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Dear Schuly,

I have just received a paper on the subject of Education. It may be deemed presumptuous to bring this up at this time, as an article was prepared for the new state Constitution. If it is not to be considered by the committee or any one, please allow me to put it in proper shape for presentation, with the necessary alterations, so that it appears before the proper body. I have been expecting some reports and documents from abroad, being upon the subject. But they have not arrived. I thought that now it would be admissible, as I deem my views upon this subject to go before the Convention in proper time.

It has been my purpose, as you well know, to bring in bills to blend the interests of the University and common Schools. Both are of great importance to the State, but a partition has for years existed between them that ought to be broken up. The aristocratic family influence that has controlled the Legislature, ought to be overcome, and this institution thrown into proper channels. It should be thoroughly loyalized. Rather than have the State University—a moneyed institution, to foster and perpetuate the feeling of distrust, that it should be closed forever. But this would be an admission to this State a wholly unnecessary. Let the Board of Trustees be supervised by a loyal Board of Education as provided in Section 10 of