



FIGURE 20. 1823 Trist catalog, front free endpaper, showing pen trials and inscriptions written by Pierce L. Lewis, a student at the University of Virginia. Image courtesy of the Thomas Jefferson Collection, Rare Book and Special Collections Division, The Library of Congress.

ally prepared for the university in the earliest phase of the library's planning and was retained by the university until its removal by Pearce Lewis. Yet we remain alive to other possibilities. Millicent Sowerby observed in her introduction to the *Catalogue of the Library of Thomas Jefferson* (1952) that "the number of manuscripts to be read and examined was so overwhelming that it is impossible not to suggest that the student of Jefferson will be repaid by further reading of these, or that the publication by Princeton of the volumes of *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson* will