To my very worthy Friend, Dr. Greenwood, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford.

Edinburgh, 14th February, 1650.

SIR,

This Gentleman, Mr. Waterhouse, went over into Ireland as Physician to the Army there; of whose diligence, fidelity and abilities I had much experience. Whilst I was there, he constantly attended the Army: and having, to my own knowledge, done very much good to the Officers and Soldiers, by his skill and industry;-and being upon urgent occasion lately come into England, 'he' hath desired me to recommend him for the obtaining of the degree of Doctor in that Science. Wherefore I earnestly desire you that, when he shall repair to you, you will give him your best assistance for the obtaining of the said Degree; he being shortly to return back to his charge in Ireland.

By doing whereof, as you will encourage one who is willing and ready to serve the Public, so you will also lay a very great obligation upon,

Sir, Your affectionate servant, OLIVER CROMWELL.