Georgetown College, Jan. 25th, 1880.

My dear Father and Mother:

Your very welcome letter and kind present, for which I am very much obliged came duly to hand. I was very sorry to see that you were sick at all but thought that it was only a cold from the letter until I saw the post which said that you were recovering from a dangerous attack of pneumonia. As the letter was written on the 11th and the paper was printed on the thirteenth I could only think that there was some mistake or that you were taken sick very suddenly. You must all take very good care of yours.
The examinations commenced on Thursday and we had
written and oral Chemistry and
Mathematics. I guess that I
did pretty well on both. Toward
and regular class examination
regions and will continue
throughout the week.
We have been having nice
warm weather here without ice
or snow. I wish that you
would have a month or two of
it. Enclosed you will find
a pair of scalpulas for Maggie
which were given me by one of
the prefects named Mr. Gregory
who says that he takes quite
and interest in the McLaughlin
family, at least that much
of it which is here. I am
beginning to have some vague
no 'tions of coming home as
there are only about five months
more of school, but it is in
the divine future that our return
will happen. Give my regards
to Mr. Mullaly and tell him
that he owes me a letter. Give
my love to Maggie. Hoping that
you have recovered from your
illness entirely that you are
all well, I am,

Yours affectionately,

W.F. McLaughlin.