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Rev. D. I. Jeffrey
Tourane, Annam

Dear Mr. Jeffrey,

For some time I have been intending to write you about various outstanding matters, but have seemed so taken up with other matters that I have neglected to do so.

Perhaps the first thing is the marriage of Mr. Thai next Saturday. I am too late with stating my views of this marriage, but still it may be as well to write a line or two. I would have strongly preferred that he remained single while a student at mission expense. His value to the mission is not certain, by any means. His latest letter to me in which he writes in a most conceited manner, boasting of the number of ladies whom he might have married, etc., filled me with repulsion and I have not replied to it. He surely needs this conceit knocked out of him, and I would advise you to have no mercy with him along this line till he does reform. I would have gotten the folks here to have a subscription and send him a wedding present, but this letter finished that for me. I do not know just what to do personally. Perhaps we will telegraph him a few dollars to reach him in time before the wedding.

As to the renting of the two houses. The Church committee elected consists of two Annamese and two Chinese with the preacher as ex-officio with myself. It was this comm. that pushed the matter of changing the location of the place. I have since told Mr. Quoc that he can go ahead and rent monthly the new place being built on the lovely boulevard near the theatre, but only one of the houses, and not two. This will cost the mission five dollars more monthly, being \$35 instead of \$30. However the location will be considerably better, and perhaps the next missionaries may try and rent the next door store. When Mr. Quoc leaves Tonkin for school it is going to make a lot of difference in Haiphong. Last week he moved to Hanoi, but he is to go down each week to Haiphong for the Sunday meetings for both Annamese and Chinese.

As to Mr. Thuy coming to Tourane. I have received a refusal from Mr. Sheppard. Of course the whole thing is very unusual and perhaps too much to ask. I realized this fully, but thought it best to take the risk of a refusal. I feel that I have now done my best for Thuy and Martin and the Bible Society in the matter. It would have been the making of Thuy and would help him to get along better with Martin.

And how about the revised catechism? I have heard nothing further of it. We need the mss. in Hanoi right away to print a new edition. Kindly have it sent the earliest possible.

I am glad that you have met Mr. Kien, the old organist of the Tourane Catholic Church. He is a really saved man and very earnest for the truth. We had many precious hours with him at the time the work was closed down.

The quicker the rules and regulations are sent the better. Our Hanoi Church must have them and send them in to the government department concerned. It is not absolutely necessary, but it is best to be on the safe side.

We have just been compelled to change our school teacher; that is, the senior teacher. By the end of this month we have to prepare a statement of our school, number of scholars, hours and curriculum of study, certificates of capacity of teachers, etc. Most unfortunately neither of our teachers have certificates in due order, therefore we have had to get ~~another~~ another teacher. Most providentially three weeks ago a fine young man, son of the assistant station master here in Hanoi, was converted in "the old fashion way." He was leaving yesterday for Bac-Ninh to teach in school there, but Mr. Quoc happened to mention that we needed a teacher for the school who had a certificate, and this young man volunteered to let the Bac-Ninh school go and come to us. He is on fire for the LORD, and we all feel that the LORD has worked in this matter. You will surely like him when you meet him. He failed in his Brevet exam. last July and is preparing again for next July. However our hope is that he will go on in the LORD and go to your Tourane school. Mrs. Cadman and I are prepared to invest in such a young man. Therefore pray that the LORD will use him in our school and make him a blessing to the students, and also that he may go on in the LORD and be led to attend Bible School.

Now I must close as the dinner is ready. Mrs. Cadman joins with me in sending our kindest regards and best wishes to one and all in Tourane, praying that GOD'S blessing may increasingly rest upon the work.

Yours in HIM,

J. C. Cadman

*M. S. + Personnel see you soon to get table apr.
Luis will send you a statement soon.*