is supposed to have a good influence upon the manners of the
young men. To judge, however, the subject has been taken in
the Faculty, but my belief is that they would require an appropria-
tion of five hundred dollars annually for the same object at least
for a year or two as wisely made.

2. The tiles roof put by N.C. Peeler upon the south building
some years since, does not appear to have been made with any
great degree of skill and requires present attention. The effect
of heat and cold in succession, after it has been to draw out the
tiles put in to confine the slate of tiles to their places and have
holes through which the rain strikes, injures the woodwork and
brings down the plastering. Here are other defects and injuries
at one or two points. Unless the thing is attended to, the house
concerning may be expected to go rapidly to decay. I do not see that any
thing better can be done than to go over the whole roof, repair it
where repairs are needed and then cover it with a good coating of
Mr. Sibley's tin plume rouge paint. This will make it more secure
tirely to the effect of heat and cold than now, but it seems to be the
only way of hindering it from being rapidly and totally destroyed
as with the atmosphere has access through the tiles to the mud the
has beneath and that constitutes the main body of the plates it is
rated with great effect. The paint would cure it all over and
prevent this. I find in Leibnitz's history of the French ex-
pedition to Russia that the houses in St. Petersburg before the city was
burnt were many of them and perhaps most of them covered with
iron without any coating of tile upon it but simply painted. It is
here to say that the expense necessary to put this roof into
good condition will be as we cannot get at it to be what

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