Dear Mother,

I received yours of the 8th on the 11th. I was very glad on account of the pleasure of hearing from home & the money that was in it - My foot is entirely well now. I intend to try to keep it so - But shall always be my desire & endeavour to act in such a manner as shall merit your approbation so long as I am in college I will try to do nothing which will hurt your feelings - I do not think that Aunt Susan will accompany me home this fall, although I am not certain, if she makes up her mind to come, I will let you know three or four days beforehand so that you can get some person to work for you while they are here - I was indeed astonished as well as very much to hear of the death of Mr. Mitchell - I am somewhat astonished that Mr. Hamilton did not write as he said he would; according to your request I made further inquiry & Mr. McLean recommended a young man in the Seminary by the name of Topping. I inquired at his room on Saturday evening & spoke to him about it; I told him all I knew that the trustees gave $50 & that the number of scholars always had been from 12 to 14. I also told him that it was probable if he would teach the higher branch of the English studies he would have a larger number; he said he would write to Father about it. Mr. McLean recommended him.
Friday the 12th Gen. I got an invitation to College that three of the old students in town sent. The students about 60 or 80 or more went down to the college in the house, and my wife was at the door, and the students went into the house, while we stood at the door to watch. I took the fellows by the arm, and to come along with them, as the men refused to take them to stand off so as have the law on him. That he would make a good business of it, they told him they had money, which was evident for them. So for anyone long or short, they wrote a way to make him, as he was ready to be so disposed to come, so they had him in the house, I asked him out of the house, they at first pretended to think easier, but he seemed so strongly that they determined not to injure him, they took their own lives from him. I learned this to turn him up in front of the Seminary. I called the Seminary, that he may be a model in Jerusalem. I know that they might be made to be served in the same manner if they caught any of them, they took him a little for ways past the Seminary. They knew of the fine life of our fellow-student. They saw after him a short distance. Then to him, the Professor had allowed, after the students were expecting to have some notes sent to the students. He then asked him to enter him, but the students would not do it, they told him not to do it, or they were afraid

Our examination commenced next Monday, and we are to be examined on all the theorems of the sophomore year. Greek, Latin, English Grammar, Geography, all of which I wish may over the Commencement, they be held in the morning. If it is a day a splendid one, if not a fair one, an owning country, we have been obliged to a week in the first part of August. Two days in the latter part. We have now to go in our own way. It is very comfortable by a good way, I write to the young friends. The Seminary has been a great part of this season, the students do not commit quite a much mischief of the wife of the Faculty are getting to treat them with more respect. Far more than possible that we of the Faculty will one in my own, that the college will prosper, but I would demand justice of the Faculty at the beginning of the next session of the, and the beginning of the few weeks be a sort of a constitution. Give my love to all. Father, and all the rest. I know when you write to Valler, give me love to all who make inquiry for me. I am every your affectionate,

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