July 24. 1854

Mr Waterhouse.

On your application to me for information respecting the Waterhouse family, I immediately placed in your hand, the copy of a letter which I had before written for another branch of it, containing all I knew of its Genealogy, I gave you retaining the copy then delivered to you, that I need not have to go over the ground again. You remarked that there should be a Memoir of so distinguished an individual as my late husband, There should be, but a Memoir can only be truly made from his own heap of papers, which are in my possession ... If I should not be here to give it, an arrangement will be made to lessen the labor for another hand. The few circumstances of his life which you have collected are scattered abroad in various publications, known to the reading world. His professional course is on the Monument in Mount Auburn, where eulogy was studiously avoided.

You have gathered from College Records, that in 1812 his political course, and writings were so obnoxious to some members of the Corporation that he was obliged to

hand in his resignation. I will only say, that what was obnoxious to some members of the Corporation in 1812, may not be so to the Corporation in 1854.

I did not know Dr Waterhouse in 1812. but after I became acquainted with him, in course of a long correspondence, he detailed to me his professional ~~course~~ career. At that time he had the supervision of the Q Military Posts, of the United States Army, given to him by President Madison. Some years after, ~~it was~~ there was an economical reform in the Government, and it being supposed that he was provided for by a second marriage he was left out, in the new arrangement, to make room for others who needed office more than himself.

~~Its~~ As Mr Sparks introduced you to me, please present to him my respects and thanks. ~~He~~ He was well acquainted with my later husband, and having been President of Harvard University must also know the course of his Professional life.

~~with great regard~~

Louisa Waterhouse.

Sylvester Waterhouse.

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Cambridge.

at L. Holt's South Street.