Genl. R. D. Lilley has been appointed by the Board of Trustees of Washington College their agent, for securing subscriptions for the permanent endowment of the College, & I take pleasure in commending him to all its friends as a Christian gentleman & brave soldier. He enjoys the confidence of those who have known him from boyhood, and has the admiration of all who are acquainted with his character & conduct in his mature years.

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