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Rev. T. B. Ray,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Brother:--

I have your two letters. Thanks for same. Glad to hear from you after being shut off from the outside world for so long a time.

Well, I was in León about June 5th for a day, but on account of the impending crisis came back as soon as possible. Finally came the crisis, the lines were put out of commission, and there was no mail nor telegraphic communications for nearly a month. There are no trains yet. Your letters got past here and were caught up at that end of the line, so they had to wait for a long time to get out of the trap they fell into, but finally some three days ago a military train got through and brought mail. We were glad to hear from León, as we had heard many rumors about its having been sacked. And sure enough it was, and it must have been terrible.

When the federals retired from the city, a few Constitutionals went in, but Orozco refused to surrender, and revolted when Huerta resigned. He was in that State--good grazing for him, as it has not suffered like other parts, as both federals and constitucionalistas had left us pretty well alone. So, the day after the Carrancistas went in, Orozco attacked the town, and as there were so few to defend it they could not hold the town, so retired leaving it to the Orozquistas. About seven p.m. that same night, Aug. 1st, they began the saqueo. It lasted all night. They burned many houses, and destroyed what they could not carry off with them.

Well, the Lord was with us. I can not doubt it, as León is one of the most fanatical places in all Christendom--or, was, not many years ago. My house they did not bother at all. They went into the printing plant, or rather the office, and threw down the safe but could not open it, they broke the typewriter--I don't know to what extent, as they wrote me that it was inutilizada, put out of commission, so I don't know how much damage was done to it, and broke my Dictionary stand that was in the office. They scattered the papers in the office all over the floor and went into the plant and scattered a little type about, but seemingly it was very little, and they began work again on Tuesday. My! but we are thankful. It has been due to the Lord's interfearence.

I am going to León on the first train, so as to get the last Expositor out for the last quarter. I have all the lessons written, and they have three ready to print, so we will get it out again in two parts as the last time, and there will be no interruption.

They promise us trains within four or five days now.

I note what you say about the allowance made by the Board for the native pastors, that is, on account of the exchange. We will do what seems best under the circumstances.

Thanks to the Board for allowing me to use a bit of the travelling fund for my trips down here, or back to León rather.

We are well, except one of the boys has measles but not bad.

Fraternally yours,

J. E. Davis

Will get up something for you about the publishing about as soon as possible, and hope it may be of some use to you in the work.
Truly J. E. D.