

arriving on Aug 6th 1827

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 25th ult. is received. You need make no apology for writing as it always gives me pleasure to hear from you. As to "equivalents" in this case there is as little need for excuses on my part as for apology on yours. My letters never ascribe to the character of idleness or inactivity. Indeed, I have been so much in an employment which ought to afford instruction that I may pretty well account the privilege of resorting to epistolary correspondence as an amusement. It is one, however, which I am ashamed to say, I have used so far so little. You are almost the only person with whom I now exchange letters as a regular affair. You seem to have such a haunting about "consulting" me in relation to "disfranchisement" but are deterred by "nationalism" & "nationalism". I am glad of it for, pleased as I am, an almost splendid body of

library & apparatus a "eminent"
professor you would, more reasonably,
be expected to give the work to me
than I to you.

I never yet received a letter from
our friends Montfort on the subject
you mention nor any other. The only
vacancies that are now in the region
are Uniontown & Alexandria, neither of
which offer any thing very desirable.
The former is likely to be taken
by the Methodists who have orga-
nized their college there, at the latter
place there is a large church
but the people are slow & mean &
poorish, in general. However
if our friends should think it worth
while to pay them a visit with a view
to settlement I will do the object all
in my power. McFerrin is settled at Bon-
judy, about ten at Cross Creek, both very
comfortably. — I would write to Mr
Montfort did I know where to direct
my letter. Please, give him the
foregoing information. Caldwell
stayed several days with us on two occasions.
He do not strike my fancy altogether as a
preacher, but still I hope he may do some
good. The girls to the contrary notwithstanding.

Whether I would accept of such an
offer from the West as you speak of
I cannot tell. I hate moving. I hate the
idea of entering a new circle of men
& things. But still I desire to hold my-
self ready to follow when Providence
leads. This is my native region & I feel
attached to it. Yet at the call of duty I
would go to the Rocky Mountains —
— at least I ought.

I have not much news to write. Our
college is in statu quo, prospect, rather
better than formerly. Mr Scott, who
has been removed from them by death. Yester-
day Judge Baird only son was killed by
a fall. H. A. W. came here in co. with R.
Jennings & sister & myself on our return
from Baltimore & stayed several
weeks — Intend returning after some
time. Whether he has closed the negoti-
ation I know not. Give my respects
to W. Annan. We will be glad to see
him here whether on his way to Europe
or Matrimony. Our best respects to

Mr. McGuffey & yourself. I have
found some of my former publications
some I cannot find. Such as I have I
will give W. L. M. Th. Yours sincerely
W. H. McGuffey

I could give him no further
information than what this let-
ter contains. I once thought
of Bedford as a suitable place
for him: but I just now have learned
that it is occupied.

Yrs



Mr. H. Montgomery
Care
Ohio

15 Aug.
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Be sure you give my respects
to brother Montgat with the
enclosed information & tell
him I would, still, write him
directly to your care, but that