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of you to prouve a suitable lodging for him - and that you will also take a kind of supuintendance of hom- as The bol: expresses it he is a high mitthet lad that it is absolutely newpary hishould be afraid of some person-Surhafir it will not be amile to speak to Doctors Nesbet Davison about him farturelarly as, if any thing can be made of him - it may have a tendency to bring many young Gentlemen to the bollege - his Mann is On he has been two years at the College in this Cety but as the Colorels time in Congress will soon wither he does not wish to leave him her - he will be provided in the first instance with bash for the first quarter out. The bol: proposed to write you by the young gentleman - McWilson, Las not time to want as the Stage sets out immediately - which provents me at this time from sundry matter Fintended Jam in Laste Dr. Col, your friend & Surt. Winfavine Col: Magan -

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ool: Robert Magans yanond by I have not seen nor heard from your friends in this quarter since my arrival, & Congress have sat so close that I have not yet had time to take a ride onto long Island.

The memorial of the Trustees has been read & committed the Committee have reported extremely favorable indeed Viz - to grant a certain proportion of the building in fee simple - but the report has not yet been taken up in Congress, nor do I wish to precipitate it, untill I sound most of the members - At present however I have not a doubt but the Issue will be as favorable as the most sanguine hope for -

Colonel Grayson of Virginia, by my advice will direct a Newphew of his to be sent to your College he begs the favor of me to mention this to you as an old Acquaintance of his and to request the favor of you to procure a suitable lodging for him - and that you will also take a kind of superintendance of him - as the Col: expresses it, he is a high mettled lad - that it is absolutely necessary he should be afraid of some person - perhaps it will not be amiss to speak to DoctorsNisbit & Davison about him - particularly as, if anything can be made of him - it may have a tendency to bring many young Gentlemen to the College - his Name is Orr he has been two years at the College in this City, but as the Colonels time in Congress will soon expire he does not wish to leave him here - he will be provided in the first instance with Cash for the first quarter but - the Col: proposes to write you by the young Gentleman - M: Wilson, has not time to wait as the Stage sets out immediately - which prevents me at this time from sundry matters I intended I am in haste

D: Col

Your friend & Serv. W. Irvine

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