had heard how I got the place till this move of Holdins! He & Argo read Law together but Argo never had mentioned the story - supposing of course that he knew it. Oh let me not forget to mention that Mason went up on the Stage Com. day & sat down among the Trustees! Town folks so mad about it. And it is a fact that the furniture was taken out of the De & Phi Halls for the Faculty parlors. & a fact that Patrick burst open the Phi Hall to get the velvet rugs & a piece of carpeting. He had taken the large velvet arm chairs, but on consideration, sent them back, Wed evening. I asked Wm Barham, (who resigned Friday, & can therefore speak out) if it was all true & he said it was. It was done openly the Sat. before - the servants carrying the things about in broad-daylight. Mr Nickle has let Patrick have all Mr Martin's furniture. I am surprised Martin wd let it go if there is any chance of his returning to this State. Barham said Mrs Patrick said in his hearing: "Wait till she got her parlor fixed & she wd be as big a frog as any in the pond". You never saw people more enraged than our villagers over that furniture raid at College. Mr Tres declined to join it & is reported to have said when it was proposed that the Trustees might sit on split-bottomed chairs at his house before he wd use the Societies' things.

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