

Fort Wayne Ind January 19<sup>th</sup> 1846

Dear Mr Mitchell

Above please find a draft on Phenix Bank  
for 224<sup>93</sup> Dollars together with Certificate of deposit in the  
American Exchange Bank No 11 for 7178<sup>07</sup>, which together will  
make 4000 dollars, the amount necessary to pay my draft on you and  
by you accepted Jan 27/31 past. This remittance will pay up all that  
I have asked you to accept this winter in that general letter of adv.  
I have still some large payments to make before this month is out, and  
may find it convenient to draw on you again, if I do I will  
inform you. The Certificate of deposit has been sent over by Mr C Y  
Wimple & Merchant in Cedar Street, near your old office, to pay Taxes  
for him I have done it from my own funds here, and receive  
this as a good remittance, saving thereby the 1/2% Exchange which  
our Bank charges on all Western drafts.

I received your tract entitled "How shall I understand the scriptures" and am much obliged to you for it. I think it most excellent and the best I have ever seen on that subject, so good that I inclose it with a polite note to our Annschule Minister who only the evening before had, as I was told, announced to his congregation, that though he was a hearty true Member and had assented to the Confession of faith of that Church, yet he believed it contained things which he did not believe, that he intended to tell his Synod and Presbytery the same, and that henceforth the Bible should be his only Creed. I could not help but think that in the meeting of that Council ~~the tract~~ with the help of this tract, that he might yet find the Church, since the circumstance appearing so opportunely I could not let them escape me, and sent him the tract, and I hope much you may come to him from it. In writing to Ebenezer West I asked him to get you to send me 10 or 12 more of the same kind by mail, as I hope to make good use of them.

My letter Cecilia has been quite well again this winter, and  
has not yet fully recovered. Though much better, we can scarcely hope  
for her long continuance in this world of sorrow and pain.

We have written for a new Clipperton. See Charles Platt  
of Rochester, and am anxiously waiting an answer. Rachel & Lotie  
go to Mishawaka in the fall after Easter.

Business moderate at present

Yours Respectfully

John A. Bailey

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