The word "alumnus" as used in this letter, refers to any man who has matriculated at the University, whether a graduate or not.

University of Georgia.

DEAR SIR:

As an important part of the celebration of the Centennial of the University, the Board of Trustees has ordered the preparation and publication of a CENTENNIAL ALUMNI CATALOGUE, to contain, as far as possible, a full but concise account of the life and services of all the alumni during the century.

The hearty co-operatfon of all living alumni, and of the relatives and friends of all deceased, is necessary to the success of the undertaking. Your prompt and careful attention to the inquiries set forth below will be a real service to the University, and will be most cordially appreciated. If you are not able to give the information under any head, please leave the space *blank*, so that it may be filled by others.

The alma mater again extends to all alumni a hearty invitation to join with her in the celebration of the Centennial, June 12th—19th, 1901.

Fraternally yours,

WALTER B. HILL,

Chancellor.

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1. Name, in full, (Do not use initials):

Henry Phillip Thomas

2. Address; state, county, city, street and number: (before his death)

Lawrenceville, Gwinnette County, Georgia.

3. Place and time of birth:

Clarke County, Georgia, In the year 1810.

4. Date of entrance, with class entered:

He entered college ~~in~~ at the beginning of the Scolastic year ~~1828~~ of 1828 or 1829 — was in college four years with the class that entered at that date.

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5. College honors, or distinctions of any kind:

There were no litterary honors ~~in his class~~ conferred in his class at the time of graduation. He was captain of a military company composed of the students of the college, was captain, I think, two years — the two last years he was in college. — The company was called "The Franklin Blues," — from the predominance of blue in their uniforms —

6. Literary Society:

He was a member of the Demosthenian Society.

7. Date of graduation, and degree received; or date of leaving college:

He graduated in August 1832 or 1833. —

8. Other institutions attended later; degrees received; with dates:

9. Honorary degrees; by whom conferred, with dates:

10. Member of learned societies:

11. Facts relating to marriage:

He married Miss Ellen Burroughs of Columbia County, Georgia.

12. Facts as to occupation and business life:

He was a lawyer by profession, but engaged considerably in agricultural pursuits.-

13. Public service:

(a) Civil: Dates and titles of all public offices, appointments, or distinction:

He served his county as State Senator, and was several times a representative from his county, in the lower house of the State Legislature.-

(b) Military: Dates of service, name of commands, offices held:

As mentioned in foregoing, he was captain of the college military company about two years.- In 1856 he entered the Creek war as First Lieutenant of Captain Garmany's Company from Gwinnett county Ga.- When the company was organized, with other companies into a regiment, he was elected Lieutenant Colonel of the regiment, with Col. Elias Beall as colonel.- He served to the close of the Creek war in that capacity. He went into the ~~Comf~~ Service of the Confederate States, at the beginning of.

(c) ~~Positions in religious or educational work, with dates:~~

of the war, as the captain of a company from Gwinnett County. When the company was organized into a regiment (The 16th Georgia Regiment, Howell Cobb's Regiment) he was made Major of the Regiment, with Howell Cobb as Colonel and Bryant ~~as Lieutenant Colonel~~ a former officer of the U.S. army as Lieutenant Colonel. On the promotion of Howell Cobb to the position of ~~Brig~~ Brigadier General and the retirement of Col. Bryant he was made Lieutenant Colonel and then Colonel of the regiment. He was engaged with his regiment in all the important battles fought, upto the time of his death, by the army of Northern Virginia. He was killed while leading his regiment in the attack made by Gen. Longstreet on the fortifications around Knoxville, on the 29 of November 1863.

~~14. Writings:~~

~~15. Any additional information of a personal nature:~~

16. ~~Names and addresses of any relatives, immediate or remote, who were alumni:~~

15 ~~As additional information of a personal nature~~, — I will say, he was a man of great integrity and honor — of a decidedly military turn of mind — He was a very brave man — I never ~~knew~~ met one of his soldiers — soldiers who fought with him in the war who did not pronounce him "the bravest man he ever saw".

~~NOTE: If this circular is sent to the relatives of an alumnus deceased, kindly give accurately the date of death.~~

W. W. Thomas

Newnan, Georgia,