Bank is putting this through. I attach a letter addressed to the Manager of the Standard Bank, Alice, certifying that the money is from the Church and for Church purposes, and you agreed to put the cheque through at par on this understanding. Please attach my letter to the cheque when you bank it.

Yours sincerely,
Yours sincerely,

J. Chalmers

The carriage will be paid by the High, I am, and these three roads, or please that on all such road by the High, note that is consistent with safety.

Yours faithfully,



4th July, 1923.

31st July, 1923.

Messrs. J. W. Weir, & Co., Ltd.,
KING MIL'S TOWN. Committee,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Sirs,

Dear Sirs,

I thank you for your letter of the 18th July and
I acknowledge with thanks your cheque for £1,977.10. 0 on
behalf of the Foreign Mission Committee of the United Free Church.
I am glad to say that the local Standard Bank branch is
putting this through at par.

I have also received your cheque for £25 on account of the
Tiyo Soga Bursary Fund.

Yours sincerely,
I understand that there is the balance
of £145 in your hands.
I have arranged this with
the Vice-Principal of the Institute.

The carriage will be rather higher than I fear. Ferris could
use these treads soon, so please send them on at once and by the quickest
mode that is consistent with economy.

Yours faithfully,



4th July, 1923.

31st July, 1923.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
The South African Lead Works, Ltd.,
The Secretary,
Foreign Missions Committee,
111, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Sirs,

I thank you for your letter of the 19th July, and for the block of samples, received later, which I am returning by this post.

I am glad to be able to report that last night I received from Messrs. J. & Co., Ltd., of King Wharf, Town the sum of £31,077.10/-, being £2,000 remitted for the Hostel building less transmission charges £22.10.0. I thank the Committee anew for their generous help towards this enterprise and am asking them to confirm the length of each tread that we require.

There are 34 steps from the P.M.C. Minute on the matter which reported £2,145 on hand for this purpose. I understand that there is the balance of £145 in your hands for further needs as they may arise. I have rendered to Lovedale Missionary Institution, Lovedale in contractor's name for the building in course of erection and I have arranged this with the Vice-Principal of the Institution.

Yours sincerely,
J. J. ...

The carriage will be rather high, I fear. Ferris could use these treads soon, so please send them on at once and by the quickest mode that is consistent with economy.

Yours faithfully,

J. J. ...



31st July, 1923.

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The South African Lead Works, Ltd.,
P. O. Box 1322, Jet Street,
CAPE TOWN.

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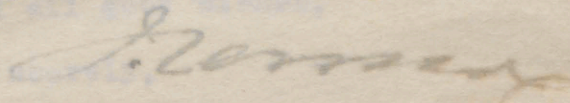
I have consulted with those concerned, and we shall take a supply of No. 2 Tread, 4 in. wide with metal nosing @ 3/6 per foot. of the order. The point that wants your advice is the length of each Tread. Terris thought I am sending a copy of this letter to Messrs. Parker & Forsyth, and am asking them to confirm the length of each Tread that we require. There are 24 steps.

You will also know what type of nosing will best suit the edging of the steps. When you are issuing the material, it should be addressed to Mr. Terris, Presbyterian Hostel, Fort Hare, Alice, and the account rendered to Lovedale Missionary Institution, as Lovedale is contractor here for the building in course of erection and I have arranged this with the Vice-Principal of the Institution.

Yours faithfully,

The carriage will be rather ~~high~~ high, I fear. Terris could use these treads soon, so please send them on at once and by the quickest mode that is consistent with economy.

Yours faithfully,




31st July, 1923.

2nd August, 1923.

Messrs. Parker & Forsyth,
Westminster House,
J. C. McCurdy, 233 Longmarket Street,
CAPE TOWN.

Dear Sirs,

King of the Town.

I have to thank you for getting samples and prices of Treads sent on here. I enclose a copy of the reply I have sent to the South African Lead Works, Ltd.

I ask you to be good enough to place the final quantities of in the order. The point that wants your advice is the length of each Tread. Terris thought that 3'6" or even 3' would be sufficient. Please say what you think necessary to combine efficiency and economy.

You will also know what type of nosing will best suit the edging of the steps that you are arranging for.

I suppose "Goods" train is the best mode of getting the stuff here.

Yours faithfully,

Herbert

There is nothing in this to discourage you. to go on, and find that the Spirit suffers by not being in the case of each. I think your talents are a great blessing to the evangelizing, and our wisdom is to use to the best the talents our Master has entrusted to us.

With kind regards and all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Herbert



2nd August, 1923.

J. C. McCurdy, Esq.,
Mr. Michah...
Alexandra Road,
King Wm's Town.

Dear Sir,

I have thought carefully over the contents of the 8th inst. and have pleasure in enclosing a cheque for £28.11.6. In replying in the same way. I am glad to know that you are not in payment of fees and expenses connected with your visits to the set to tell me that, but all the more I am glad you have written about what is Presbyterian Hostel building to the end of June.

I think you want Yours sincerely, and therefore I shall tell you exactly what I think. I am perfectly certain that you will do your best work as a teacher and evangelist. I think you would make a mistake if you applied to enter the theological class. For one thing you have not the qualifications that the Committee requires. You will remember that they require at least the possession of the ES certificate as a proof of general educational qualification. Then again you are rather old to enter on a difficult course of study. You would find the pace of the work too slow for you, and ground for dissatisfaction.

There is nothing in this to discourage you. to go one way, and find that the Spirit "suffers us not" as he did in the case of Paul. I think your talents lie in the direction of teaching and evangelising, and our wisdom is to use to the best the talents our Master has entrusted to us.

With kind regards and all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

J.C. McCurdy



late

Alice,
18th August 1923.

20th August 3.

Mr. Micah Maeda,
MGluckens School,
LIBODE.

South African Native College, ALICE,
4th September, 1923.

Dear Micah, Secretary,

ANDREW SMITH BURSARY TRUST,

I have thought carefully over the contents of your letter of the 5th instant, and as you wrote a personal letter to me, I am replying in the same way. I am glad to know that your heart is set on saving the souls of your countrymen. I did not require your letter to tell me that, but all the same I am glad you have written about what is in your heart. I enclose nine receipts, each for £12.10/-, accounting for £112.10/-. I am sending the balance of £25 to Mr. Chairman for the Bursary and will soon be sending you my candid advice, and therefore I shall tell you exactly what I think. I am perfectly certain that you will do your best work as a teacher and evangelist. I think you would make a mistake if you applied to enter the theological class. For one thing you have not the qualifications that the Committee requires. You will remember that they require at least the possession of the T3 certificate as a proof of general educational qualification. Then again you are rather old to enter on a difficult course of study. You would find the pace of the work too great for you. Just ground for dissatisfaction, and I have on more than one occasion stated my views to the Bursary. There is nothing in this to discourage you. I would like to see you to go one way, and find that the Spirit "suffers us not" as he did in the case of Paul. I think your talents lie in the direction of teaching and evangelising, and our wisdom is to use to the best the talents our Master has entrusted to us.

With kind regards and all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

James



20th August 3.

Hon. Secretary,
J. G. Weir, Esq., South African Native College, ALICE,
4th September, 1923.
Mr. Elton, ANDREW SMITH BURSARY TRUST,
King Wm's Town.

Dear Mr. Weir,

Dear Sir,
Thanks for your letter of the 16th forwarding cheque for £137.10/-. I enclose nine receipts, each for £12.10/-, accounting for £112.10/-. I am sending the balance of £25 to Mr. Chalmers for Mr. Baruti and he will send you Baruti's receipt in due course.

I showed Mr. Chalmers your letter, and especially your reference to the Lovedale Book Department prices for stationery, etc. I expect that Mr. Chalmers will himself reply to this. I know that the matter was taken up recently by the Executive of the Lovedale Governing Council, and a sub-committee was appointed to go into the prices with the Manager of the Book Department. I have not heard what the result of their work has been. There was just ground for dissatisfaction, and I have on more than one occasion represented my views to Dr. Henderson. I am glad that the Executive has taken the question up.

Yours sincerely,

W. G. ...

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22nd September, 3.

Messrs. W. & A. Haines,
2 - 11 Dunlop Street,
GLASGOW.

South African Native College, ALICE,
4th September, 1923.

Mr. Elizabeth J. Mosrane,
Mungolsaneng,
Pretoria View,
Mount Fletcher.

letter of the 25th August whose contents are noted.

An last year, I used to give a prize of books at the total of £10. But this year, I am giving two such prizes, a total of £20. I may not have a list of books from which I ask you to make up I duly received your letter of the 11th July, but as it came when we were very busy with the work of the General Assembly of this church, I regret that there has been some delay in answering it. I was greatly disappointed that in consequence the number of books received for the I think all your questions about the theological course here are answered in the pamphlet which I enclose. It is rather out-of-date, and is about to be rewritten, but I have changed some things, and in the main it gives you the information you require.

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2. The World wide Atlas.
From Everyman's Library Yours faithfully,

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| 8. (219) Beans and Lilies. | 26. (91) Law's Serious Call. |
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Yours sincerely,



22nd September, 3.

Messrs. W. & A. Haines,
3 - 11 Dunlop Street,
NORWOOD.

South African Native College, ALICE,
4th September, 1923.

Mr. Elizabeth J. Moswane,
Mangochaneng,
P.O. Mafafu View,
Mount Fletcher.

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Dear Sir, As last year, I wish to give a prize of books at the total cost of 25. But this year, I am giving two such prizes, a total of 50. I have set down a list of books from which I ask you to make up I duly received your letter of the 11th July, but as it came when we were very busy with the work of the General Assembly of this church, I regret that there has been some delay in answering it. I was greatly disappointed that in consequence the number of books received for the

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Yours sincerely,



22nd September, 3.

Messrs. W. & R. Holmes,
3 - 11 Dunlop Street,
GLASGOW.

Dear Sirs,

Thanks for your letter of the 28th August whose contents are noted.

As last year, I wish to give a prize of books at the total cost including postage of £5. But this year, I am giving two such prizes, a total of £10. I now set down a list of books from which I ask you to make up an order to work out at £5, and to send me two such lots. Where are the books in "Everyman's Library" to revert to pre-war price? Last year the price was 2/- per vol. as against pre-war 1/- net, and I was greatly disappointed that in consequence the number of books received for the prize I offered was just about half what I expected. I know you will do your best for me, and if the price is still at war level, should be glad if you will make enquiries and tell me when a reduction of price may be expected. If through any reduction in price the £5 will buy more books than I am setting down, you could add from "Everyman" any books in last year's list not contained in this year's one.

Books from which to make up a £5 order, including postage.

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Yours sincerely,



South African Native College,
Fort Hare, ALICE,

5th October, 1923.

South African Native College,

Fort Hare, ALICE,

12th October, 1923.

Rev. J. A. Davidson, M.A.,

Tsakong,

MT. FLETCHER.

Mr. Murray G. Motobang,

Dear Mr. Davidson, Missionary Station,

Serulle,

Lennox Jolobe: Theological Student.

BOTHA-BOTHA

In reply to your enquiry of the 28th instant, I make great pleasure in testifying to the good, steady work done by Mr. Lennox Jolobe, and to the good character he bears.

This student will be completing his training in the 18th ultimo, and I wish to add that he has steadily grown in character and in the developing of his powers. I venture to urge that he be sympathetically guided and helped especially during the first year or two of practical work, when he will be acquiring experience of a different kind from that which College life affords; cannot with success be undertaken privately. The student requires the discipline of a regular class.

Yours sincerely,

I do not know what arrangements have been made since the death of the late Rev. E. Jacottet, but during his lifetime there was an excellent course of training provided by the Basutoland mission of the P.E.M. Society.

THEOLOGICAL TUTOR.

I note that you say you are aiming at getting a theological degree under the College. Let me remind you however that the College as such does not undertake to provide theological training. That is provided by the Churches which have brought their theological students here.

Yours faithfully,



15th October, 1923.

Rev. F. Ashcroft, B.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

Knowing the progress of the South African Native College, at Home
have taken in the development of this College, Hare, it ALICE, all you that
it has been gazetted as a "place of higher education" 12th October, 1923.
Education Act, No. 30 of 1923. The effect of this is that we now have
the College of Education, University College and are incorporated. From
the Department of Education, Natal, was not defined. We owe a great deal to
the various Ministers, Serulle, and especially the Rt. Hon. F. S.
Malan, at present Acting Prime Minister, and to the Secretary for Education,
Mr. J. M. G. M. for their interest and support. The same can be
said of the Native Affairs. These departments have given
the College of their best.

Mr. Murray C. Motebang,
Joel's Missionary Station,
Serulle,
BOTHA-BOTHE.

Dear Mr. Motebang,

Princ. Kern has handed me your letter of the
18th ultimo, enquiring about the possibility of taking a theological
course, either by correspondence or by recommending certain text-
books. In a recent letter from Mr. Valentine he appends a note
expressing the hope that someone would send Home full particulars about
the General Assembly of the P.E.M. Society. My own experience, now extending over many years,
does not lead me to favour the course you propose. Theological
training cannot with success be undertaken privately. The student
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Yours faithfully,
in January. By that
time the building will be finished, and the certificates for payments
can be passed. It also will fix the beginning of the year as the date
at which the Presb. Ch. of S. Africa will begin to pay interest on their
£22,500, and this is the date we said some time ago might be expected.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



15th October, 1923.

Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

30th Oct. 3.

A. Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

Knowing the personal interest you and others at Home have taken in the development of this College, I write to tell you that it has been gazetted as a "place of higher education" under The Higher Education Act, No. 30 of 1923. The effect of this is that we now have the official standing of a University College and are incorporated. From the opening of the College it has been "mothered" by the Union Education Department, but our position was not defined. We owe a great deal to the various Ministers of Education, and especially the Rt. Hon. F. S. Malan, at present Acting Prime Minister, and to the Secretary for Education, Mr. G. H. Hofmeyr, for their interest and support. The same can be said of the Department of Native Affairs. These departments have given the College of their best in the way of sympathy, support and advice on all questions of a technical nature that have arisen.

In a recent letter from Mr. Valentine he appends a note expressing the hope that someone would send Home full particulars about the General Assembly of the Bantu Presbyterian Church, and then he added a postscript that the reports of the Assembly had just come in. In looking up my letters I see that it was on 25th July that I pasted a long article on the General Assembly to Dr. Foxgan, the Convener. I hope he received it all right.

The Hostel is steadily progressing. I was asking Mr. Chalmers (Vice-Princ., Lovedale) yesterday what the Lovedale departments are saying about the date of completing the contract, and he told me they have every expectation that they will finish by the contract time, 31st December. In this connection let me remind you that as the work falls into this year, Lovedale will naturally want payment to fall into this year's accounts, and certificates for heavy amounts will be coming in soon. **LATER.** I have interrupted the writing of this letter so as to have an opportunity of discussing this point with Mr. Chalmers. We agreed that the best time at which to send out the balance of the £7,500 for the Hostel building will be early in January. By that time the building will be finished, and the certificates for payments can be passed. It also will fix the beginning of the year as the date at which the Pres. Ch. of S. Africa will begin to pay interest on their £2,500, and this is the date we said some time ago might be expected.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

Stewart



13th December, 1943.

30th Oct. 3.

A. Forsyth, Esq.,
Westminster House,
Longmarket Street,
CARR TOWN.

Dear Forsyth,

I would like to discuss with you personally the question of out-buildings for the Hostel before putting up a formal letter to the firm. Had it been possible for us to meet it would have helped me very much to discuss the matter with you personally.

We must have some external accommodation, and yet, with the contract price, fees and extras, we are getting dangerously near the limit of the money available. Would you mind telling what your percentage is for architect's fees? It runs in my mind that you or Parker told me this but I do not seem to have a note of it, and it materially affects the question now before me.

The minimum that seems necessary is accommodation as a stable convertible later into a garage, a room for the man who will look after the buildings and grounds, and a storeroom. In order to see where I was, I asked Terris and Gibb to give me an idea of what these might cost. They gave a figure basing upon a style of building in keeping with the main Hostel building. The site suggested is between the Hostel wing and our boundary fence, close up to the fence and opposite the middle of the wing. I attach a copy of their specification. I feel perhaps I should have consulted you about this earlier, but you understand the difficulty of funds which is pressing more and more heavily upon me and making me smither. External accommodation, however, seems to me essential and I shall welcome your opinion and criticism of what is now before us. I can then, if you think it necessary, put the matter in a formal letter to the firm. One thing that seems to me important is that you should be satisfied that any external buildings should be in keeping with the main building in respect of situation and style.

You will have heard from McCurdy about the progress of the main building. Terris and Gibb are putting good work and there seems good reason to believe that their work will be completed to time.

Do you happen to know a firm that used to make a very nice garden seat called the "Coronation"? If I could find the firm I would like four of these for the verandah and balcony.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,

Almond



17th November, 1923.
13th November, 1923.

Rev. Rev. Mr. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

HOSTEL BUILDING FUND.

Mr. Chalmers, Vice-Principal of Lovedale, and I have been going into the Hostel Building a/c with Lovedale. Perhaps we should have intimated to you earlier that the £2,500 belonging to the Hostel which was lent to Lovedale, was transferred from Lovedale to the Hostel Building Fund on 1st June last, on which day we were called on to meet the first payment to Lovedale of £1,000. In making these arrangements we acted on Dr. Webster's letters to Mr. Hunter and myself of 23rd April. At the present moment the Hostel Fund, including the £1,977.10/- received on 4th July, has been drawn upon till it has a credit balance of £129. As stated in my letter to you of 15th October, we expect to have other certificates passed by the architect for payment about the end of the year, and we also have the architects' fees, and the accounts for the equipment to meet. I therefore confirm the opinion expressed in the letter of the 15th October, asking that it be arranged to let us have the £2,500, whose interest is guaranteed by the Presbyterian Church of South Africa, at the beginning of January of next year.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Perhaps it is better to regard this letter as an informal invitation to interchange of views. If necessary, the matter could be stated formally at a later date after we have discussed it a little.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



COPY.

12th December, 1923.

17th November, 1923.

Dear Ndibongo,

Rev. D. Wark, D.D.,

AGNES BERRY has shown me the ticket you gave her with which to travel home.

Dear Dr. Wark is a scholar's concession ticket, of which you used the part from Mganduli to Alice, and you have told her this week, for her to use it to travel to the Hostel Building Committee meeting this week, at which Revs. J. M. Patterson and J. S. Lister were present as representing the Presbyterian Church of South Africa. There is every reason to believe that the Hostel will be ready for occupation at the contract time, the end of this year.

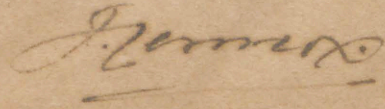
What you have arranged is a fraud. The certificates already passed by the architects have exhausted the funds in hand. Other certificates will fall due at the end of this year. I have written Mr. Ashcroft asking him to send out the £2,500 for which you are finding the interest as soon as possible and remain at liberty. You may therefore count on interest being beginning to run as from 1st January, which is as we expected when Mr. Kerr was writing you about it for anyone. It is doubly so in a theological student.

We shall be getting the lease for the ground on which the Hostel stands put in order to count as from 1st January. All in the United Free Church mission property in South Africa is held in the name of the General Trustees of the United Free Church of Scotland. What do you think we should do in this case? At the present moment the Pres. Ch. of S. Africa is committed formally only to providing the annual interest of £125. But it may go farther and make a direct contribution to the capital sum invested in the Hostel. The name to be inserted in the lease therefore should not be decided without some consideration. Of course if the name "The General Trustees of the United Free Church of Scotland" were with the consent of the Pres. Ch. of S. Africa inserted in the lease, it is not as if the Pres. Ch. of S. Africa would be assigning away some of its realisable assets. The Hostel will remain for the purpose for which it is erected. It is an almost inconceivable possibility that the churches would withdraw from this work and that the Hostel would or could come into the market to be taken over by the College or any contributing body at a valuation.

Perhaps it is better to regard this letter as an informal invitation to interchange of views. If necessary, the matter could be stated formally at a later date after we have discussed it a little.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,




C O P Y .

12th December, 1923.

Dear Ndibongo,

Agnes Zibi has shown me the ticket you gave her with which to travel home.

This is a scholar's concession ticket, of which you used the part from Mqanduli to Alice, and you have told her it is all right for her to use it to travel from Alice to Mqanduli.

These railway tickets are not transferable, and Agnes Zibi is not a scholar.

What you have arranged is a fraud. In the number to-morrow Agnes may not be challenged. But if she is asked for her name, both you and she are liable to a criminal prosecution.

Even if she makes the journey without being challenged, you remain guilty of fraud, and of inducing this girl to take part in a fraud.

This is a serious matter for anyone. It is doubly so in a theological student.

I shall have to consider what further action I shall take in this matter. Meantime I await your reply.

Yours faithfully,



B. African Native College,
ALICE, So. Africa,
5th March, 1924.

31 December, 1923.

31st December 3.

Dear Mr. Mboniswa,
It was a great pleasure to read your letter of the 24th inst.
o/o A. A. Harrison, Esq., sent by you to Rev. J. Bennox, at
Bawa, BUTHERWORTH Station, to come to Fort Hare in February, 1924
to study ordinary College subjects.

Dear Mr. Mboniswa,
I discussed it with the Acting-Principal of the College, for if you
were to carry out your intention of coming to the College in February
you would require to come as an ordinary student. Mr. Murdock has
written a letter which I enclose telling you that the standard of
admission to the College will not allow of your being received here
in that way.

The only alternative that I see is for you to apply
to be admitted to the Lovedale High School. I wish to point out in
this connection that the Andrew Smith Bursary which would have been
available for you if you had joined the Theological Class in February
1923 was for a Theological Student, at Fort Hare, and will not be
available for you as an ordinary student at Lovedale High School.
The Andrew Smith bursaries for students at the Lovedale High School
are awarded after public competitive examination, and the examination
for the students that will join the next class next February was held
some months ago.

I am sorry to have to send you this discouraging
reply, but it is better to place the facts fully and plainly before
you.

I have not been able to see Mr. Coventry before
writing this letter, but I shall send it to him for his information.

Yours sincerely,



S. African Native College,
ALICE, So. Africa,
6th March, 1924.

Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
GLIMMURGH.

31 December, 1923.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

24.

Dear Sir, it gives me great pleasure to send you photos of our Hostel. There I have read a letter sent by you to Rev. J. Bennox, in (2) the French you state your intention to come to Fort Hare in February, 1924; and take up ordinary College subjects.

once in the Hostel must put out that the entrance qualification for view except students. If the Junior Certificate or some equivalent certifier of instruction do not hold such certificates, I regret to inform you that you cannot be accepted as a student. I shall be able to take twice that number. Yours faithfully, the College can receive is limited by the Dining Hall accommodation. We are hoping that this year a new Dining Hall will be begun. It will be adequate to the requirements of many year-acting-Principal. The crossing number of students in the College will help to fill up our own Hostel.

Everyone who sees the building is pleased with the plan, the manner in which the erection has been carried out by the Lovedale Building and Carpenter Departments, and the equipment. In the matter of the plan we were most fortunate in having a visit to the late Mr. J. Parker of the firm of Parker & Forsyth, architects, Cape Town. Mr. Parker spent a whole day with us, and discussed every detail. He was not only an architect of first-rate standing, but had had much experience in this particular class of building. Our debt to him is very great. He had passed away before we came to actual plans, and his partner, Mr. Alex. Forsyth, took up the work with a personal interest in it which we greatly appreciate. As practical proof he has done his work at a fee of 4% instead of the usual 5%. I wish also to refer to the excellent work done by Mr. J. Ferris O.B.E., and Mr. W. Gibb of the Lovedale Departments. The accounts are not yet finally dealt with, and I shall write about them later.

The accommodation includes (1) office, (2) library used at present as a sitting-room, (3) common room for the use of students, (4) bath room, (5) two lavatories, (6) two large dormitories (7) six study bedrooms, each capable of accommodating two or three three senior students, (8) a guest room, which can eventually be used as an additional dormitory of size between that of the large and the six smaller dormitories, (9) a room which I am using just now as a bedroom, (10) the usual service cupboard room, and (11) a latrine with septic tank.



S. African Native College,
ALICE, So. Africa,
6th March, 1924.

Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

It gives me great pleasure to send you photos of our Hostel. There are four views, (1) the front taken from the side (2) the front taken full on; (3) the back, showing the verandah and balcony; and (4) a group of the first students who have come into residence in the Hostel with me. There are glazed copies of each of these views except the last, in case you may wish to reproduce any for purposes of illustration.

There are 22 students in residence just now. We shall be able to take twice that number, but the total number that the College can receive is limited by the Dining Hall accommodation. We are hoping that this year a new Dining Hall will be begun which will be adequate to the requirements of many years to come. The increasing number of students in the College will help to fill up our own Hostel.

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Rev. F. Ashcroft.

As you see, I am occupying two rooms in the Hostel, and this is satisfactory enough as a temporary arrangement, although even my short experience of it is sufficient to show that the domestic care of the building and of the students' interests is difficult when I am here alone. A Warden's house is an essential part of the Hostel scheme, a principle which I believe the Foreign Mission Committee fully accept. Were there a Warden's house I would invite my daughter to look stay with me and take over what more naturally falls to a lady's care.

Knowing the difficulties of the Foreign Mission Committee at the present time I have issued a statement and appeal for funds for a Warden's House, and have sent this to a number of my own friends, most of them in this country. I have received to date £379.13.10 for this purpose, and this money is lodged in the British Refractor Savings Bank, King Wm's Town, in a special account called The Presbyterian Hostel Building Fund. I hope to get a little more, and I now report to you that this money at the disposal of the Foreign Mission Committee for this purpose. It would be inopportune just now when the F. M. Committee is passing through a financial difficulty to press for funds for a Warden's House, but in placing this money at the Committee's disposal I venture to hope that the question of a Warden will not be long delayed in the interest of the work which the Warden is expected to do. Warden's salaries of £450 are lower than those of most district ministers and probably are with kind regards, who have not the calls upon their time, and in addition their salaries have the benefit of their diocesan support. A man with a family would find a salary of £450 under the conditions of College life none too ample.

Yours sincerely,

I can represent this to you with the greater confidence because I am paying the £50 into the Hostel funds. For the sake of precedent, however, and for the sake of whoever may succeed me, I propose, with the consent of the Foreign Mission Committee, to regard this as an annual donation to the Hostel.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,



27th May

24.

Rev. F. Ashcroft, M.A.,
121, George Street,
EDINBURGH.

Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

Since our Hostel has come into being I am, like the other College Wardens, responsible for the oversight of the evening study of our students. When the College opened this at first was a College duty, taken by the College Lecturers in turn. When it was arranged that the Wardens should take it over, each in his own Hostel, the College agreed to pay to each £50 p.a. in respect of this duty.

In earlier correspondence I think it was represented that the Church could reckon as towards the running expenses of the Hostel on the capitation grant of £3.10 per student per annum and this £50.

At a meeting of our Hostel Building Committee where this special grant happened to be mentioned it was strongly represented that such a view would establish a wrong precedent, especially as the Wardens' salaries of £450 are lower than those of the College Lecturers, and probably are relatively less than those of most district missionaries who have not the calls upon them that we have here, and in addition to their salaries have the benefit of their mission glebes. A married man with a family would find a salary of £450 under the conditions of College life none too ample.

I can represent this to you with the greater freedom because I am paying the £50 into the Hostel fund. For the sake of precedent, however, and for the sake of whoever may succeed me, I propose, with the consent of the Foreign Mission Committee, to regard it as an annual donation to the Hostel.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

H. L. ...

