

United States Senate Chamber,

Washington, July 26th 1872

Dear Sir:

The proposition to the Republicans
franchise of the University is unwise, in
order that Democratic candidates may
be elected in their places, is very
remarkable. If the Republicans carry
the next legislature, the University will
be put upon a firm and enduring
basis, and its management perpetuated
in such hands as will not drive any
class of students from the Institution
by social ostracism and taunts
on account of the disaffection of
their parents or themselves to the
lost cause. The present movement
is to prevent this - The Republican

Trustees ought not to resign. They
are as capable of taking care of
the University as the Democratic
Trustees who propose to take their places.

If you have inconsiderately sent
in your resignation, I hope you
will immediately write to the Governor
or Superintendent, withdrawing it.

Upon consultation with several of
our leading friends, now here this
is thought to be the proper course.

Very truly, &c.

John P. ...

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