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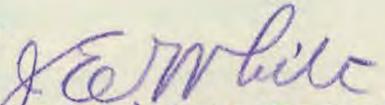
Eld. L. T. Nicola,  
Battle Creek, Mich.

Dear Brother:--

I have your fav. of recent date, containing dft. for \$25, for which accept thanks. I would like to keep it very much, but it would not be right. I have written you that I have given an order on you in fav. of Capt. A. T. Orton, for the balance due him, to be paid to him as you would have paid me. I MUST get along in some way till this is paid, and I am sure the Lord will arrange matters in som way, for he always has. The work on the boat is practically finished, and with the income from my books it will not take long to pay out. As it now stand I have no source of income whatever. Others have orders for the royalties on my books, and now Capt. Orton has an order for what there will be coming from Gen. Conf. I have \$40.00 to car ry me two months, so far as I can see. But I know the Lord will supply all my needs.

I shall not move the boat or undertake any new work till financial matters change. I am now visiting among the people, and writing, and can employ my time to good advantage. I have a fine boat that has proved itself safe and powerfull, it is roomy, and can accommodate a whole mission, with church, school room and reading room combined, and as soon as the way opens I am ready to put into the work. It may be that some opportunity may open for it to do some work for a few days, and if it does, a week's work of a boat of this style will run the work for a long time. But I do not want to put the boat into any business if I can avoid it. There is other work for it to do. I hope your end of the line will be prospered, and that the present difficulty will be soon passed over.

Yours in the work,



P.S.--I have returned the \$25.00 yo'u sent to Capt. Orton. Please see that it is endorsed on it when it is presented to you. J.E.W.