

No claims on you we have a special interest in this question. And we have a strong hope of a large church here of 75 or so who will be new beginners and from the stories that have been circulated they will all want to see you. but we will not count our fish too quick. Do I desire to know Bro White as soon as possible what your convictions are in regard to this matter and where the meeting should be held.

I would suit our people best from the middle to the last of September. Write soon in regard to this matter and I will repeat what I said last summer, "Bro White do come"

Our meetings in this place thus far have been very successful. We are holding on a little just now as we are in the midst of a heavy harvest and it is awful hot. There are many satisfied of the truth, but don't know whether to obey or not. How we need the power to bring them out. we have strong hopes of from 50 to 100 here. There is one question Bro K. wants I should ask you & Dr W. about. The everlasting shoe-does question what shall we do when we go into a place where our churches to preach the truth, where our brethren and sisters would like to come. let them come and bring this trouble and question upon us too soon when every body is watching so intensely, or tell them to all keep away. all the right time comes, or if they do come, how then wear long dresses, or if Dr K. should come should not she wear a long dress for awhile. It has been rather a perplexing matter for us here. but so far we have kept on back.

I wrote you both a letter awhile ago. I don't know whether you read them or not. Oh how glad I shall be to see you in the State this fall. Do be careful of yourselves. I beseech you and use the Secretary. & spare yourselves. for the cause sake. You will know how glad I should be to hear from either of you and if you have any reproofs, or encourage me for me I feel I need both sometimes. I often think of you ladies & pray the Lord will bless you. write soon yours truly Geo. J. Butler

So in Butler, Vermont I will also tell our convocation meeting. If you can't come she will come along with you.

Geo. J. Butler  
Remember me in your affections & prayers.  
Dimit this in behalf of the State knowing that angels are angels in this matter.

Geo. J. Butler  
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Dear Bro. White

I embrace this opportunity to write you upon a matter which is of great interest to the friends of the cause in this state and to myself. viz in regard to your visiting the State this fall with Dr W. at our convocation meeting. And I write the more hopefully because of the success of my efforts last fall and its excellent results.

I wish to correspond early enough so that you may not have other engagements that will interfere with your trip here.

That you may see the importance of coming I will state a few facts:

We have all expected from your encouraging remarks that you would certainly be here this fall. If you should not, the disappointment would be very great.

Last Spring our conference was the smallest

to my dear Washington & Mrs. Butler

for years. because farmers can get away  
better in the fall. but mainly because  
you were expected this fall and I know  
there is to be a general turn out the biggest  
probably there has ever been in the state  
if you come. but if not - the result of  
feeling I fear will be bad. Our churches  
are so scattered that - we can't expect they  
will come out unless the meeting is to be  
an important - one. People will not come  
from 75- to 165 miles unless they expect to  
be well paid for it;

with the help we have in the state. we of  
course should not think of having any  
conventions <sup>meeting</sup> at all. Bro Cornell declines  
acting any prominent part in such a  
meeting in view of what has been shown  
in regard to his plan of labor. And you  
know I could not do anything. we should  
be glad to have Bro Andrews come. but I  
cannot find out anything in regard  
to his being here. So I must of necessity  
fall back on you or our meeting go by

default. Our churches are all doing  
entirely without labor for over six months  
that the tent may run and bring out  
souls. You must see they will need  
assistance in view of the past. & in  
view of our destitute condition by this fall.  
And we would like much to have you labor  
a little with us as you have been doing for  
two years in Mich. and other places where  
they have four ministers at least to our  
one. Remember the poor souls in Iowa Bro  
& Dr White. all I believe in a position now  
to be benefited especially by your labor. Did  
you tell me last fall that you would do  
it? Ah! yes you did, Bro White will make  
his word good. At least I am going to believe  
he will. Now I don't want to kill you with  
over labor. but you must let steer Michigan  
go a little while and come over and help us.  
With all the labor they have had the  
Michiganers can't need help so bad as  
the Hawkeys. Excuse my frankness,  
From your Associates for know if we have