New Haven May 16th 1820.

Dear Oliver.

I have received your Letter by Colo. Huntington, which contains very interesting intelligence. I am happy to learn that the Young Lady to whom you are engaged, and [illegible] deserves an excellent character. I hope you both have well considered the nature of the obligations and the consequent duties of the solemn engagement which you propose to form. If the consent of Miss Conard's Parents is obtained, your promise will be irrevocable, and must be confirmed.

You have left nothing on my part to be performed, but a declaration that I am ready to receive and treat Miss Conard as my daughter, and your wife, with all the kindness and affection in my power, and to implore the blessing of Almighty God upon you both; - that your lives may be happy and prosperous, and your example such as will be honorable and useful to all with whom you now are, or may hereafter be connected ——

I remain, very sincerely
my dear Son,
your affectionate Father.
Signed (O.W.)

For
Mr. Oliver Stanton Wolcott.