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Geneseeville Indiana Feb 9<sup>th</sup> 1848

Cal. P. M. M. M.

Dear Sir — Hiram called upon me on yesterday with a letter from you stating that you expected to be in Washington shortly, and requesting him to forward to you a power of attorney. I have accordingly prepared one for him which you will probably find in Washington upon your arrival — I have written it solely upon such information as I could obtain from Hiram — Should it not be in due form please write me on your arrival, with instructions as to the form, and I will attend to it without delay.

I am glad that Hiram is about to be released. He has not wanted for anything, but his situation has not been pleasant in consequence of the pecuniary of his funds — All is well, however, and so far as I hear Hiram is doing well — He seems to be esteemed by the Faculty, students and citizens.

I will suggest that, after sending to Hiram what may be necessary for present use, you deposit the remainder in one of the Branches of our State Bank subject to his order — I do not think that it is well for him or any other young man at college to have large sums of money on hand at once — I do not wish to control his expenditures

or in any way to have the management of his  
funds - I am willing, however, to advise him  
when necessary and render him any assistance in my  
power - And Hiram, I think, is quite disposed to  
take advice, and to conduct himself well -  
I will suggest the Branch at Indianapolis  
or at New Albany - I have personal transac-  
tions frequently with these branches and could aid  
him perhaps in his matters - Understand, however,  
that, if this is done, I wish to make payable  
to Hiram himself and not to me - I do not  
wish to control it at all - I am much  
from home and my time quite taken  
up -

I should be pleased to receive a line  
from you while in Washington or at any  
other time - I formed strong attachments  
to your station during my short stay - And,  
though unexpected occurrences have severed me  
from them, I feel a deep interest in all their  
concerns - especially the progress of religion,  
morals and education -

Respectfully  
Yours  
H. L. Goode



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Col. Peter P. Hutchinson

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