

Middlebury May 23^d, 65

Dear Sir

I do not know that Dr. Patton has any personal grief, but it happened me, fortunately a few years ago that most of the members of our Faculty, were graduates of other colleges, and the fact was noticed & sharply criticised by some of our Alumni.

Dr. Patton partook of the feeling I think to some extent. There may be other proofs of guilt, but I know of none. He has been invited, myself to visit him, but has uniformly declined — He and I have been on friendly terms for many years. I think we last met in Lou-

don and I was indebted
to him there and in Paris
for many kind attentions &
valuable suggestions.

I did not know that he had
married a third time, but
I am glad to learn of his pros-
perity.

Not knowing what the
present of his mind is towards
the college, I should not know
how to approach him, but I
have no doubt there is a way,
and perhaps you may find
it.

He is a large-hearted, gen-
erous minded man, and
I am not without hope, that
he may look favorably upon a
call from his Alma Mater.
Perhaps you can reach him
through his wife. I can not
believe that his feelings are

permanently estranged.
Will he not come with you
to commencement?

I hope to see you at the Grad
Council in Boston.

I fear that we shall not be
able to do much business on the
6th of June, for the reason that
our Court meets on that day &
some of our men will be en-
gaged, but we may meet &
adjourn a few days. Where will
I see you —

Regards to Mrs. S.

Very truly

Yours B. Sabree

Rev. G. P. Tyler D.D.

The plan of union proposed
meets with no favor from
wise men