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Rev. M. W. May
Oct 1846
answered

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Miss M. W. May
Oct 7

Rev. J. B. Gentry
Columbus,
Ohio.

Received
Oct 1846

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Milford Oct. 7th 1846.

Dear Bro Gentry,

The present conference year has commenced, and I find by looking over my files that I am in debt to you a letter, and I don't like to be in debt to any one, but especially to a good old creditor such as I esteem you to be, as I have always been your debtor. You came to conference, and entered your sack, and was off before I knew it, and it almost seems like missing the pleasure of your presence at the conference. Well, I suppose that from your Third Story you will look down on all below this year. I hope you will have a good year, and have all things ready for the Sanhedrim to meet at the great Chateaufort a year hence. but who shall live to see that convention of Gods Ministers? We seek before those that may be called to die this year for the solemn change. We commenced our Campaign for this year last Saturday, and Sabbath in the City had a pretty fair start, and are looking for a general break this year. The Covington people kick tremendously against Bishops Souls new P.E. They say out that they will not support him, that they did not want a mountebank, but a man. So far as I can learn the great pro Slavery Conference did not go off so well as

was expected. They held their missionary meeting
in the Saul Chapel. and after advertising in
all the city papers, ~~Mr~~ Bruce told me that there
was not more than a hundred persons present.

Bishop Andrew Stoddard preached for them
on last Sabbath, but it was no go. He made
his quarters at Judge M's, he has been very
gracious with their Conference. How will he
do for a big President? I fear he is rather too
much tinged with the weal.

Now my dear Chief, I hope you will find
it in your heart to write soon and give
me all the news. You see that the world's
evangelical alliance, is likely to be one of the
greatest affairs that has taken place in the
Church, in the present Century. My love to bro
Maady tell him that his Southern friends, took
in high indignation, the act of our Conference
declaring that they had withdrawn. Heaven
bless you both, is the prayer of
M. Maylay