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sincere effort is quite lost. That good will follow upon
your faithful discharge of duty, though your eyes may
not be permitted to look upon the ripening harvest -
There is a holy calling - to the ignorant, the poor,
the friendless - you carry the good news of glad tidings -
to you it is given to unfold the mysteries of heaven -
may commissioned angels assist your instructions,
and prompt to the utterance of convincing truths.

With prayers for your success in all pious minis-
trations, and for blessings enriching your daily life's
experience, I am yours in the bonds of Christian
fellowship,

D. L. Dix."

The Clerk reported that the following letter had been
received during the past month from the Prison Discipline
Society of Boston, enclosing a donation of \$10.

Boston May 13th 1847

We have the pleasure to inform you that in
pursuance of the great objects of the Prison Discipline
Society, the Board of Managers at their last meeting
agreed to place at your disposal, and respectively at the
disposal of others similarly situated the sum of ten
dollars, to be expended in advancing the interests of your
Sabbath School.

In doing this the Board recognize, with deep interest,
the value of this instrument of usefulness. They regard

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it as possessing a reflex power: and while it benefits the
prisoner, as doing good, also, to his friendly instructor. Its
advantages however they considered as hardly developed, and
are desirous of ascertaining so far as is practicable, its happy
effects, especially in relation to the discharged convict.

For this purpose they request a free and full commu-
nication of facts, in relation both to the past history of
your school, and to your present efforts and prospects: and
would suggest the forming and keeping of regular records,
in order that annual reports may be made of whatever
is interesting and important.

We ask a reply to this communication at your
earliest convenience; and with our best wishes and
prayers for the progress of Prison Discipline, that it may
with God's blessing accomplish the desires of good men,
we are

Yours very respectfully,

Wm. Jenks.

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Our early reply being requested, a number of Friends
were assembled and the subjoined reply prepared and
forwarded.

Baltimore 6^{mo} 2^d 1847

Respected Friends,

Your letter dated 5^{mo} 13th has but
just been received, which must explain our apparent
inattention to its interesting contents. We have very