

Prof. Alexander

Princeton, June 25th 1836

Mr Thomas W. White,

Editor of the Southern Literary Messenger.



Dear Sir,

I greatly regret to find on the cover of the June number of your work, this day received, that you have named me as the author of my last trifling communication. Not to dwell on the palpable incongruity of giving it real and a feigned name to the same article, - it was understood by me as the very condition of my mediocre contributions, that they should be strictly anonymous. There was at any rate, a propriety in leaving an author to be himself, the judge, as to which articles he would consent to own. I have already consigned to a private hand, for you, a paper on Greek Tragedy; otherwise I should fear to send it to the Messenger.

I am very respectfully Yours

Professor Alexander
of Princeton



1st of June 1834

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