

Dayton, Ohio, Febr. 6, 1912,

Dear Bro. Howe:

I confess that I am tending toward Rev. J. H. Alwood's position on the African Mission. There can be little doubt that Bouthe, in Liberal hands is a sink of iniquity. Wilberforce is in heart a polygamist. Joseph Wilberforce lured Constance to that land, abandoned her, and she sank from innocence to abandonment. The Superintendents, and the Liberal Board, wink at sensuality.

What better is Danville? Wilberforce was a polygamist there, as he has been ever since. Christopher patched up "a trouble" by

a concubinous marriage, Becker had two wives. The students at Danville will talk as pious as saints in public, and privately indulge in the most obscene conversation!

The Superintendent, for the past two years, is a rattle-box of loosely sticking principles. You are sending out a successor, that even Dr. William Dillon regarded of doubtful morals here. May he prove better.

Are short terms for Bro. Stoltz, and Miss Winkle to sanctify the mission? Is a pure man, like the builder of the Rest-home at Bonthe, to be goaded home by the garulous Superintendent? Are we raising Africa to our standard, or lowering ours, as secretists do?

Is it not time for the Executive Committee to change its attitude? Is it not a genuine conversion of the Africans, not mere form of morals, we should seek? "Educate them right and they will be moral." Educate the Devil right, and he will make heaven out of hell.

"Ye must be born again." Send them a genuine revivalist. Morals alone will not do. They may have "a name to live", while they "are dead!"

Missionary work is soul-saving work. It is not the mission-houses, Mission-homes, and the nice talk about Becker and others that we need. It is not the money and the show that we need. It is souls converted, and then educated, that is wanting.

You see that I have not abandoned Africa, but am tending toward Dr. Alwood's position. We need a renewal in our African mission.

Your brother,
Milton Wright

P.S.

We must abandon Flickinger's policy. It is not the wisdom of men (learning), but the power of God.

M. W.