

Orlades Aug: 27<sup>th</sup> 1837

Dear Soph:

I write once more to you, tho' I believe  
you are in my debt for letters ~~still~~ unanswered.  
Be that however as it may I write, and send to  
Pittsburg - by Adm. Black returning home from  
Squad - Squad adjourned last Wednesday after a  
busy and interesting Session of 8 days; upon any  
detail of its business I shall not enter at present.  
When the Minutes are published I will send you a  
copy. Home has resigned the Baltimore call,  
J. McKinley is appointed to Suffrey - Milton with  
Spring, and Beattie is to be ordained and installed  
in Walden next week.

On the adjournment of Squad, I ran on here  
to see your father and Mother of whose acci-  
-dent and injury you have heard. Your Mo-  
-ther is quite recovered, and goes about as usual,  
your father is still confined to the house. Two  
of his ribs were broken, and they seem to be  
some time in ~~resting~~ together. With these  
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of this his health is good, and I trust he will be  
soon restored to his usual vigor. All other  
matters here seem to be much in statu quo.  
I was sorry to hear from a letter you had  
sent home, that you were disappointed in not  
seeing me in Bloomington on my return home-  
-ward from the West. If I gave you any en-  
-couragement to expect me it was more than I in-  
-tended. While in B. I felt so uneasy under the  
idea of being there as a Candidate for a pro-  
-fessorate in the College, as many people imagined  
me to be, that I was glad to escape, so soon as  
my appointments to preach were fulfilled. When  
I went to Illinois, among the first questions that  
was asked me was the one, are you going to take  
a professorship in Indiana College? and so rapidly  
had the report been propagated that it reached  
New York, and many were led to believe that  
I had actually taken final leave of the people  
there entirely, and had accepted of an appoint-  
-ment in the West. It had become common by  
the time it reached N.Y. a \$3000. Rewarding -



Of all this a certain Lady in Philadelphia and others have  
- where of the same Colonel had made, and are still  
making them our use. The real reason why I did  
not return by Bloomington was, that I did not wish to  
expose myself to public animadversion than a  
slender any further than I could help. You know  
how these matters that I thought were private and  
confidential, and would be respected as such, came  
before the public. Please give my respects to  
Dr. Wylie, tell him that my reason for not return-  
-ing by B. was as above stated, and that my  
views as to the West remain unaltered, and as they  
were before my tour of discovery.

To you I say, as I did when about parting  
from you, a sufficient inducement would  
bring me to the West - if you please to  
B. Mr. Wylie of Illinois offers me a partnership  
with him in "Cumber" and strongly urges an acceptance.  
Now it will be I cannot say. I hope you will take  
a view on and see us in N.Y. when you come out to  
Orlando as I take it for granted you will do in your  
October vacation. Give my respects to Mrs. Dr.  
Wylie and all the family. I remember them with very  
kind regards. - Yours John N. M. Lead





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