

Washington Nov. 13th 1838

Dear Sir

Yours of the 8th inst. urging
Mr Scott's departure was received
to day. I fear from the tenor of it
that there may be some strange event
apprehended though how, or where, or in
what shape I dare not conjecture. I there-
fore have concluded to write you im-
mediately, lest possibly Mr S. should not
reach you by the time specified. He
left this on Monday last, & arrived the
next day about 10 O'Clock at Wheeling
as I have learned. I can not tell whether
he got a boat immediately. But Dr
Rollins who arrived here yesterday
told me he passed two boats on their
way down the river on Wednesday the
day he arrived at Wheeling; & I think
it highly probable that one of them
contained Mr Scott. So that, should he
not arrive by the 18th he may be
confidently expected on the day fol-
lowing or in two days at most.

If any thing of deep interest to him
should be pending at the meeting of
the Board I hope you & Dr. Burhop
will exert your influence to obtain a
postponement of it ^{till his arrival.} ~~for a day or two.~~

I got home on Friday night last, having
travelled diligently though not so as to
injure Old Faithful. My horse in the
mean time had gained the ascendancy
over his rider, regulating his movements
as best pleased himself.

I have not yet received any com-
munication from Bloomington
at which I am not a little dis-
prized.

I shall feel not a little reluctant
till I learn what it may prove to
be which your letter, urging so much
speed on the part of Mr. Scott, pointed

I shall probably come to a determi-
nation soon after I receive the ex-
pected documents from Bloomington
— if they are forthcoming. If they
are not, I almost feel as if I should

feel best satisfied that the things stand
so and.

Remember me with kindest to Mrs
McGuffey, Mr & Mrs Montfort & Dr Bick
of you & all engraving friends & if
Professor Scott & family should have
arrived, to them also.

Very truly

Yours &c

Mr W. H. McGuffey

A. Vignier

Of the Bible & hymnbooks of Mr. Mather
if arrived I hope you will take in charge
& when a safe opportunity offers forward them
to the owner.

intended

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Mr Wm M. Gifford

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