Hagerstown July 25 1829

Dear Son

yours by Mr Hoffenstein has been
rec'd and no doubt you will think I
have neglected your business when
I say that as yet I have not taken
your wool to Town it has been
harvest with us and Nathan or
my self has to make a hand in the field
and I have not been direct to Town
since I came home except on Sunday
believing it to be best to keep the
Wool untill I could take it
my self I have not sent it —
But if nothing happens I will
make it my business to take it
in this week

Mr. Bernie
Thomas

Hagerstown
25 July 1829
Rec'd Day

Garrison Forest August th 2

Dear Father

I received your letter this morning
by Moses Mr Smith intends sending you a catalogue
of yale college One of the boys are going on with him
to enter college at the end of this term I believe
there will be only one teacher here next term term
there is only seven boys at Mr Lyons one of which is
going to college the others two of them Vincent Freem
& Laird Cushing are going away so there will be
only the two Gilmors & little Albert left and myself
unless I go I never go with them as they always
go together so I will be left entirely by my self I do
not think they are proper boys to associate with as they
spend their holidays saturdays at Mr Mc Creays
tavern they boys that are going are the only boys I go
with I would rather leave this and go to some other
scholl where I can prepare for college but I will
try my uttermost to be ready before a year be
where I will Mr Smith has written the books I
on paper

Mr. C. Bruce
Thomas
Hagerstown
Maryland

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