

Lafayette College.
Aug. 2, 1879.

Rev. W. H. Belden,
My Dear Sir.

Permit me the
pleasure of presenting greetings on
your birthday, a mutual occasion, as
Aug. 3d. is also my birthday.

I have this morning learned
of your engagement in the Bulgaria
mission. I congratulate you on it,
and pray that a great blessing
may accompany you in your new
labors.

Requesting to be remembered, with
great interest, to Mrs. Belden, I am

Most Truly Yours.

Selden J. Coffin

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BRIEF BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF THE ALUMNI AND FORMER STUDENTS
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The entire number of students matriculated at Lafayette College is 2400, of whom 272 are now in attendance. Of the graduates, 698 are professional men.

Of the entire number here educated 429 are Lawyers, 361 Ministers of the Gospel, 261 Physicians, 140 Professors and Teachers, 31 Editors, 127 Civil or Mining Engineers, 67 Officers of Railroads or in the United States Army, 33 Bank Officers, 72 Farmers, and 317 are Manufacturers or Merchants. 67 are named as early Dead, and the occupations of 225 of the Former Students are unknown.

Public office, Legislative, Executive or Judicial, has been held by 187, 16 have been Presidents of Colleges, or Professors in Theological or Medical Schools, 22 have been Foreign missionaries, of whom four have translated the Bible into other tongues. Forty are recorded as Authors. In the Military Service of their Country 230 have been engaged. The roll of Deceased numbers 369.

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