

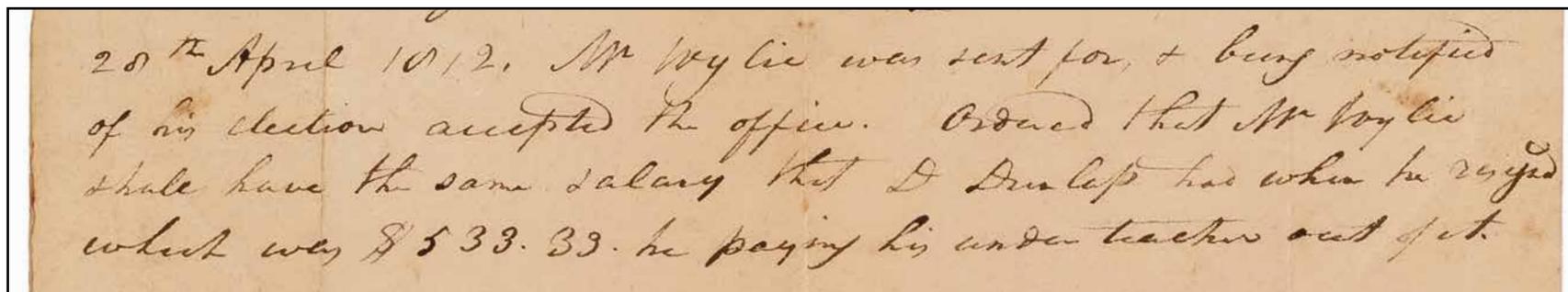
(Andrew Wylie)

Holograph Document Unsigned concerning the potential merger of Jefferson College with Washington College, and giving Andrew Wylie a raise, 1815

\$2500

Small leaf of laid paper. 7½" x 6". Old folds with small tear and creases at the corners, near very good. A statement about negotiations to merge the two colleges in Western Pennsylvania. In 1811 Andrew Wylie became the President of Jefferson College. He led the effort to effect the merger and when it proved controversial he resigned from Jefferson College in 1816 to become President of Washington College. Wylie resigned his presidency of Washington in 1828, over a theological dispute, before eventually becoming the first President of Indiana College (now Indiana University) in 1829.

This unsigned document dated Oct. 26, 1815, but possibly in hand of Wylie and almost certainly in his voice, states: "On condition that the Board of Jefferson College do not see proper to accede to the proposals that may be made by the Board of Washington & that there should be a unanimity of views & considerations of exertions in supporting the interest of Jefferson College I will agree to continue in my present office till means may be put into operation for rendering the institution respectable. If however the proposals from Washington be such as to seem the preponderance & priority to the Board & Faculty of Jefferson College, my opinion would be that they ought to be acceded to, & my conduct shall be regulated accordingly." After this is appended a paragraph which was probably a sweetener for the increasingly disgruntled Wylie:



20th April 1812. Mr Wylie was sent for, & being notified of his election accepted the office. Ordered that Mr Wylie shall have the same salary that D Dunlap had when he resigned which was \$533.33. he paying his under teachers out of it.

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An interesting document showing Wylie's evolution from one institution to an other. [\[BTC#415880\]](#)

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on condition that the Board of Jefferson College do not see proper to accede to the proposals that may be made from the Board of Washington & that there should be a unanimity of views & concurrence of exertions in supporting the interest of Jefferson College I will again to continue in my present office till means may be put into operation for rendering this Institution respectable. If however, the proposals from Washington be such as to secure the preponderance & priority to the Board & Faculty of Jefferson College, my opinion would be that they ought to be acceded to, & my consent shall be regulated accordingly.

20th April 1812. Mr Boyle was sent for, & being notified of his election accepted the office. Ordered that Mr Boyle shall have the same salary that D Duncanson had when he resigned which was \$533.33. he paying his under teacher out of it.