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Mon. J. W. Caldwell,

Washington City,

Dear John; It has  
been, as you can well imagine,  
a hard question to decide what to do  
in Bassett's case. We have concluded  
however, not to make further efforts  
to place him in the Academy. I  
write to avoid any delay in making  
another nomination, and to thank  
you very sincerely for your efforts  
in our behalf. I shall never  
think of the subject without a  
grateful recollection of your  
kindness & friendly solicitude;  
and, remember, John, I never

forget a favor to me or mine.  
Verbum sat.

If you can send  
in the name of young Hopkins  
you will oblige a great many of us  
— make "a host of friends." He is a  
youth of intelligence, cultivation,  
and energy. I am assured that  
he can, in all probability, pass his  
examination without difficulty, and  
is likely to do credit to himself and  
the District. A great many North  
Ala. people will feel obliged by  
his nomination. Tom. White, Ward  
Brandon, Dr Bassitt & others have  
asked me to write in his behalf.

I have been closely confined at  
home, since my return. My son,  
all of us — write in kindest  
regards. Very Truly, Yr. Friend

D. B. Green  
Mountville. July 18<sup>th</sup>

Hon. J. W. Caldwell

Washington City.

