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Burlington Ky. Apr. 11th 1836

W.B.

Dear Brother,

Our school has commenced, and appears to promise well. We have been teaching one week, and have 91 pupils in daily attendance. We have just completed the arrangement of the classes, and expect to do more to distinguish ourselves as teachers, than was in our power last session. The rapidity with which students pour in, is an evidence that our lectures are appreciated, and stimulates us to more vigorous action. We have been impatiently expecting you, for the last four days; - every body is anxiously awaiting your arrival. If it should be possible for you to be here next Friday, you will see our school in full operation. In fact I would be much gratified if you could pass part of a day at least with us in the school room. We derived much advantage from your suggestions, when here last fall, and would be happy to have your advice now. If we are only successful in sustaining the reputation we have already acquired we will do a first-rate business. This we would be the more likely to do, if we had some person of your experience to point out our errors and suggest improvements. — You may do more good, in it. — you may meet with more who are able to appreciate your remarks, but you will not find more men, in proportion to the inhabitants, who will be more influenced

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to: W.H. McGuffey - (Oxford, O.)
from: Alexander McGuffey -
Burlington, Ky.
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by your advice, and entertain a higher opinion of
your talents, in any place, than you will in Burlin-
ton.

I gave my "first-born" to Samuel & Smith and
at their earnest solicitation, brought down your Bro.
book. Smith was very urgent in requesting me to come
to C. (if he should write for me) while you were
there. I promised conditionally, that if all my
power, I would come. You may inform them, if
you please, that it will be altogether impractical
for one to leave Burlington, but that the book
shall be sent to them, by the earliest opportunity.

Mr. Harding sends his warmest respect,
and joins me in requesting to make it con-
venient to be here, during business days, - for one
at least. — You need hope, however, to be permit-
ted to rest. — The people here will keep you
employed, should you remain a week.

The Misses Shepherd, are now in Con-
Your brother Alexander.