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Magee, Mississippi,

August 18th. 1913.

C.A. Williams,
Dry Grove, Mississippi,
Dear Cammie:-

I enclose letter from George Hurst which is self-explanatory. I judge by this that you have not as yet decided about where to send Gordon and Mims for the coming session

I hope that you will settle upon a good preparatory school and have them prepared especially to enter the college classes of a certain College that you have concluded to send them to. The Preparatory School can then look up the requirements of said College as to what constitutes eligibility of Freshman entries and then your boys would be working to an end, with a definite purpose- this always best. I remember when at school that those boys who prepared to enter college by attending some preparatory school always got along better and were never discouraged and were on par with other boys with no disadvantages. I mean of course with other boys in their class. This gives a boy a fair show and then if he does not do anything you will know that the fault is in the boy. I found those boys who prepared for College at Bell Buckle Tennessee the best equipped of any boys that entered at Milsaps while I was there. Be sure that you have the boys prepare for both Greek and Latin as they go along as they are the most important languages they could study in order to

fully comprehend the English language- our language is made up as you know of Greek and Latin words, stems and roots of Greek & Latin. The mistake usually made is some boy wishes to run through his college course and will omit any part of the full course that the faculty will allow him to in order to finish. It is nothing to finish. I think best to go thoroughly over the full course as you proceed and if you do not finish that would none amiss. The boys would know as far as they went and then could apply themselves at home and get along alright,- then if conditions are so that the boy could go along through, then so much the better.

When you have decided to send the boys and wish to prepare them to get off,- you may then write me what money you will want for Mims for the first few months and I will send it to you.

I expect you will want money to buy clothes with first. Any way you let me know.

Much love to all,