

Mr Sterling Ky 12 20
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Rev E W Badinger DP

Dear Bro.,

Thanks for the check which came in a time of need. If no slip between the cup & the lip next Xmas will find our Church out of debt & in time pressing forward the work of our Synod. I am much encouraged with prospect & pray God to prosper our plans. I hope this will be the best year in our Synod's work.

Wishing you a Happy New Year

Yours Sincerely

I D McElroy

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Dec 29, 1887



Rev E W Burdiger D.D.
Anchorage
Ky.

Dear Bro Wm Sterling Ky¹¹/₁₂
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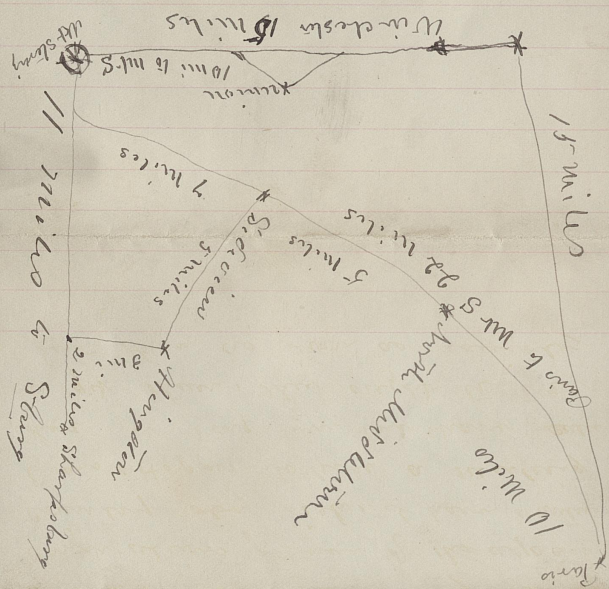
Your favor to hand.
Thanks. Can I have 2
x Woppers Feb or March -
not later than March
x Feb if possible -
If I can have them
will pay the Com.
\$50 - per week for their
services for two or three
weeks. Let me hear
as soon as practicable.
You have my prayers
x cooperation in full -
The Lord bless the work
in your hands -
Very Sincerely
J S M Ely



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Rev E W Bevinger DD
Anchorage ^{MS}
Ky

With an area from Paris to Washington
 to Mt Sterling to Glasgow many no
 Presby Union church except little
 one at Union & a "little" one at
 Hingson. This Territory includes
 some of the great prairie lands
 of our state. Hingson stands
 as a beacon. You know where of
 things at 8-10.



Mt Sterling Ky Nov 19th 88

Dear Doctor Beecher

Hingson church
 will "kick the bucket" if help
 is not given it at once. The
 Episcopians have built a little
 house at side view five miles from
 our house at Hingson there is
 Sabbath school & preaching twice a
 month in afternoon by Sunday
 of Mt Sterling. They have only one
 family in that community but
 hope to gather in some of our
 people from H. "Sheep without a
 shepherd" no elder at H. but
 several families of Presbyterians
 a wide field possessing larger
 congregations in some of the adjacent
 country very rich. I have wanted
 Evans & Hopper to hold a meeting
 there for long time but have failed
 to get them. They ought to be
 sent there as soon as possible.

before weather & roads are
bad. The sooner the better -

Dr. Blanton has informed
me that the Committee want
Cooper to give all his time
to Salem, Labor, & Ford. If so
let me suggest that Charles
Crooks be put in charge of
the field consisting of Morhead,
Frenchburg & Hingston. He
can preach at these points going
up Friday night until June 3,
then let him live at Morhead
or Frenchburg, let him preach
at Hingston twice a month
in the morning & afternoon of
same day at side view in
the School House. I regard this
as a promising field & the
tion is in view. H. E. & H.
will hold the meeting at once
& think \$200 could be raised
in the H. field for pastor's
salary & good prospect of
immediate growth. If I
could see you I think I
could impress you with the
importance of this matter.
The "map" on other page will give
situation of the field.
Let me hear what chance for
this move.

Best wishes for your greatest
usefulness. May this be our
most successful year -

Very sincerely

J. S. McCreary

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Mt. Sterling

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Rev G W Budgeger WW
Anchorage
Ky



LOUISVILLE KY.
MAY 11 1886
TRANSIT

Dear P. B.

Henderson Ky Oct 28/84

I notice that my church (Mt Sterling)
is not on the honor roll in your report
as printed in the Observer of last week.
How is this? I care not for myself but
it will be discouraging to the church to find
after meeting their apportionment that they
are omitted from the list -

I have some work here - leave for home
on morning train

With affection & sincerely
J. S. M. Eddy



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Rev E W Bevinger D D
Anchorage
Ky.

Mt Sterling Ky Oct 3 / 84

Rev E W Bedinger DD

Dear Bro

Your favor
to hand. I congratulate you
on your success in behalf
of our Evangelistic Cause -
You must not forget that
I promised the additional
\$50 - from my Church on
condition that Evans & Hopper
or Guernant would hold a
meeting this fall at Hingslon.
The meeting has not been held
& I have no idea that my
Church has raised this \$50. -
but I send my individual
check for that amount. What they
lack I will pay & that will be
so much well invested. Ek 11

I hope we will have a
full & enthusiastic meeting
of Synod.

With best wishes

Your Bro in Xt

J S McEvoy -

I expect that meeting to be
held at Kingston before the
winter sets in. Don't forget!

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days return to Box 414
Mt Sterling Ky.

Oct. 3, '89



Rev C W Beringer Dr
Anchorage
Ky.

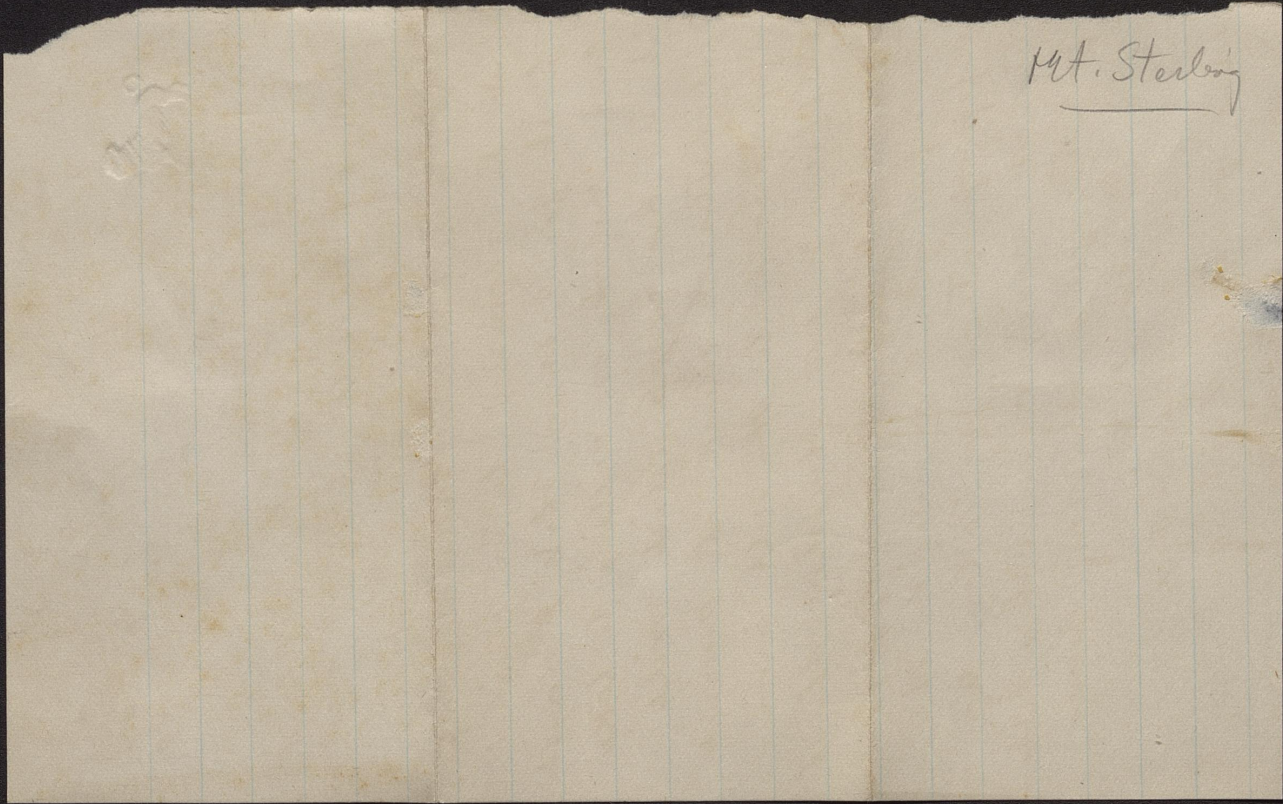
Mr Sterling Ky 5 27
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Dear Dr Beringer

Just home & find
your favor of 4" to hand. Hingston
is in West Lexington Presbytery &
was included in Patton's group
but he requested to be relieved
of it for reasons that I thought
good. Hubert is willing to take
it in his group which will
fit better. I think the amount
appropriated to H- will be
sufficient as Hingston should
raise \$100. - for his support -
I hope you can make the
appropriation for Patton as
he is needy & no other help
for his field is very poor -

Sincerely

J. J. McElroy



Mt. Sterling

Millersburg Ky Jan 7
/89

Dear Doctor Bevinger

Doctor Blanton has written me of conversation with you & suggests recall of my promise to hold your meeting in Feb. - Dr B says you will release me to understand my situation & want me to go where I can do the best work for our University. I go into the meeting as though that was the only thing & then I work @ U for all in sight but of course I must if possible hold meetings where something is in sight. I will give you a few days sometime during the year but at present think it best for the cause to cancel my engagements. I do so with regret but \$100,000 is a big undertaking & it must be raised

If the Lord is willing Let me
hear if this is agreeable -
We are having a good meeting
here under adverse circumstances
Oardon pencil

Sincerely,

J. S. McElroy.

letter is private for the
present - I will write
you again shortly -
The Lord bless you in
your great work

Aunt

J. S. McElroy

We declined to place call
in Dr Bartlett's hands -
I hope we will have a
good meeting here -



Versailles Ky
Nov 27/89

Dear Dr Bedinger

Your favor of
25th to hand I expect
Mr Wilson is the man
for the field - For several
season not necessary
to mention I think it
best that you do the
corresponding &c - If he
is an unmarried man
& can be secured for
\$750 - I believe the field
would be self supporting
from the start. You do
what you think best & I
will approve for my
Presbytery - Get him at
once if you can - The
sooner the better -

My Collection last Sabbath was better than I had hoped & my hopes are generally high enough. Some \$95. - subscribed on before next Oct. I will get the other \$30. - . As soon as I get home I will have it forwarded to you.

Mr. Patton who has charge of the Scott County field "Oxford, Baysboro & " asked me yesterday if he could get a part of the appropriation made to his field. I told him I would see Presb. asked your com. to give \$200. - to this field same as last year - I think it will soon be self supporting. What can you do for -

As to myself I cannot answer definitely just now for the reason that the path of duty is not clear to me. I am facing the question to continue my work for University another year or to discontinue that work ~~at once~~. I am fully alive to the importance of the work, its pressing necessity on the one hand but if I continue I must resign my Chancel. They not willing to "lend me" any longer & insist that I shall return to my charge. You can see my situation. If I remain with my Church I will be ready to arrange with you after Jan 1. This part of my

Mr Sterling Ky
Nov 22/89

Dear Dr. B. Singer

Your favor to hand -
I am sorry we are to lose
Frank & do not know where we
can get a suitable man for
the Morfield^{er} field. He must
be gotten in that right early.
We have already lost ground
at Hinkston by our delay.
The Episcopalians have done
are doing just what I have
all this time insisted they
would do. We will lose the
field altogether if we do not
act promptly. I am worried
at Evans for not going to H -
a year ago. If he waits another
year it will not be of any
use to go at all.

By the ~~proposer~~ uniting of
Union with Morfield & Hinkston

I will have to look elsewhere to give apart of my time to supplement the salary of this Church. As you know I gave up Springfield to make the Bath County field self supporting & that arrangement should not be disturbed - I now give up Union to make another field - I was preaching to Union afternoon of two sabbaths a month & they paid one fourth of my salary. You & other members of the Committee have said you wanted me to go into the Evangelistic work. Now could I arrange with you to give to the Evang. work one fourth of my time as you might want it during the year & what salary would you allow me? I would prefer this arrangement for two reasons; 1st could as I have been doing give to this Church practically my

whole time by getting my pulpit
supplies while serving the Com., &
I feel that I could do more
good by giving some time to
Evangelistic work than all my
time to the pastorate -

Please write me at Versailles
Care of Dr. Root. I begin a
meeting for him Monday night -

Sincerely

J. S. W. Celvey

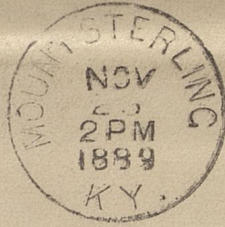
P.S. I will take collection tomorrow
hope for full amount \$120.00
but don't be surprised if it
should fall short. If so I will
give another pull before Sep. 1st.

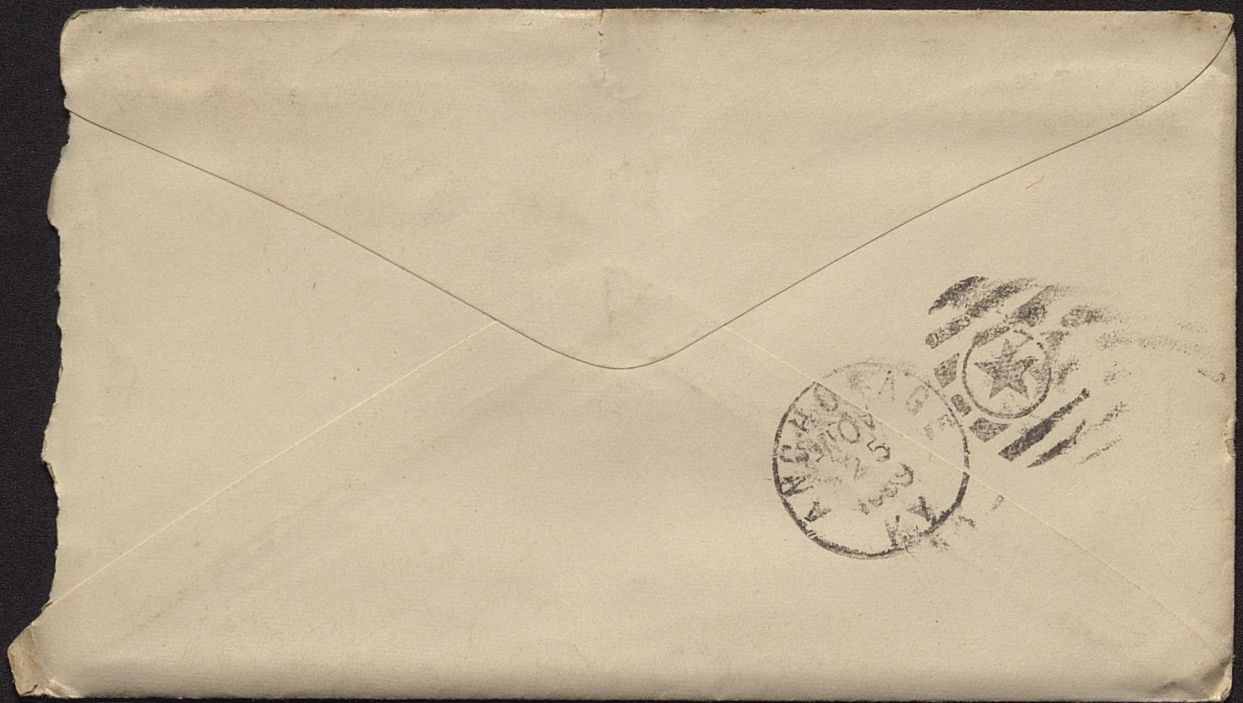
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Mt Sterling
Letters from J. S. McElroy

Per C. W. DeSinger Dr
Anchorage
Ky.





W. Sterling Key May 4 / 89

Dear Dr. Bidinger

The Presbytery of
West Lexington instructed
me to write your Com.
for an appropriation of
\$200- for Rev. Patton who
has just taken charge of
churches of Oxford, Bethesda,
Cherry Springs or until the
fall meeting of Presbytery -
I think I wrote you on
this subject but have heard
nothing. I hope you can
see your way clear to do
as Presbytery desires -

Bro Boggs of Abbeville
Presbytery thinks it advisable
for Bro Hubert to give his
time to Olive Hill, Washhead

I enclose chks for \$50. — from
Mt Sterling Church. & hope for more
before the meeting of Synod.

+ Clay City. Agreed to be
united with another field
in his Presbytery. I am
authorized by Presbytery to
cooperate in effecting this
arrangement provided it be
agreeable to your Committee.
Bro Boye's figures are as follows;
Olive Hill Subscription \$125. —
Morehead " 25. —
Clay City " 100. —
Synod's Com. now gives to
Olive Hill & Morehead } 350. —
Cabeneger Presbytery's Com. 100. —
West Lexington " " 100. —
\$800. —

I have suggested that Bro H.
give also one Sabbath to
Hindston which will I think
itself raise the \$100. desired
from our Presbytery.
What do you think?
Sincerely J. A. Elroy.

Int Sterling Ky 4/12/89

Dear Bro

West Lexington Presbytery
which adjourned today instructed
me to organize the Churches
of Oxford, Boyers, Batherson,
Cherry Springs & Kingston into
a group, secure a minister
at once & apply to the Synod's
Committee for \$200.- to sup-
plement his salary until
fall meeting of Presbytery -
We rec'd from Cumberland Church
Rev Patton & he is ready to begin
work in this field at once -
The amount asked for is put
at the lowest amount possible -
We will probably not need the
appropriation after this summer.

Sincerely
J. S. M. C. Erby.

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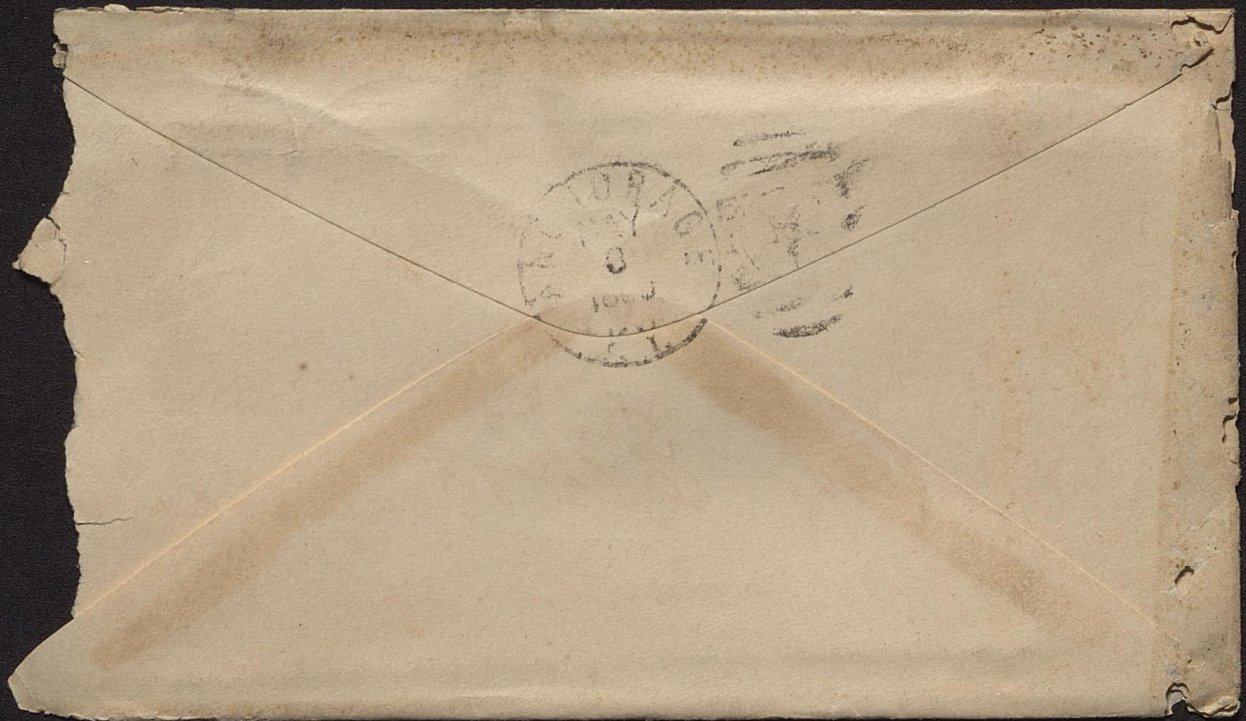
Ans. May 4th 1889

May 1, 1889

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Rev C. W. Berlingford
Anchorage Ky



Mr Sterling Ky Nov 16
89

Dear Dr Besinger

I wrote Dr ~~Shaw~~^{Shaw} to lay
before the Com. a plan by which
more field, Hinkley & Union shall
be united in one field. I
saw Evans yesterday & he says
this was approved by the Com.
& that the arrangement could
be made if the man could be
secured. He agrees with me
that Frank Besinger is the
man if he will accept the
work. It is a very promising
field & I hope you can get
Frank to take it. If you
fail with him get some
other good man as soon

as possible - This is a case
that demands haste - It
is one of the most important
opportunities of our Com... -
Important in many respects.
A rich field that can soon
be made self supporting, in
a rich country with large
range & ~~important~~ very
important by reason of
the influence it will have
on our contiguous churches.
By all means press this
matter.

Pardon my urgency but I
am on the ground to realize
the nature of the case -
The Lord bless you in your
arduous labors of love -

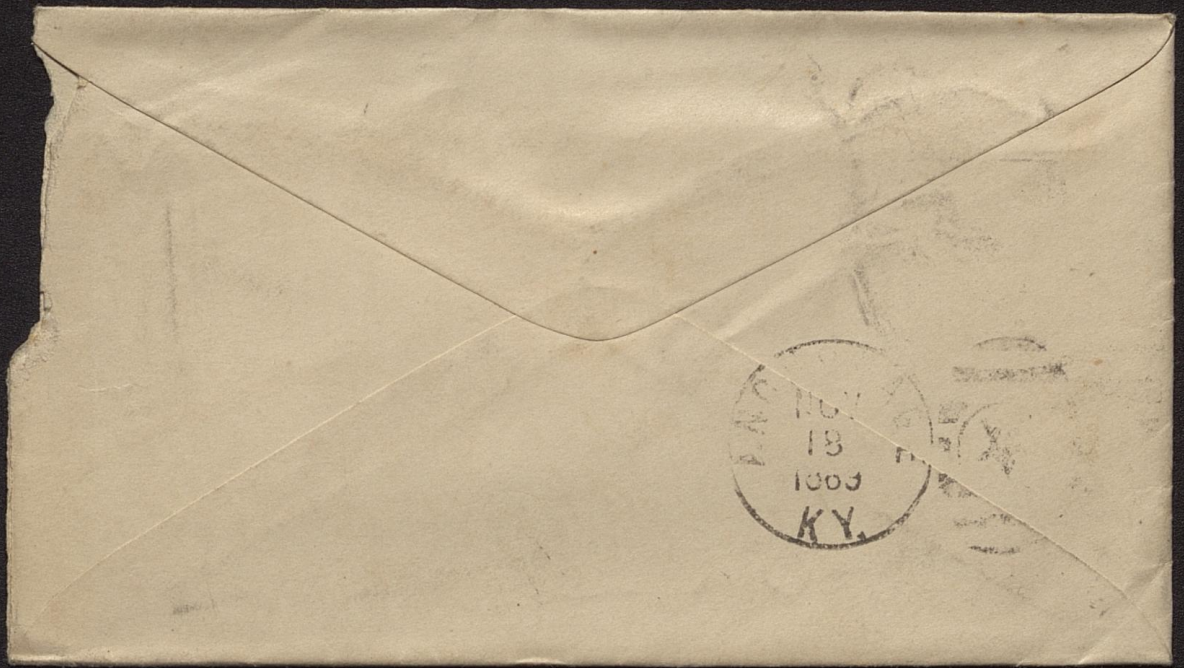
I have not rec^d any
of your leaflets for my
people. I will take the
collection the 4th Sabbath -
Sincerely
J. M. Crosby

D. S. McElroy Nov 16th and 22nd



Nov. 16, 1889

Rev E W Bevinger D D
Anchorage
Ky



Dear Dr B - Beattyville Ky 12/17/91
I received meeting at
St Helens. ~~Thursday~~ night with
some 30 additions (Matt 13:47)
I will preach here until Sabbath
night & try to raise enough to let
contract for house. Some chance
but not bright prospect. I will
do best I can under adverse
circumstances. Love hear from
you in haste I S M



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Rev E W Livingston DD
Anchorage
Ky

7H I Mill Lex Ky 7-24/91

Dear Dr Bedinger

I enclose postal from Col Moore. I fear things are getting a little mixed. My action with Bro Bigstaff was based on the official act of Presbytery & the election by the Presbytery's Committee of H. M. & it must stand. We must most of all & want especially Bigstaff for just the work he will do in our Mountain fields. We have been trying to get him for almost a year past & cannot allow him to slip us now. We cannot spend \$500.- to better purpose.

I hope you have heard from Bro Laird & that the salary of Bro Lippitt \$1500.- is provided for.

Will Hawthorne preach at Moorefield the 1st or 3rd Sabbath of August.?

I hope this will find you in fine spirits & of good courage.

Sincerely I S McCreary.

Bro McElroy, your letter in reference
to Bro B. is at hand, I cannot
do much myself now, as I have
others in the field, so do not
expect hardly anything from me,
but the Committee or De Pelizer
may give him the salary.

Winchester 14 June
J. H. Moore

July 20/91



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Mill street {
Rev J. S. McElroy
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Col Moore P. Card.

Rev E W B. Singer DD
Anchorage Ky.

LEXINGTON KY
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A. L. Wheeler,
Attorney-at-Law

Beattyville, Ky., Dec 19 1891

Dear DWB -

I could raise \$400. - here now & would let out the contract but for the condition of the Saw mill. \$100 is a note given ^{to Dunn & Jamison} by the Glauwicks & which they would accept in payment of the lumber but I am afraid to let them have the bill as everything they have is under execution & it might give us trouble. The mill & lumber will all be sold Dec 28" after which the way will be clear for us. I saw Mr McGuire this morning & told him if he would give us \$200 to be paid Jan 1" I would let out the contract. He said he would furnish the lumber after Dec 28" if we would pay him for same all except \$100. -. He will also deduct the subscription of Mrs Jamison \$100. He will give another \$100. - before the house is completed if he is managed right. I have seen other parties & can count on \$100. additional besides some \$50. - in the treasurers hand - If I can possibly do so I will return here for you the first week in January

x Sub this work on its feet. We can get
all the lumber here except the few ends -
Shingles here are \$3.50 to us which is about
as cheap as we could get a more indifferent
shingle delivered - If you are in Lexington
next week I would like to see you & talk
the matter over. If you know what day
you will be in Lex write me that I
may be at home - I will leave here
Monday morning. Congregations are small
but getting better each day. This is one
of those fields where to reach the masses
you should have a couple weeks for work.
I have been preaching almost entirely
to Christian people on Christian duty &c -
I have not given an "invitation" but
will do so tomorrow - Will be greatly
surprised if any response. This is not
a strong faith is it? Well I confess -
Write me at Lexington -

Substantially & Sincerely

L. L. Estey

I enclose my account for which you can
send check to Lexington -

LLE

JAMESON HOUSE.

C. L. DORMAN.

BEATTYVILLE. KY.

Ans'd - Dec 26. 91
Rev. J. I. McCleary

Beattyville



Rev C W Bedinger 10
Anchorage
Ky.



ANCHORAGE
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155 E Maxwell

Lexington Ky 5-14

Dear Dr Medinger

Your cards to hand - Make
appointment for me to begin at
Evangelist about 1st Sabbath of June
If the meeting at H - knows what
I hope & pray for I will not be
able to get to E - sooner than
1st Sabbath of June - If otherwise
I can notify Bell to give notice of
earlier beginning of meeting at E -

Sincerely J S M E Crox



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Roxington

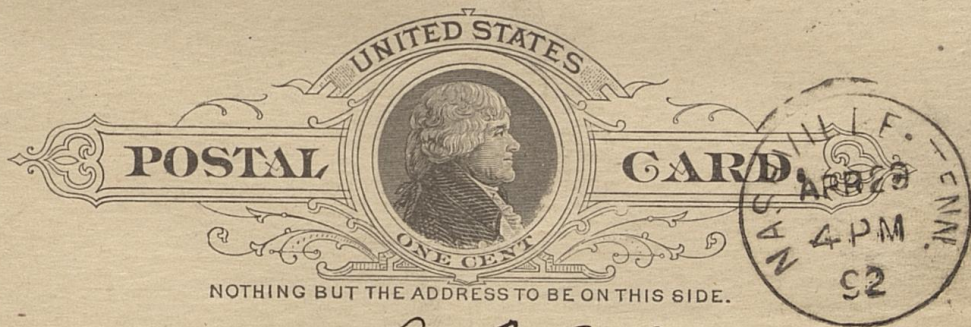
Rev E W Bedinger DD
~~Strom~~ anchorage
Mr. Mackin C. Jeffersville Ky

Nashville Tenn Apr 29th 1892

Rev E W Bedenger

Dear Bro. We closed meeting at
scottsville wednesday night. Glad
only 2 additions to our church
Hope one or two more will join
ours or some other church. I will be
home probably on Monday & ready for
other work. I have to preach in Franklin
Tenn on next sat, by agreement. Yours
in haste

A J McCloy



Rev E W Bedenger
Anchorage
Ky.

Light

153 E Maxwell

Lexington Ky 7-8/92

Dear Dr B. Singer

You have I think a full set of minutes of the Assembly & hence I trouble you to bill & return me the enclosed draft, I am thinking of giving the public some facts & figures showing the error of the statement that Synodical Evangelization is injurious to Cause of Foreign Missions - I don't know that I will be partial but I want the exact figures

Please return blank at your earliest opportunity & oblige

Yrs Sincerely
A. M. Elroy

161 E Maxwell

Lexington Ky - 4-11/92

Dear Dr Bedinger

I understood you to say that you would supply salary for Licentiate Irvine as Colporteur under direction of his father for the summer if you had this money - If it meets your approval I will engage him at \$25. per month & I will send you my check to Evangelistic fund \$100.- about Aug 1st - I hope this will be satisfactory - Let me hear as I appreciate the importance of our committees working in unison -

Sincerely
J J McElroy

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Send in person *Apr 12.*

Apr 11, 1892



Rev E W Bedinger &
Anchorage
Ala.



ANCHORAGE
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KY.

Dear Dr. Bedinger
Jackson Ky 5.12.1892
Your card to hand & sorry you made announcement for Erlanger
so early. You & Dr. Blanton have short memories - I told you both
that I was compelled to go to Norton middle of May. Dr. B. came
Saturday & again I told him I was compelled to go to Norton from there
at his request I wrote Norton stating your urgency for meeting
at E. immediately or suggesting exchange of dates. He replied by
telegram "Meeting begun - cannot postpone - come at once" -
must go. I have engagement to meet Mr. Smith at Cythiana Monday

in regard to selling Leeburg Mause & I go to Hopkinsville
Tuesday or Wednesday. I am very sorry for this misunder-
standing but it is not my fault. Either the memory of Dr B or yourself
must bear this blame. I will go to Co. & do my best as soon
as the Lord shall dismiss me from Hopkinsville. Meeting
closed here tonight & I go home tomorrow. We had 21 additions
on Methodist F. Most of ours very desirable. The Lord exceeding
good & I consider the additions not the larger nor the best part of his
blessing. Organized Ladies Missionary (H & F) Society with 20 members
This church will call a pastor for half the time & pay the salary \$400 to \$500.

The farm control of this community & diligently cultivated it will
prove a fruitful field in many directions - Dr Blanton has
doubtless told you of Sawyer's arrival & our desirous to
him about beginning at Hindman - I think well of him - I
hope the arrangement can be made for well as suggested for
his sake & for sake of the work -
Pardon writing material - People in bed & my paper all
consumed - Write me at Lexington -
Sincerely
J. M. Edroy

PARANCO

Hopkinsville May 6. 92

Dear Bro Willey.

Yours is at hand.

I am disappointed about the time.

You wrote me you would be with me between the 10 & 15: This I advertised from press & pulpit.

In view of the failure of the other service I wrote you to come just as soon after the 10th as possible, & I have announced that you will be with me next week. In this direction I have begun my preparatory prayer services. In view of postponements of both Churches, from Feb unto date, other delay will be unfortunate. If at all possible give me an earlier date than the 15 or thereafter. Come by the 10th if possible.

Every thing you mention in yours
as suggestive has been or is
now being done.

Unless there is importunate need
for you remaining at Jackson
I feel that you ought to come
to my assistance.

The Methodist people postponed
& postponed until they lost
their service; we have, partially
dependant upon them, also
continued our services from week
to week, and now I dislike to
take up the old refrain & say,
"Bis Melroy, who was expected
about the 10th inst, will not be
able to see with us until after
the 15th."

Please write me immediately the date
I can announce you, & be kind
enough to make it just as early as
practicable. Most truly &

W. H. House

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R.P.O.

Rev E W Besinger D.D.
Anchorage
Ala



ANCHORAGE
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P.M.
1892
KY.

155 E Maxwell
Lexington Ky 8-26/92

Dear Dr Bainger

I enclose check of \$100.-
for Evangelists Fund - I hope you
are full of hope & good courage.
Kindest regards for Mrs B & family.

Sincerely & Truly

A S M Crosby

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155 E. Main Street
Lexington Ky

Aug. 26, 1892



Rev C W Binger
Anchorage
Ky

Dear Dr 73-

Lex Ky 7-9-64-

How soon can Hooper hold a
Meeting at Cherry Springs. The Com-
mittee you know passed favorably
Upon this matter last Nov. We hope
he can go there next month. The
early part if possible. I will spend
some days with him & hope we
can get that work in good shape
Please let me hear at earliest
convenience - Yrs & vcl S M Eling

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United States of America
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Rev. E. W. BEDINGER, Chairman,

ANCHORAGE, KY.

Bedinger

Maxwell Street Manse.

159 SOUTH UPPER ST.

I. S. McELROY, PASTOR.

Lexington, Ky. Sept 14 1894.

Dear Dr Bedinger

Our committee instructed me to write you a most urgent request that Dr Guerrant or Uncle Joe Hopper be sent at earliest day practicable & before the inclement weather of now to hold a meeting in the Liberty Church, Bath County -

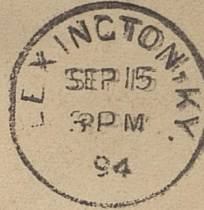
Rev Logan Irvine has just taken charge of Flat Field & his winter work will depend largely upon the re organizing of that church -

I cannot give all the reasons for request in a letter but the case is in the judgment of our committee urgent.

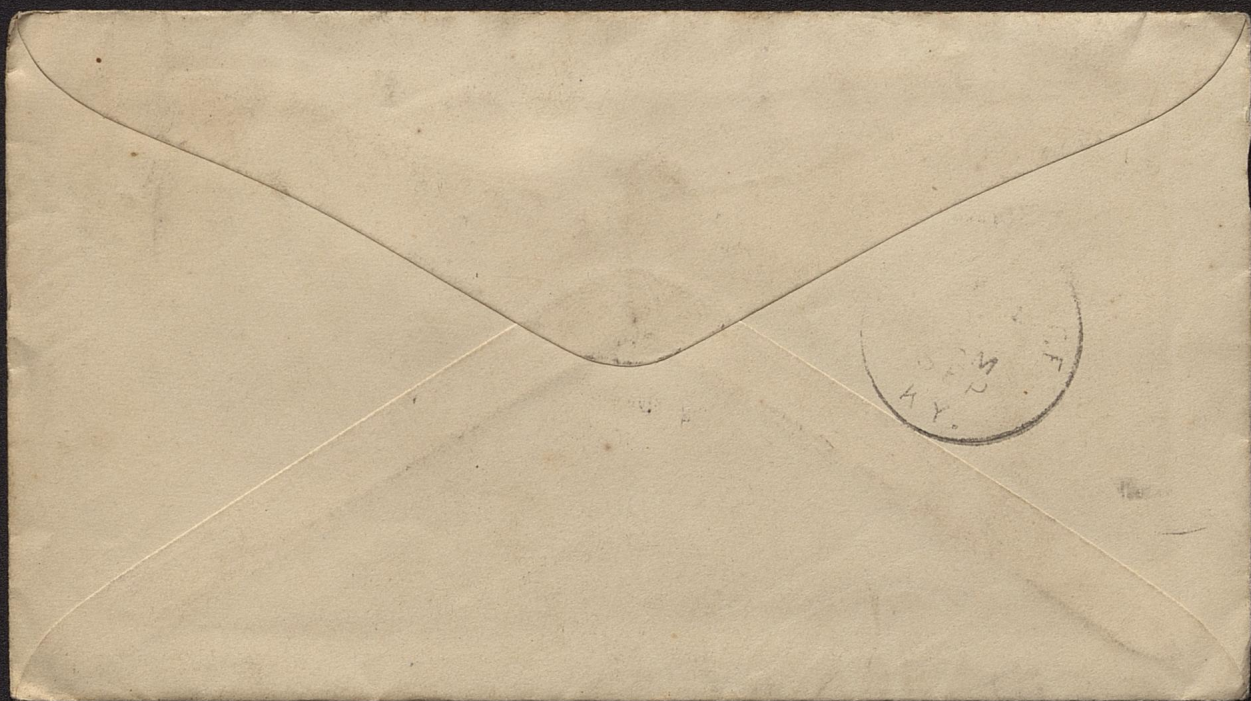
Yrs Sincerely,
I. S. McElroy

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159 S Upper
Lexington Ky



Rev Dr E W Bridgman
Anchorage
Ky.



Maxwell Street Manse.

159 SOUTH UPPER ST.

I. S. McELROY, PASTOR.

Lexington, Ky., Sept 6 1894.

Dear Dr B -
Yr favor to hand enclosing
chk. Many Thanks -
You will find my chk in
this with best wishes for success
of your work -

Uncle Joe ought to be sent
to Girard in Bath County for
a two or three weeks meeting before
the winter weather comes on -
The church is almost without
an organization owing to deaths,
removals & neglect.

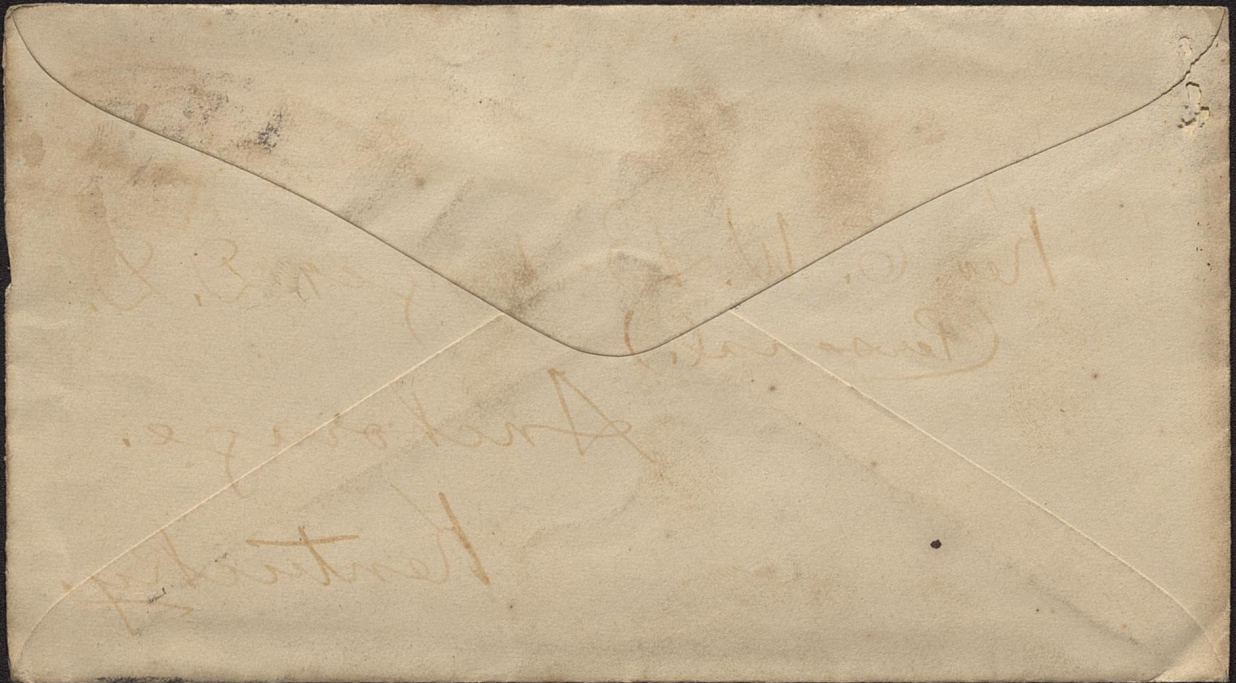
It is in charge of Logan Brown,
I promised him to do what I could
to have Uncle Joe sent there this fall.
I am improving but not myself.
Yrs Sincerely I S McElroy -

If not called for in ³ days, return to

159 S Upper
Lexington Ky



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I. S. McELROY, PASTOR.

Lexington, Ky., Aug 31 1894.

Dear Dr B -

I returned from meeting
at Clay City yesterday. began
meeting Monday 28th

I was sorry I could not
until Saturday as I had intended
but by my thoughtlessness I contracted
a severe cold Monday night that
settled in my ear, giving me a
constellation of small boils in that
sensitive organ.

The Morning Congregations were
small but at night they were
good even when it was raining.

There were 5 additions Tuesday
night & 4 Wednesday night & 1 to the
Campbellites.

I think it would have been better
to have held service at night only
& have employed the days in house
to house visitation.

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Bro Irvin is doing a good work
there & has a wide influence. - Of
course everything is depressed & ..

If you will send
check for \$80.- Salary & expenses &
send you by the next mail my
chk for \$100.- Contribution to
the Cause -

I am suffering with my
head & hope you will not
find fault with the brevity
of this report.

Yrs Sincerely
I. S. McElroy