

Washington, February 22nd 1826

Dear Sir

I was astonished and grieved to find by a letter received this morning from Dr Bishop, that the recommendation, in your favor, to the Board of Trustees of your university, for the office of professor of Languages, had not been received. Immediately on the receipt of your letter I wrote to Dr B. and by the same mail, to yourself, giving you information of the recommendation which I had sent to him. The letters must have been delayed on the way or lost, else they must have reached Oxford long enough before the date of the Dr's letter, the 10th. I have this day written a second recommendation, directed to the Dr. But lest that too should not find its way I will write a duplicate of it on this sheet. You have it on the opposite page.

There is now an amazing degree of excitement here on the subject of the post office. Eight applicants for the office, all pressing their claims with the utmost zeal, scouring the country in all directions for petitions in their favor! a most disgusting scene! Man, man! thou art the God of this would! Nothing new. All well.

Your sincere friend

A Wylie

P.S.

A letter from you whenever "oioya avio" will be acceptable. I rejoice at the prospect of a comfortable and honorable space of usefulness which is presented you.

A.W.

Understanding that the Board of the Miami University have it in contemplation to select a professor of Languages at their next meeting I would beg have to recommend to their attention Mr. Wm. McGuffey, as a young gentleman whose attainments, habits and taste, as well as natural qualifications, make him in my opinion, eminently fitted to promote the interests of literature in that department of the University.

A Wylie

To the Board of
the Miami University