The Revd. Joseph Spencer
&
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Shirwood 5th April 1837.

Gentlemen.

My sons James & Lloyd having been dismissed, in common with the other pupils, from the Seminary under your charge and intending to place them at another literary institution, it becomes an imperative duty upon me, as their parents, in order to ensure their admission, to be enabled to furnish them with evidence of good moral character. I would, under any circumstances, I should have addressed a communication to you on this subject as they have been especially under your care but it is now more important that I should do so, as I am desirous they should lose as little time as possible before placing them at another school – I have therefore, to request you will frankly state to me whether you have any suspicions that my sons were engaged in the recent events which have occasioned the late disruption of your