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**DESCRIPTION OF REPRODUCED ITEM(S):**

Tyler, William Seymour. ALS, Amherst College, to Mrs. Hubbard, Mar. 9, 1842. 1 sheet (2 p.). Concerning the dismissal of her son William Hubbard (AC 1844) from the College for misbehavior. In Alumni Biographical file: Hubbard 1844 N/G.

Amherst College Mar. 9. 1842.

Mr Hubbard

Dear Madam.

I regret extremely, that I am obliged so soon again to be the bearer of unwelcome intelligence respecting your son. When he returned, he made many fair promises of amendment both as a scholar & a Christian. But he has disappointed our hopes, returned to his former bad habits & even committed higher misdemeanors. You will learn, what I mean, from the following vote of the Faculty: "Whereas on Saturday night the 5<sup>th</sup> of March last, Sophomore Hubbard, after indulging in festivity & card playing ~~in~~ <sup>in</sup> ~~cocoa & playing cards~~ till a very late hour with several of his classmates at the room of a classmate, proceeded with one of his companions to take without liberty several fowls from a neighboring hen roost for the purpose of continuing the entertainment, & whereas this is but one of a series of offences of which he has been found guilty & for which he has been subjected to college censure: Therefore voted that he be thereby dismissed & that his parent be informed, that unless there is a radical change in his character, it cannot be safe or wise for him ever to return to this college."

I feel constrained to add, not for the sake of distressing you more, but

for the purpose of acquainting you fully with the facts  
painful as they are, that besides card playing & Sabbath  
breaking (for by our laws, the previous night is regarded as  
a part of the Sabbath) the misconduct of your son was ag-  
gravated by falsehood & misrepresentation.

I think, Madam, you will agree with the Faculty  
that unless there is a radical change in his character,  
there will be no encouragement for you to send  
him back to College, or for us to receive him.

Dismission necessarily involves separation from  
College for one year. At the end of that time, should  
you wish to send him to another College, we shall inter-  
pose no obstacle. That you may be sustained & sanctified  
under this event so painful to us as well as to you,  
is the sincere desire of myself & all my associates  
in whose behalf I write.

Yours Truly  
Wm. S. Tyler

Amherst College, Mar. 9, 1842.

Mrs. Hubbard

Dear Madam,

I regret extremely, that I am obliged so soon again to be the bearer of unwelcome intelligence respecting your son. When he returned, he made many fair promises of amendment both as a scholar & a Christian. But he has disappointed our hopes, returned to his former bad habits & even committed higher misdemeanors. You will learn, what I mean, from the following note of the Faculty: "Whereas on Saturday night the 5<sup>th</sup> of March last, Sophomore Hubbard, after indulging in festivities & cardplaying till a very late hour with several of his classmates at the room of a classmate, proceeded with one of his companions to take without liberty several fowls from a neighboring barn roost for the purposes of continuing the entertainment, & whereas this is but one of a series of offences of which he has been found guilty & for which he has been subject to college censure; therefore vote that he be & hereby is dismissed & that his parent be informed, that unless there is a radical change in his character, it cannot be safe or [wise?] for him ever to return to this college."

I feel constrained to add, not for the sake of distressing you more, but for the purpose of acquainting you fully with the facts, painful as they are, that besides cardplaying & Sabbath breaking (for by our laws, the previous night is regarded as a part of the Sabbath) the misconduct of your son was aggravated by falsehood & misrepresentation.

I think, Madam, you will agree with the Faculty that unless there is a radical change in his character, there will be as little [encouragement?] for you to send him back to College, as for us to receive him. Dismissal necessarily involves separation from College for one year. At the end of that time, should you wish to send him to another College, we shall interpose no obstacle. That you may be sustained & sanctified under this event so painful to us as well as to you, is the sincere desire of myself & all my associates in whose behalf I write.

Yours Truly

Wm. S. Tyler