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Gentlemen.

I desire to express in the most emphatic manner, to you, the propriety of honoring your University by selecting John M. Coulter A.M. and Ph.D. of A.S.S. to the Presidency of your Institution.

John Coulter is the friend of every aspirant for Scientific progress; the warm friend of such men as Asa Gray the great Botanist; a leader in the foremost ranks of Study, honored abroad even more than at home. His work ^{on Botany of the West.} will soon be published with the kind greetings of all the Scientific world.

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Perhaps I have said enough
but beyond this he is a pure,
good, honest, truthful, faithful
man and dutiful son of Indiana.

Respectfully,
John Collett.

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