

Sir

Mont^o. May 1. 24.

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Your favor of the 18th. ult. has been received. The scheme of
educn originally proposed to our Legislature ^{embraced} ~~embraced~~ 3. grades,
1. primary schools. 2. intermediate colleges. 3. an University. They adopted
the 1st. & last but have not yet acted on the intermediate grade.
This was meant to be preparatory for the University. It was to teach
the ~~the~~ classical languages, ~~also~~ numerical arithmetic, the elements
of ~~maths~~ geometry, geography &c. It is to this part that your judicious
observations on preparatory schools apply, and when we shall proceed to
that branch of the establish^t. they will truly merit consid^r. nothing can
be more defective than the classical schools of the U.S. generally.

The department of grammar, rhetoric, & oratory is not a separate
one in our University, but they make a part only of two and a small part of
the duties of two other professorships. The measures too which have been adopted
by the Visitors for procuring professors, preclude any other appointments
until their result shall be known, which will not be till autumn.

The pamphlet on educn and grammar of composition mentioned to have been
sent with your letter, has got separated by the way, but will probably come
and I return you, in anticipation, my thanks for them.
I accept the assurance of my ~~great~~ respect & esteem

Th^t

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