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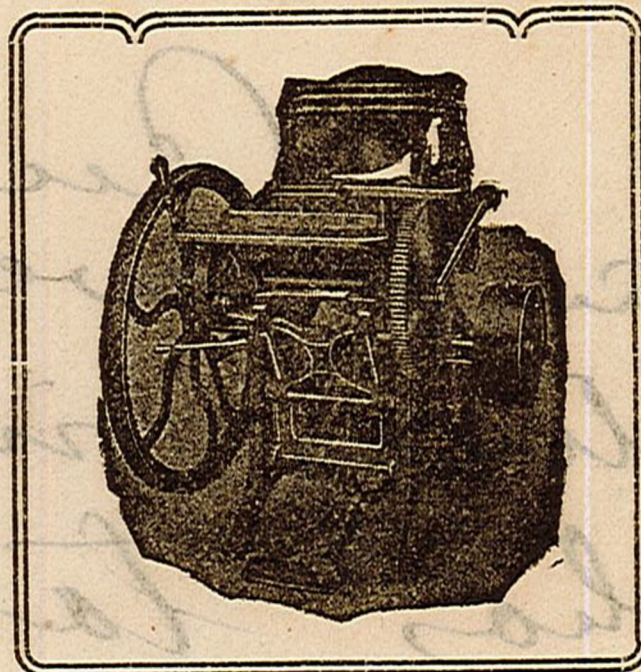
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Leon, Méx., Sept. 4th, '09
Dr. R. J. Willingham,
Richmond, Va.

My Dear Brother:—

I know you are wondering,
that is, if you have time to think of
us, how things are going and why
I have not written.

My answer is that I have been
too busy for anything more than
the absolutely necessary corre-
spondence. I was almost sick
and had to take to going out
none, so with the work I am
compelled to do and my outdoor
exercise I am kept from wri-
ting. I have reaped a great bene-
fit from the new order of things
and am in good health again.

And now Mr. Frances has come and we are expecting Bro. Martinez in a few days. Mr. Frances has taken hold splendidly and I feel he will be a great help in the printing plant.

I want to avail myself of this opportunity to thank you and the brethren of the Board for the interest they have taken in our work. I feel that God sent me to Mexico for this very work and am happy to see it go forward so well.

We have finished Dr. Frost's "Memorial Supper" and it is now in process of binding. It is going to be a great addition to our literature.

But the end is not yet; we must keep on and build up a literature. We are greatly pleased with the interest the native brethren are showing in the work we are trying to do.

A Cuban brother, J. V. Cora, is translating for us Dr. Eagers Book "Romanism in its home," and a native



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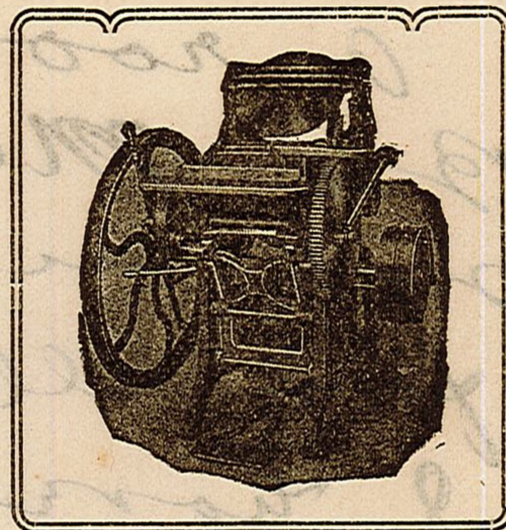
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Mexican preacher, Donato Ruiz of Hermosillo is translating Dr. Foster's "Moral Dignity of Baptism." Others are helping us.

But the matter I want to call your attention to most is the situation here now. Bro. Neal had a contract on the house he lived in and it is binding on us for about a year more. This is the house we were wanting to buy. As I told you before the Printery is in a part of that house. It adjoins the house we live in. Now what are we to do? We do not want to move in there as it now is and yet if we keep on here in this house we will have to pay rent on the two properties. Bro. Clark will come in November I suppose and will be entitled to

a room and I agreed to give
Bro Martinez a room. There is
not enough room in that house
for all of us and the printery.
I have been waiting to see if the
Board was going to buy the house,
but I am about to despair again.
If not, I would like to know before
long so I can get a longer lease
on the house, or we cannot afford
to move the printery. I am not
sure that we can get a longer
lease. What are we to do? I think
rather than to undertake the job
of moving the plant, I would
quit the business and go off
to some other field and work.
If only you could imagine how
hard it is and how expensive, I
think you would ~~if possible~~ buy
the house, but if not, please let
me know and I will try to get
a better arrangement with the
owner.

I am going to help the church
at Toluca in a meeting ^{beginning} about the
20th of this month. Pray for us.

Fraternally

J. E. Davis
Come to our Convention in Guadalajara Oct. 13-17.



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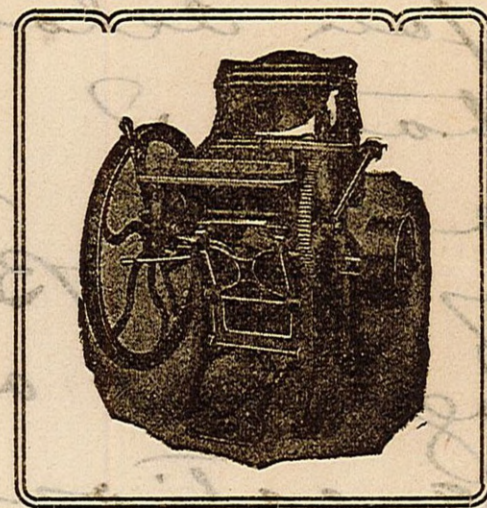
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Toluca, Méx.

Sept. 22 - 09

Dr. R. J. Willingham:

You wrote me some time ago
wanting to know how Bro. Porter
was getting along. If I answered
you, I said I did not know, as I
was a good ways off from him.
I have been here several days
in a meeting and I am finding
out some things. My dear Brother, why
do you not enforce that rule about
missionaries taking examinations?
I have been here nearly 5 years
now and never have taken an exam-
ination and nobody else has taken
one in the South Mission. That would
cut off such men as cannot or will
not learn the language. If you
desire to know more about the
matter write me assuring me that
it shall be purely personal or perhaps
I should say private, and I can give

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your details, but I want it understood that I am not wanting to violate a rule which I once did ignorantly of the Board. If this is a complaint against a brother, it is in reply to your question.

The other two matters I want to mention are as treasurer of the mission.

(1) Has a missionary the right to buy property a long ways from his work and live in his own property which would probably rent for \$10 or \$12 and collect off the Board \$50.⁰⁰ per month rent? Such is being done in one case. Please advise me at once.

(2) Have I the right to send the amt. of appropriation to any one when I know it is being used for another than the purpose for which it was designated by the Board. Such is being done in one case.

Now you will want to know what I mean and without accusing any one, but as treasurer, I know that Dr. Hooker lives out in the country some 10 or 12 miles from Guadalupe but on an electric R.R. line. He has his property there and is getting \$50 rent for it when it could not



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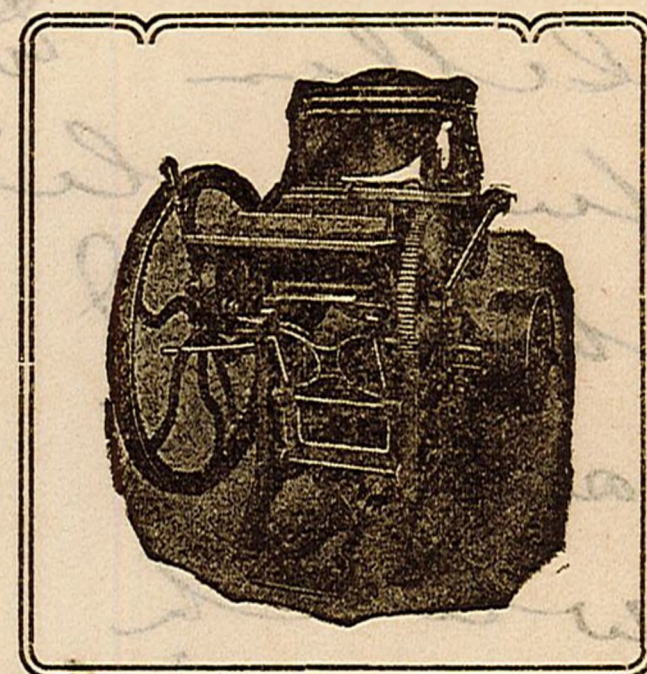
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be worth more than \$10 or \$12 if I
am not mightily mistaken. You
may know this as it has been
going on over a year. But if that
is the case and it is just, I would
like to do likewise and get you
to buy me a piece of property.
Still, what I want to know is
what I should do in the premises.

Mrs. Hooker draws every month
the \$66.66 Mexican for their school,
and she admits using a part of
it to sustain a girl or two here
in Folmer school. Their school is now
going on now, but they draw just
the same, and are not paying
a teacher to hold her, as the teacher
they had last year is not in their
employ now. I merely want to know
whether I should pay it knowing
these facts. Please advise me. I
don't think you should send any

letter to them and cause a great
fuss like once before happened
here. I have to get along with
all. If you approve of these things
which I suppose you have done
or certainly they have written
you about it, then authorize me
to keep on paying the appropria-
tion and it will be O.K. If you
should write them about it, and
anything should necessitate my
substantiating these facts, I am
ready to do it and every member
of the mission knows them as
well as I do.

Brother, I am awfully sorry about
that debt. I will ~~be~~ patient but I
don't think I will ever move that
printing plant again. It was that
that got me down last spring and
summer as much or more than
anything else, and now it would
be harder to move than then. I am
going to try to get a longer lease on the
house, as our contract runs out in
about 8 months, but when I told the
owner what you wrote he did not
like it at all and I fear the consequen-
ces, but I will do my best. If it comes
to a "showdown", the mission can elect
another director of the plant and let him
move it wherever he may see fit. I am not
meaning to make any threats or anything



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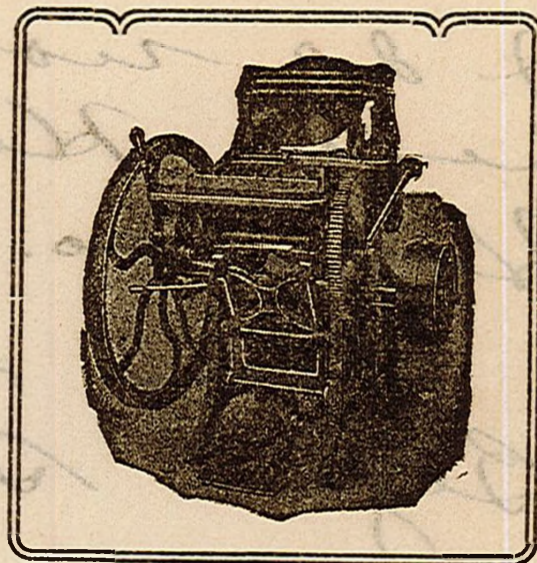
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of the kind, but I do not think I will
stand responsible for another
more. If I had a little money
I would buy the house and hold
it, but I cannot do it.

He will take \$5000 Mexican down
and the rest just whenever we want
to pay it. When I go home I am
going to see if he wants let us
pay the rest in monthly payments
without interest, and write you
more fully. I do hope you can
manage to buy it as we are going
to be thrown out into the street
I fear. Will write you more fully
when I get home.

I like Franco, our new man
at head of printing plant. We are
now open for work and are
getting some in—considerable I
hope to cut down running expenses
by earning more. He is a fine man
as far as I can see.

Martinez has not yet come and

I do not know when he will get here. He says within fifteen days. Hope so.

Our meeting here starts off nicely. Began Sunday. Last night one young man asked for prayer.

There are a whole lot of things I want to write you but will have to wait till I know more about them - I mean some more definite plans.

Our Convention meets within a month. Wish you or Dr. Potter could come and be with us.

Wishing you God's richest blessings and the greatest possible success,

I am Yours for Mexico and
all the world for Jesus

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