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[Written on Testimony Publishing Company letterhead]

Mr. Lyman Stewart,
Security Building,
Los Angeles, Calif.

My dear Mr. Stewart:-

I am glad that you are pleased with the first volume of “Testimony” and I hope that God will enable us to make every volume even better than the last. Are you sure that the word “missionary” was not in the “Foreword” of the volume which you received? I find that it is in the copy before me just after the word “evangelist” and before the words “theological professor”. I thought that the title had been placed on the edge as well as on the side, for I had so ordered, and was surprised to find that it was omitted. Mr. Stephens evidently did not quite understand what I meant, but the next volume will have it in the right place. The manuscripts I have selected for the second volume are as follows:-

I. “Justification by Faith;” by Dr. H. C. G. Moule, Bishop of Durham, who I learn has the ear of England and Scotland as no other man has.
5. “The Testimony of the Monuments to the Truth of the Scriptures;” by Prof. George Frederick Wright, of Oberlin University
7. “Fallacies of the Higher Criticism;” by Dr. Franklin Johnson.

Dr. Franklin Johnson was once connected with Chicago University, but is not now, and we shall not mention the University in connection with his name. To those who know that he was once connected with the University and has been really cast out because of his loyalty to the truth, his article will be all the stronger, and those who do not know it will not be affected by it one way or another. I know of no man better fitted to write on the subject than Dr. Johnson and his article is very strong. Sir Robert Anderson’s article on Christ and Criticism will be considered by some as very severe, though I have toned it down a little. Dr. Elmore Harris, gentle as he is, and Dr. Torrey both think that it ought to be published. It certainly is the truth and when truth is severe, we cannot help it. I am so busy with many important things that I find it difficult to do very fast work in getting out “Testimony”, but after

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all, it may be very much better for the volumes not to follow each other too close together, but rather to give time for each one to be read and digested before the other arrives. Doubtless one every two or three
months would be better than one every month. I am sure that you remember in prayer daily all who are connected with the work, and I hope that you will suggest to your friends to do the same. Cordially yours,

A. C. Dixon.

[Handwritten by Dixon in bottom margin of page 3 of the letter]

Would it not be well to give two addresses in the next volume for “Testimony Publishing Co.” 808 La Salle Ave, Chicago and Bible House, Los Angeles; so that people may order the book from both places. Or will it be best to have just one set of workers at 808, La Salle Ave, Chicago. The Bible House can of course keep it on sale as we hope many bookstores all over the land will.