November 25. Wednesday.

Thank Heaven our duties are over and I have nothing more to do. This morning we were exasperated on French and Latin by Prof. Hooper, and thus ended the recitations of the first session of the Junior year of 1840-41. The class stood very well and the Professor hastened us as much as the dull and inert spirit which actually his conduct could be induced to permit. The Band practiced from twelve to only, as yesterday, in wetnesses rain, and I very contentedly sat and listened to them, as I had no occupation of a more agreeable nature. After dinner I attended the Junior Speaking, as a matter of course, and there heard the following speeches.

Oration De Omnibus Rebus et Inbusdam Aliis. By James S. Delph of Clarksville.
Oration on the Propriety of Rewarding Merit. By Elias C. Harrison of Pittsboro.