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To all whom it may concern,

This is to Testify that Mr. Wm R. Rankin has completed a regular course of Latin & Greek. He has also studied French, geometry, Algebra, Rhetoric etc. He has rendered me most important assistance this year in the classical department, much to my Satisfaction; and, no less so, to that of the numerous classes that he heard recite from day to day. I have taught none, whom I could regard his Superior, in Scholarship, irreproachable morals & gentlemanly deportment. He is commended to the kind regard & confidence of gentlemen who would honor & reward merit.

T. L. Kennedy A.M.

Thalian Academy Anderson Dist. S. C. Nov'r 18<sup>th</sup> 1859

Danville Ky Jan 12th 1861

This is to certify that Mr. W. R. Rankin is a member in regular standing in the Sophomore Class in Centre College, and that he is hereby, on his own application, honorably dismissed and cordially recommended to any Institution to which he may apply for admission as a student.

It affords me pleasure to add, that Mr. Rankin has, during his connection with  $\mathcal{C}$ . College, distinguished himself as a diligent and accurate student, and commended himself to his Instructors by his uniformly courteous and gentlemanly bearing in all his relations to them. By order of the Faculty.

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