

Queensdown Queen Anne Co. Me.
March 17th 1831

Reverend and Dear Sir

While under the necessity of
addressing you in behalf of another, permit me
the opportunity of congratulating you on your
accession to the presidential chair, which while
it gives increasing testimony to your highly
gifted and improved mind, will add more
powers for ~~that~~ the display of that true faith
and christian liberality which has ever character-
ized your actions. My brother owing to the
superiority of any means to prosecute his studies and
the inability or disinclination of the College to
assist him, has determined to leave Washington
College this term, that he may no longer be a
burden to our Mother or a subject of mockery to
those who would entertain him with vain hopes.
for hope although "the aliding anchor of the soul"
will not put a coat on a man's back or satisfy
the cravings of hunger — hope may figure to great
advantage in fictions of romance or encircled
with the glittering beauties of poetry but its imagin-
ary excellencies and heavenly powers diminish when poverty
with its mantle of darkness rests on the future
~~and the fountain of joy dries up~~ the
only waste that reigns over the kindest affections.

If therefore dear Sir any situation among your
acquaintances may be obtained for him, as an
assistant in a school I hope you will use
your endeavours to procure it for him. Could
he obtain a ~~school~~ place in a school or
family that would not interfere too much so
as to render it impossible, he would be glad
to become a member of your College. As he
trusts and hopes through the grace of Christ
to become a member of that Church of which
you are distinguished light, it is to be wished he
may succeed. Having taken one by the hand
and led him through difficulties, untill a
path of usefulness and honour is opened to him,
one whose meekness of disposition and fervent
piety render him respected and beloved, I am
fully assured that your best interest will not
be wanting in behalf of my brother. Such
an act will never be forgotten by him. —
ingratitude is not a part of his nature
and he would have the name of his
benefactor "written in stars of light that he
might never look upwards without beholding it"

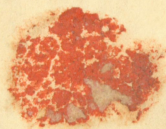
With the best assurances of esteem present my
regards to your family, and believe me to be
your At ten and hearty friend

Wm. J. Morrison

Queens Island
Nov 23

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Mr. H. Humphreys
President of the College
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May 1862



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