

It may not be too soon still if peace
returns. I shall wish to go at an
conditional leave.

Madison College Brunswick,
April 10th 1862.

Dear Sir;

Your kind letter to my
brother John, inquiring in
regard to the recent death of
Horace, was duly received &
sent to me with the request
to answer.

You know Horace had
been sick for some time. He
had his turns of hope & despair
but in all was perfectly calm
& resigned. I often wondered at
his patience. He felt hopeful on
the whole until within a very
few days of his decease. It was
my privilege to be with him for
the last three weeks of his life.



without inconsiderable expense
as I was not prepared to accept ^{entry of my} finally
the Dept of Med. L. I did not accept
the office to which you designate.
At the best of the faculty were very
anxious for me to perform the
duties of that Dept for the year
I consented to perform them in
case I should accept the Dept at this
Comm¹⁸⁶⁴. provided ~~the~~ ^{they} ~~board~~ ^{board} ~~was~~,
those who I should be enabled to
fit myself for the Dept. by prepara-
tion. As they have now guaranteed
a sum towards that object, I
stand ready to enter upon those
duties. I accept the Dept of Med.
L. with the understanding that
I shall have the opportunity always
granted of a P. in their D. to pursue
my studies abroad.

I therefore ask permission as
soon as the troubled state of our
affairs will permit, to spend a year
more or less in Europe in studies
absolutely to that Dept.

