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Dr J. D. Garner

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Dear friend

Thy letter of 28th ult was only received a day or two ago: it will be laid before the next meeting of the Executive Committee, when some action will doubtless be taken. I think it not unlikely that they will also be disposed to publish thy report with a view of enlisting the aid of others who at present know little about it. In making up such a Report it is well to remember that a certain amount of detail is necessary to give character & interest to it. Totals & aggregates alone are looked upon as dry statistics, & might apply to any work in any part of the world as well as to the one in question.

There are a few points in thy report I want to call thy attention to. The total receipts are stated at \$995. & expenditures at \$1105. The balance being \$110. of which thou paid \$25. & the debt outstanding is stated at \$75. showing an error in one of the amounts. Several of the items of work done are stated in such round