

Cincinnati Nov 4th 1843-

Dr A Thyer,

My Dear Sir,

By Prof

Read I must reply to your two last to me. I regret you did not come to Cin during your vacation. There is (and was) no vacant E. Church in this city.

Dr Cobbs is in St. P. - A fig for such prejudices as those you refer to! When they be against talent and learning - tho' a fool's worth is better than ~~that~~ ^{both} land & stones. Solomon himself being judge. About the best evidence of my being like men of talent is the share I have in the prejudices they always excite amongst asses, of their own age at least. But in this respect I have been rather too popular for my reputation - In my letter to which you replied in Aug. I meant even less than than met the eye. Something was necessary as an apology for my impudence in speaking so often and so freely in favor of my colleagues, good fellows as they are - My own preference was, and is, for this city, at all hazards until my daughters are educated -

I rejoiced in the election of the "two Bs" - There are no better fellows for your purpose. Byers can't easily be motivated - and this increases my regret that any thing connected with your persons should hazard the permanent connection of these gentlemen with the S.U. A trifle will secure them - but in my honest opinion, their loss would be no trifle. I hope your Board will, under your

directions be able to prevent Dr Jackson from
of M. U. from appropriating Byers to their
service of that institution; as he has called
a meeting of that Bid on the 20th instant
mainly, as he told me but two days ago,
for that purpose.

I again express my regrets
that you did not find it convenient to
visit us last month. There is no more
leaving when I would sooner see at my
table than my old President.

My decided opinion is that you ought
not to answer Hall's book - It would be
denouncing yourself ^{too, completely} to return such trash.

I thank you for the hint your last
letter contains. I have engrained a little into
the matter and find there is not anything
in it more than some women's gossip -
perhaps some old ladies of both sexes - At
the worst I can prevent any mischief of
that kind.

I hope you will find it con-
venient to write me soon and let me
know how our late colleagues Dr & Ry do.

You are pleasantly and I hope, usefully
situated in this city - I am content, and
fully employed in such a way as to do good,
and have ceased to "seek great things" for
myself.

May the Good Lord, who rules over
all direct us in the way that may best
promote the good of his creatures and thus
promote the glory of our Father.

Affectionately yours Dr. J. H. J. J.

W. C. Sullivan - Refers to New Providence

President - Wythe

Bloomington

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By Prof.
D. C. Cook

