

United States Senate Chamber,

Washington, Nov. 20th, 1878.

Prof. Buckham,

Burlington, Vt.

My dear Sir: Your favor of the 18th inst. is at hand but the article you mention from the Record was not enclosed. No matter. I saw Prof. Conkey and promised to speak to you about him but did not as I expected find any opportunity to do so. He is mistaken entirely as to the extent of my encouragement for I emphatically endorsed the policy of not running in debt, as I have always done, but did tell him I had no doubt the College would do something for him and I hoped in a satisfactory way. He shook something about the order and time of his lecture. It was that which