excess of this faculty which jointly constitute the source of our literary improvement. This College was not erected for the benefit of the infantile state nor does the prescribed science include the first rudiments of knowledge. It was designed to benefit youth who no longer reside the fostering care of the infantile minds and whose minds having already received the first principles of education are now to be expanded and matured by the higher attainments of scientific knowledge. As the child must be taught to crawl before it can walk and to walk before it can run, so, the body is slow in its growth and must be trained to hardship in a degree before it can sustain the effects of fatigue or undergo arduous exercise; so the mind in its progress in the science of science must rise from lower to higher grades, must first engage in studies adapted to comprehension and which will enlarge its powers and yet be capable for the acquisition of the more difficult branches. Hence in our collegiate course the study of the dead Languages, Geography and Arithmetic conduceth us to the study of the Mathematics, and that introduces us to the study of Philosophy and Rhetorick, which complete the course by including English Grammar. But the objections urged against some of these branches are neither few nor unconsiderable. To effect the effects of diligence and exact attention which have been thrown upon the study of the English Grammar is to remove the deep rooted prejudices excited in the minds of some against this branch of study would afford exercise to the fire of a Persuasive genius and require a separate study. It falls under my province only to say that the knowledge of the Latin and Greek Languages is indispensable to a thorough knowledge of our mother tongue. As the English Language has derived many of its words and the grand principles of its grammar from those Languages. Since also it is by comparing one language with another that we can attain to accuracy in and we may infer that the utility of the dead Languages would best be sufficient to render them worthy of attention.