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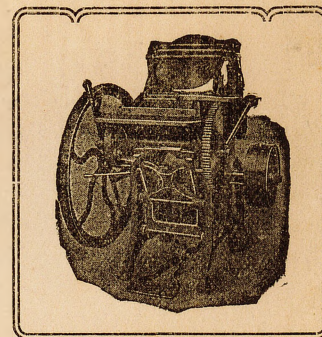
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Dr. R. J. Willingham,

Richmond, Va.

My dear Brother:--

Your kind letter of inquiry came to hand yesterday. I will try to give you some idea of the matter in hand. I was waiting for developments before bothering you with the matter, but as you ask to know I will give you the facts.

Some time ago I was in Toluca, and while there heard that Mr. Brewer, the General Missionary of the New York Society had said that he would like to see me and talk with me, as he thought we should consolidate the papers, if a way could be worked out satisfactory to all parties concerned. On my way home, I went to see Mr. Brewer, as I had the larger part of a day in the City. After some other talk, he mentioned the matter and asked if there might not be some way to effect the consolidation of the papers--I refer to the paper called El Cristiano Bautista, published as an Associational paper but the last year helped some by the New York Society. I told him that I would think the matter over, and proposed to see if we could not arrange the matter. The editor of their paper was in the Convention in Guadalajara, and also Mr. Brewer, and they took me off to one side and asked about the matter. I told them that I had figured out a plan that I thought would be easy to arrange, as our Board would approve it, I was sure and that there need be no great delay in getting that move made.

THE PLAN SUGGESTED TO THEM.

We to take over their paper and list, and obligate ourselves to fill out all unexpired subscriptions of their paper, not paying them a cent for their list more than what it would cost us to fill out their subscription obligations. In turn, we are to have the entire Business Management of the paper, and are to allow them to name some of the editorial staff--half the editors. This was what I proposed to them, and they took the matter under advisement. That was Saturday. Sunday Mr. Brewer told me that he thought there would not be any trouble in arranging the matter and thought they would accept our proposition.

Accordingly I asked the brethren of the S. Mission to have a called meeting and I laid the matter before them and they approved the matter, authorizing me to consummate the business, giving them the right to name two editors, and I to name two editors, I retaining the management and financial direction of the paper. They gave me the right to change the name of the paper, as I thought best, as it seems that the Cristiano Bautista people would like a little change in the name of the paper, perhaps calling it El Bautista, The Baptist.



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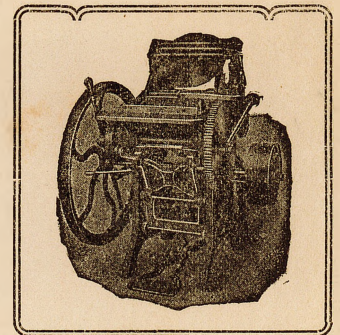
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They have some of the best men in our denomination in the Republic. The present editors of the paper they publish are Alejandro Treviño and Ernesto Barocio. They also have another man who has helped us a great deal in our paper and publication work--Teofilo Barocio, of México City. He translated Short History of the Baptists, and The Memorial Supper for us.

It will make our paper much stronger and give us a pull that we do not have now. I think that this a good move and the brethren were hearty and unanimous in their approval--I mean the Mission.

I presume that Mr. Neal gave you the record of the meeting we had in Guadalajara, and that is what you refer to in your letter. I do not suppose he opposed the matter, as he was present and said nothing against the plan.

I am going to suggest a plan to you that you might be considering for the present. We need a first class man--Mexican brother, here, and must have him to correct and edit and translate. That man, I feel is Teofilo Barocio, pastor of the Baptist Church in México City. I think the New York brethren would agree perhaps to give him to us for this work if we went at it in the right way. I am convinced that Bro. Martínez will not fill the bill very long. He is a fine man and a good preacher, but has had no experience in this class of work. Barocio has had large and long experience. Of course we would have to give a missionary salary, but he is as good or better than an American missionary--better here in this work.

I am sure that if you think there could be any objection to him, you would have that thought changed by investigating him a little. He is pure gold. I wish you would take this matter under advisement and write me what you think of the move. I feel that it is time that we were putting our Mexican brethren that are proven, to the front, and this man would certainly fill the bill. He is pure gold, I repeat, and this statement would be bourn out by all our brethren.

Say, the brethren are wondering what the Board has done for next year, and are writing me to know, and we are anxious to know so we can lay out our work accordingly. But, alas and alack, I know no more than they do. Have you cut us out of the list? Please let me know.

We are all well and busy, busy, busy. Cant get it all done, and so have to let a lot go undone. This time last year I was beginning my long siege in the Hospital. My, my, I am glad it was last year and not this!

Must close. Best wishes. When I know more about the business of the consolidation, will let you know.

Lots of Christian love,

J-E. Davis