Westfield Dec 20 1799.

Dear Sir,

your very polite and obliging letter of Dec 10 came yesterday, and I thought I should give you my sentiments freely and without reserve on its contents. My former objections against engaging in the business of the Board were confirmed by time and reflection. The moment I was informed that the Board had determined immediately to call for my presence at that moment to show that my salary would immediately be less than that of a subordinate teacher who had no family to provide for. I therefore demanded the additional salary of a house rent which ever I should be turned out of doors.

This demand you yourself pronounce’d inadmirable. I judge and still do judge it a reasonable and admirable dec.

Yours...

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