

Cambridge 10<sup>th</sup> May 1821.

Dear Sir

As Daniel will probably call on you on his tour, I thought I would express in writing, what I do not recollect that I said in words, - viz - that I can hardly conceive a more fortunate lot for a young candidate for the ministry, who is rather deficient in confidence and in due deliberation, than what has fallen to your share. Far distant from your college companions, juvenile associates, as well as your seniors, you can, where you are, adopt & pursue that style of speaking, & deliberate performance which your own judgment tells you is best.

The Duke de la Rochefoucault says that "diffidence is a fault for which 'tis dangerous to reprehend those we would amend." There is wisdom in the maxim; and is one of those truths that is drawn from the inmost recesses of the human heart. You may take advantage of the opinion of

of your friends, but you must not allow  
them to compel you to depart from nature,  
lest your pulpit speaking should become  
acting, than which nothing is more displeasing.  
Deliberation can be acquired by habit, and a  
proper confidence will grow out of a little  
serious reflection, especially when the subject  
is very solemn, & none other ever ought to come  
from the pulpit. In every undertaking in life  
a man makes his way to respectability by a  
"modest assurance". In none of the three learned  
professions can diffidence be reasoned down so  
successfully as in that of divinity, because he is  
assured that "righteousness is as bold as  
"a Lion". The high calling gives a peculiar  
confidence to a minister of religion, & the so-  
lemnity of his subject naturally inspires him  
with a dignified deliberation. Were I a preacher  
I should be extremely solemn. In that your brother  
Henry is nobly gifted & Dr K. lamentably defi-  
-cient. I look upon coldness, indifference & an anti-  
-solemnity as a great misfortune in a man set apart  
to pray for others.

As you may never have the like oppor-  
-tunity, I hope you will visit Montreal: and if you  
do I hope you will get a letter to some of the  
catholic clergy, which will introduce you  
to their monasteries, seminaries & cathedrals.  
They have, I understand an excellent college  
in that city. I have been in very many roman  
catholic churches, & treated all their ceremonies  
with respect. In coming out of their churches,  
I avoided, as they do, turning my back unnece-  
-sarily on the altar, and that because it is a  
-lesion of eye sight. I know too little ever  
-to at, or condemn the modes of worship of any people,  
especially of that one built on the most profound  
-knowledge of the uncultivated human mind.

You will I presume excuse the advisory  
-style here used, seeing there is nothing in it ob-  
-jurgatory, and seeing it comes from one  
-of your best friends

Bery Waterhouse

Mr William Ware  
Burkington Vt

Daniel will hardly see Luke Champlain these 3 weeks, or  
in his return

To

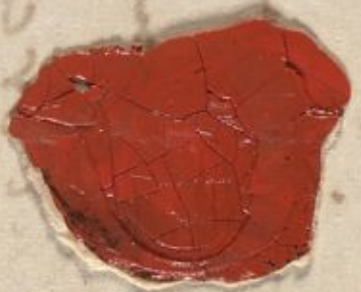


Mr William Ware

Burlington

Vermont

By Mr ~~Wentworth~~



Dr. Waterhouse May 1821  
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Cambridge 12 of March 1823

Dear Sir,

The special reason of my writing you, at this time, is to say that I have been just informed that there is a ship "up" at New York for Greenock. She is called the Ariel, Capt<sup>n</sup> Bragg, her owners, or factors Hattwick, Lee & Co. No 35 Fulton street; and that I shall send by the very first opportunity I can find, a parcel directed to your care, for Benjamin. Greenock is the port of Glasgow, & as near to it as Duxbury to Boston. We had letters from B. yesterday, and I am very desirous that he should receive the parcel I now send as soon as may be.

How the parcel will get <sup>to</sup> you, I do not yet know as that is left to Henry. I think he said he should put it under the care of Mr Bond who has communication with New York — I say this that you may enquire of those with whom Mr B. usually communicates.

Elizabeth, Mary, the two children & your brother were well yesterday, and so was your Father when I also saw

Notwithstanding an uncomfortable passage, Benjamin's health was greatly improved, so as to pursue his studies with pleasure. He will probably leave Glasgow by the last of May: about the time I suppose that you will be in the quarter. Mrs W. desires to be remembered to you, and hopes you will bear in mind the injunction, so as to obviate her veto. Yours affectionately  
Benj<sup>n</sup> Waterhouse J

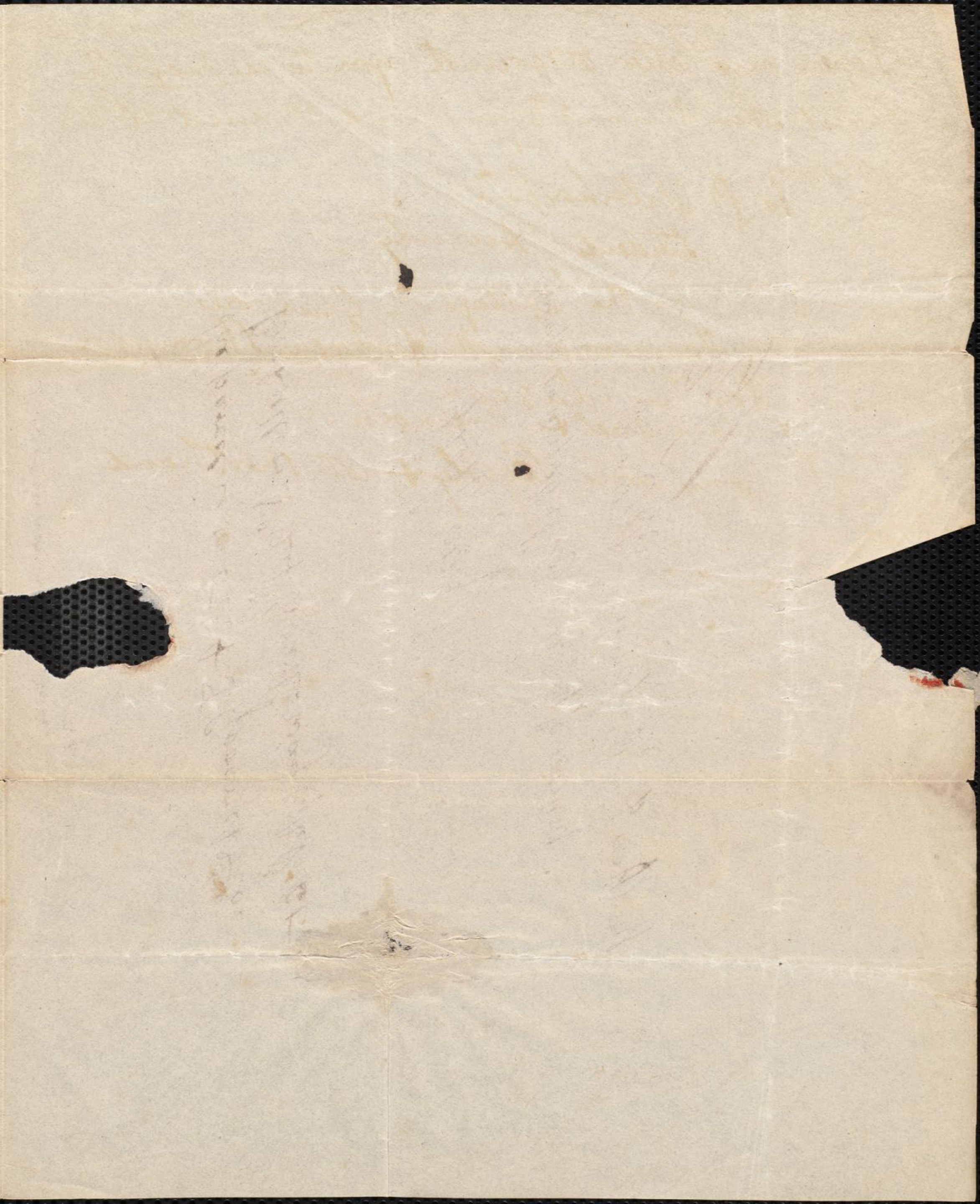
I open my letter to request you to recover the  
parcel when it comes to your hand & direct it as  
follows

To B. Waterhouse  
Student of Divinity

in the College of Glasgow  
to the care of Mr Andrew Thompson

Sen<sup>r</sup> in Glasgow  
Via Ship Aird &c. Greenock.

Pray write legibly & not short hand



*W*  
The Rev. & William Ware  
Minister of the First Congregational Church  
New-York

The parcel is sent to A. J. Goodrich & Co.  
Bookellers No 124 Wall-street by the Packet

Dr. Robinson  
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Cambridge 14<sup>th</sup> March '23.

Another letter! and another! Will there be  
no end to this Commission business—So much by  
way of Prolegomena! —

Yesterday I wrote to you informing you that  
I had sent a parcel via Glasgow & Steam-boat  
to Mr Goodrich & Co. booksellers broad way ~~to~~  
directed to you, with a request to re-cover it, and  
directed to Benj<sup>n</sup> in Glasgow to go by the Ship Ariel  
Capt<sup>n</sup> Pray for Greenock 20 miles from Glasgow,  
But all that is not sufficient; which occasions  
this letter; for should the sailing of the ship be delayed  
some weeks, & should she then have a very long  
passage, as often happens at this season of the  
year, Benjamin may have left Glasgow, as  
the lectures close in May. To guard therefore  
against this possibility, I must beg of you to write  
a line by the same ship to Mr Andrew Thompson  
Senior, saying "I have sent a parcel for B Waterhouse  
Student of Divinity in your college directed to your  
care; and should Mr Waterhouse have left Glasgow  
when the parcel comes to hand, I beg of you to open  
it,

it, as besides a letter to him, it contains a letter and  
some books for D<sup>r</sup> Rob<sup>t</sup> Watt of your city, with  
one or two more for your College Library —  
which precaution will obviate the evil of its mis-  
-carriage —

I should be pleased if you also wrote a line  
to Benjamin put into the letter bag of the same  
ship informing him of the packet sent, as di-  
-rected, by the ship, naming her & the Captain,  
as it would reach him directly; because no Capt<sup>n</sup>  
can enter his ship at the Custom-house until  
he makes oath that he has sent all letters to  
the Post office; whereas a parcel may remain  
in the Cabin of a ship for weeks, unless called  
for in consequence of a letter of notification in the  
ships-letter bag. My letter for B. is in the parcel;  
w<sup>c</sup> is like the man who sent from the country  
a present of a goose to his friend in London by  
the wagon, but sewed the direction up in the  
goose's belly with the giblets!

When I mention the ship Arvid, I wish to be un-  
-derstood, that it is the only ship bound to Greenock  
that I have heard of, and it is possible there may be

be some other going sooner. all which  
can be known by enquiring of the Glasgow  
or Greenock merchants, who abound in  
New York, but are rare in N. England  
I am ~~this~~ particular from experiencing  
delays & disappointments by not guard-  
-ing against contingencies in the course  
of my peregrinations.

It is the young & inexperienced who loose  
their trunks, & leave their sermons behind them  
and need, half the time, to be under guard-  
-ship. At least so says your brother's wife.

We were at the North-end yesterday, &  
found them all well.

I presume you have already received a  
parcel from me, sent on a week or two since  
by Mr Bond. I am not sure that Dr Holmes will  
let you preach in his pulpit after all; for he  
screws up tighter & tighter, & visits us, & we him  
less frequently. He is a good man, but a blind guide  
a pyramid on its apex. Beware of both extremes and  
farewell!  
Benj.<sup>r</sup> Waterhouse

Dr Note House March  
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Reverend William Ware

New-York



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Cambridge 5<sup>th</sup> of Sep<sup>r</sup> 1825.

Dear Sir

Having just returned from a journey to Port-land, your brother informed me that you were got back to New York, and that you had left Mary & the boy at Burlington, & that you were going for her the 1<sup>st</sup> of October, all of which is, I think is judicious, for change of air is one of the very best remedies for those infantile complaints w<sup>ch</sup> accompany dentition.

The special reason for writing to you, at this time, is on account of Andrew. I have just received a calm, rational & well written letter from him, in which he details his situation & mode of life, which I must take the speediest steps to ameliorate, as it is such that a man of his education & bringing up ought not to suffer. As a first step to its alteration General Dearborn has written to Colonel Bankhead to give him a Sergeant's warrant, or make him a ward-master in the hospital, and by all means to locate him in the harbour of New York, and not even to go to West-Point, for good reasons, well known to myself. When I find him stationary at or near your city, then I shall take steps to supply him with such articles as will render his room comfortable, as well as his bedding, & decent as regards appearance, for I now think that he has endured enough to make him think coolly, and speak & act prudently. More might drive him to desperation. — Accordingly

Accordingly I here enclose to you a Ten dollar bill which may serve his present purposes, for he has had no pay for two months past. I wish you would deal this out to him in manner & quantity, as you may judge discreet. He wishes to have a cheap watch, which I think absolutely needless. He wants a blanket, w.<sup>c</sup> I shall send him when I know that he is fixed down to one station, yet should you find that he suffer inconvenience or risk of health for want of one, it must be bought. He needs a few articles of groceries, for he has no other article to feed on but salt beef, pork & pease with coarse bread, — not quite so good fare as the convict in the State Prison —

I think it would be best to provide him with a half pound canister of shoushong-tea, and another with good ground coffee, and a proportional quantity of good brown sugar, for when they change their rate for these articles, <sup>with the sutlers</sup> they always get cheated in quantity & quality. In one word — I would wish, and so would you, that he should have those little articles w.<sup>c</sup> are absolutely needed for his health & comfort, as far as this supply of money may go, until he gets a new & permanent establishment, either as a sergeant or a ward-master, or Steward in the hospital, but not at West-point. — I should rather he should be at Portsmouth N. Hampshire, or Portland in Maine; but most of all where he now is at N. York; as we could hear from him, and he from me, should sickness, or any other <sup>cause</sup>

cause require it.

Mr. W's nephew Tho. Lee died a few weeks since at the Havanna of yellow fever, so called which though a very grievous thing to his aunt, & a relief to all the rest of us, on account of his wasteful and other bad habits. Had he lived, he would have lived the life of a vagabond.

In our journey to Portland we saw there an elegant stone Unitarian church, fast rising to completion. We heard Dr. Nichols all day, and the next had a visit from him & his wife. In Portsmouth we saw a larger church nearly finished of the same denomination, and in Salem another, which exceeds all for elegance. Unitarianism will diffuse a more correct taste let the corner stone be as it may - They told me in Portland that it was the religion of the rich.

I am very sorry to hear that Mr. Hall is in a bad state of health; and with symptoms that threaten a hectic with its deplorable consequences. The postponement of his ordination until the Spring was judicious - If you write to Mary, tell her we do not forget her. Not a word from Benjamin! - I should like to hear any thing from you relative to Andrew, whose case I shall not neglect yours affectionately,  
Benj. Waterhouse

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The Reverend <sup>the</sup> William Ware  
Minister of the First Congregational  
Church  
in New-York

