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My Dear Sir,

It is now almost a year since I left Baltimore and I take shame to myself when I reflect that I have not yet written to you agreeably to my promise. To apologize now, would seem like affectation but yet, I do not know that I have any apology to make, saving the fact that I have had little to communicate that would be interesting to you, and do not now know that I have any things to say worthy of your perusal. Since I arrived here I have been diligently prosecuting my studies preparatory to entering upon the study of the ministry. I say preparatory for I have not yet become a member of the Seminary — it having been the best by the Bishop and Dr Sparrow that I should take the mathematical classes of the Junior Preparatory Department, in the past year which has thrown me back a year, — Hence I am occupied but 4 hours a day, leaving me half my time for study, which I hope has not been misemployed. — I shall enter upon the course in September. The number of Theo. Students at present is but about 12 and the class to enter this fall will not exceed half a dozen. I am sorry for this, for I think there are many advantages arising from having a pretty large class. The grand obstacle to the prosperity of this Seminary is the want of adequate buildings. They have funds for the purpose of erecting a seminary building, and at the last Convention a Resolution was passed to put it up as soon as practicable — the money however is at interest and the hard times have prevented their getting it. They hope to commence it the ensuing Spring. — The prospects of the Church on this State are very flattering. I have lately conversed with a gentleman who has just returned from a tour of 2 months in the Southern

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