My dear Madam

You note by Papers received this morning I returned home yesterday & I enclose you Mr Ritchie's letter I received at the time the Box of Bibles came He does not mention having forwarded any pocket Bible, nor did I see any one differing in size from the usual kind but as of course I delivered all to Mrs Lipscomb Downes who found them all right I should have offered them in the Anniversary Meeting, had such a thing been mentioned by Mr Ritchie & had there been any difference in any of the Bibles, it would have been noticed by me and Mrs Downes — I did not answer Mr Ritchie's letter because I waited for another Meeting to decide on the election of Officers, and as there was nothing done I was taken ill & my cousin also - & again has afflicting death I, (thus) up. in a state of mind & body very much affected Excuse in haste and bear with to excuse this letter. This is the first opportunity I have had to write

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