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Eld. W. C. White,
Grandville, Australia.

Dear Brother, -

Your letter of Oct. 16th written from the camp ground at Ashfield was received a few days since, and was read with interest as was also the copies of the manuscript. You omitted, however, to send a copy of your letter to the G. C. A., but I presume I shall see this on reaching home. I have been absent for six weeks, visiting our institutions in the West. I spent eleven days at Healdsburg College, and I know you will be gratified to learn that the present outlook there is very encouraging. Although a complete reorganization was made it seems to have been done so far as I can observe, without creating any ill feeling. I think the real facts in the case are that the institution was allowed to run without interference until perhaps the brethren saw that we did not intend to force any changes upon them and yet they could see just as clearly that the institution was falling behind our other schools. The new management appears to have the confidence of all the ~~brethren~~ brethren, and they are very free to say that the changes are for the better. The extremely hard times have seriously reduced the attendance, but the workers of the conference are making vigorous efforts to interest the young people of the state in the College and its work. There was considerable sickness in the Home while I was there, and I learned for the first time that this was not a new thing. It seemed to us absolutely necessary to provide more sanitary arrangements about the premises, and we decided to introduce changes in this direction. The expenses will not be large but the improvement will be great. The work in general in our institutions seems to be prospering, and I am quite encouraged by the attendance and general outlook. I note your invitation to visit Australia after Gen'l Conf., and it has been suggested to me once or twice that I might possibly be asked to make such a trip as you outlined. If it is for the best interests of the work that I should do so I should of course be willing to undertake it. But as a matter of choice I think I could arrange other work which would not take me so far from home, and which would be just as agreeable. I shall endeavor, however, to hold myself subject to the advice of the brethren in all the work.

I am glad to receive so encouraging report of your camp meeting and hope the results were all that you anticipated. I have felt considerable anxiety about your school enterprise and am still waiting with interest to learn what you decide to do. I know it must be a matter of very great perplexity to you, and earnestly hope that you will have special wisdom for the emergency. I shall be glad to hear from you, and hope the next mail will bring us some definite word. Please extend my kind regards to your mother, and say to her that I am very thankful indeed for the instruction contained in the matter which was sent me by the last mail. I am

trying to make good use of it, and I am sure that it will be very helpful.

With best wishes for yourself and all the workers, I remain as ever,

Yours in the work,

C.B.H.

M. H. Prescott.