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New York, October 29 1859  
Rev. S.H. Marsh

Dear Sir,

On my return to the city I found your letter written from Boston and today has come through. Mr. Edgell the letter which you directed to Albany. Had it been received however in time for the meeting of the Board the amount which you have realized could not have been ascertained and of course could not then have been added to the Treasurer's Report – You say – “I have on my books two thousand one hundred thirty seven dollars and fifty cents – eight hundred of which is for three years.” This is ambiguous – Does it mean that the amount pledged for three years amounts during to the three years to \$800 – or does it mean that you have \$800 per annum for three years? Either way it really lowers the amount actually secured an unknown quantity

We wish those subscriptions so far as realized acknowledged in our forth coming Report. But in order to this we must have the items. The churches or the individual donors-- together with the amount received from each —And then our acknowledged receipts must agree with the Treasurer's Report.

The Board have authorized the consulting committee to add your collection to the Report of the Treasurer – by likely you will have made them out before this reaches you in answer to my letter from Albany. If not I shall hope to receive it immediately. You need not of course indicate what you have already reported to Mr. Webster.

Will you not furnish Mr. Edgell at Boston the total of your actual receipts – then he can add it in the accounts of the annual meeting which he will furnish to some of the papers.

If the records of the Society were in my hands at the present time I would furnish you with an extract from the minutes of the consulting committee when they first acted upon your proposed agency. This regarding a detailed Report including expenses-- My idea then was that at the close of your agency this matter should be considered and the right thing done. But your agency is still unprepared – and all therefore that is essential now is that you should acknowledge what you have actually received.

Have you had no collection from Norwich. A collection of \$40 or \$50 came from New London. Which Mr. Platt said was for Pacific University – but nothing was said about this when the money was forwarded. If it was meant for your intentions we will make it right here after.

There seemed to be but one feeling in our Board at Albany and that was to prosecute the work with renewed vigor.

Sincerely  
Yours

Theron Baldwin

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