

Cambridge, June 3d. 1851

Dear Sir,

Our rule is, that a student proposing to enter at an advanced standing must be examined in all the studies, which the class into which he desires to enter has passed over. If he comes from another College, he is not examined on preparatory studies, but only on such studies as the class have pursued in College; nor in any case is an examination in Modern Languages required.

It is not necessary that he should be examined in the particular books adopted here, but, in such a case, he must have studied other books of a similar kind, and equivalent in quantity.

If there are deficiencies in certain branches, and the student is thought on the whole competent to go along with the class, he is admitted on condition that he make up such deficiencies within a given time.

If your nephew should think proper to present himself for examination, he should be here on the 14th of July, which is the day for examination; or, if more convenient, he may be here on the 26th of August, when there will be another examination. If he should enter in July, he will have the vacation for making up deficient studies.

I will send him a Catalogue, from which he may ascertain what studies are required.

I am glad to learn that you are making progress with your history.

Respectfully & truly yr^s,
Jared Sparks

Rev. William Bacon Stevens.