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Gambier May 15. 1845

Rev. & dear Sir-

I reached home a few days since, from a visitation of about five weeks, & rec^d your letter of Apr. 23. It gives me great concern to find that you have been so ill since you left us. The journey must have been very trying, while you were so weak. The opinion of Dr. Jackson would seem to leave us but little hope that you will be able to resume duty here, until after an interval too long for you or the institution to support. Thus we are tried again. I supposed when you came, I had obtained a rest from the anxiety about that department. You did all you could to justify the hope. Your instructions were

highly valued & very successful. You had
a will & mind to do much more than your
health allowed. The rest is of God. He knows
what is good. & He only. I trust that as
soon as you have concluded what to do
you will write me, as we must be
about the supply of the vacancy as soon
as possible, in case you resign. The present
graduating class in College will need to
know soon what provision is to be made
in that department.

Mr. Spear has not yet signified his ac-
ceptance of the Presidency, but we feel pretty
confident that he will accept it. Meanwhile
the office is very satisfactorily supplied by the
Rev. Mr. Brown of Granville. I shall carry
on your department & mine in the same
as much as my time at home, this
term will allow. College matters look well.
The Trustees reduced the salaries of all the

affairs, except W. H. P., making subsequent in-
crease depend on number of students. It is
taken very well - & the energy of the Faculty
seems to be much quickened. W. Lang's students
have nearly doubled this term. Very pretty im-
provements have been made in the Seminary
grounds. They have been graded - sodded,
planted - & a fine walk of about 12 feet
wide, made from the gate to the door -
all finely stoned & gravelled - The Library
room is also finished. The Church is ^{now}
most completed - pews, pulpit & desk com-
pleted. We all think it very well done
& unsurpassed by any Ch. in this.

I will thank y^e to remember me
very respectfully to Prof. & Mr Greenleaf - & to
remember Mrs M. Thayer's & my kind regards
to Mr Fuller. Wishing y^e & your family,
the most precious blessings of God's grace, I re-
main,
Your affectionate friend & brother.
Chas. P. M. Thayer -