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Oxford 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 1829

Dear Sir

Yours without date, but mailed on the 24<sup>th</sup> ult was received on the 4<sup>th</sup> inst. —

Your orders have been deposited with the treasurer of the M. U. to take precedence of others of a more recent date. — You will therefore please enclose to me my note for the amt<sup>ts</sup> of sd<sup>d</sup> orders. —

As to the exposure of my letter, I feel ~~at present~~ constrained to withhold <sup>for the present</sup> all expression of feeling. When I know the use that is intended to be made of it I shall be better able to appreciate the motives of those concerned. Occurrences of a very recent date have led me to believe that your friends expect and those whom you consider your enemies wish a re-investigation of your case in the spring. As to the allusion referred to in your last, I feel now not ~~at~~ disposed to give any explanation whatever.

You can be at no loss to infer the cause of my, with you, unusual reserve. Circumstances will I hope hereafter shew that it was as unnecessary as I had once believed it to be. At present it is hoping, rather in despite of evidence — But still I will hope. I am inclined to interpret your conduct as



I wish you to interpret mine ~~by~~ rational, or at least  
by ordinary motives. This perhaps would explain  
my course without the help of any other supposition.

1 Oxford is improving - Meller has sold  
out to Mayhew of Alabama, who intends connecting  
a store with the tower. Mrs Sudden is married to  
Mr Lawrence of Baltimore - a wealthy man, hem!

2 The college is in "statu quo" - getting along  
quietly - Scott is well and succeeding I believe

3 very well - B I informed him of your wish to hear  
from <sup>him</sup> and I think he said he would write to you

6 shortly. 4 There has been quite an extensive revival  
of religion in Dayton - Henry Bacon Senior is  
amongst the converts! - 4 The house had a very

5 cold winter in Oxford - Last Saturday the thermom-  
eter fell from temperate to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  degrees below 0 in

six <sup>hours</sup> - Its average since has been from 10 above

4 to three below 0 - 4 The D. Register has passed  
into the hands of "Hard and Bishop" as publish-  
ers and proprietors. I have had nothing to do

with it since the publication of the 26<sup>th</sup> No. -

As nearly as the estimate can <sup>at present</sup> be made - the  
difference between the cost of materials and  
work, at the lowest rate, and the probable  
re<sup>cts</sup>, will be nearly \$300 - This will be  
paying pretty well for our experience as Editors  
\$100 each pro bono publico. -



I had the misfortune to lose my mother on the  
20<sup>th</sup> of last month - She died of a fever  
which deprived her of her reason some time  
before her death - We have revived  
our theological society under a somewhat  
different form - We meet one evening each  
week as before - Mr Scott is a member. -

I have now I believe given you all  
the gossip - all "quae rimosa bene deponuntur  
in aure." -

I shall expect a letter soon enclosing my  
note. Any directions you may think proper to  
send respecting your books orders &c shall  
be attended to - Orders are selling 15<sup>cts</sup> <sup>at</sup> per <sup>doz</sup>

I have not need, from the treasury 5<sup>cts</sup> dollars  
within as many months - Yours &c *M. J. C. Annan*

M. J. C. Annan. -

P.S. I need the catalogue you mention  
and thank you for forwarding it. -



Mr J. E. Annan

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New Jersey