To the Board of the Baptist State Convention:

Dear Brother,

Your missionary for the year and vicinity must report for the 3d quarter of the present convention year, ending January 1866. Much has been done, and much more remains to be done. Your missionary, J. M. Black, has never labored more earnestly or devotedly in the Master's Service than during this quarter of the year. Your missionary's mind and strength is absorbed in and earnest effort to establish a home of worship, a literal Christian home, a workshop for the Baptist friends of laborers in B. Rivers.

Your missionary was appointed
Itation he has invariably sought—God's blessing and direction not only upon his days' labors but almost in individual cases of this work. That is a Marvel in our eyes, is God's work to Him be all this precise. Then the time for commencing the work came. Your Mission—Ary's name was placed last of the building corn, in which office he was far more reluctant to serve than as Chairman of the corn on solicitation, but instead of his brother, with final Conviction that all his force must be thrown into And continued in the work until its completion was absolutely essential to success. The accepted had been labors in gathering material, employing women, collecting money, following the same of supervising the work until he is able to report. A stone of brick found aci 3x574p-with a closer 11x12.4. Completed. A wood from a cypress under the cotton main part, with the soil
Tobacco growing about the walls, with the foundation laid of the building being finished today. The Carpenter & Joiner is under contract for $200, and Bill of lumber is nearly filled - 1000 boards & scaffolding only wanting. I think. Eighteen hundred shingles good paint are paid for on the ground. The Architectural plan of our house is similar to the Unitarian Building house of this City & a Spin only being added. Plus expensive finish of Audience Room. Every dollar collected thus far with the exception of $10,70, every dollar paid out. To far as your Missionary knows has been by himself. The prospects for the future are good. One hundred fifty dollars has been paid new to our Builders & to be paid upon my return to B. Rives. This work which P.S. arrangements is to be paid by the order of fifty which I ask upon your precedence for this Quarter if you
Judge me to have been faithful in the one hundred dollar debt granted at the last meeting of the Board.

As yet I have had no money on the God's order granted. Can you not in some way help me to fulfill this? My circumstances are miserable. Our Church promptly raised a subscription to your Treasurer Mr. ? and appropriated by your Com. For fields what they have done for my support and for their house of worship. Thus raising have raised and paid for various purposes of benevolence upwards of $130.

I speak of this not boastingly but by way of report to this Body which we feel has a right to know many things pertaining to Churches as well as Missionaries assisting which do not always enter into similar reports. After all this we hope to do more pleasing in the Summer.
Weeks of labor 13
Sermons preached 20
Prayer Meetings attended 13
Services held 4
Anonals
Distance travelled 2340

Attended the Meeting of our Association 100 miles away at least 10 times in the S.S. Every Sunday & of the 5th year
D.H. Lombard
Missionary of the B.C. State Convention for 3 Rivers

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