

To the Hon.^{ble} the Chairman & other
members of the Investigating Committee.

Gentlemen

In a communication addressed to you over the signature of Joshua O. Howe, a trustee of the University, & dated May 25th, 1840, in which he assigns or alleges certain things, which he affirms to be facts, as causes of the recent decline of the University; among which is one which I beg leave to present to your consideration. It is stated in the following word viz "Shortly after the college got into successful operation a quarrel arose between Dr Myrie & Mr Barney & Mr Hall which went to such an extent as to produce a division of the friends of each & create a great disturbance among the students" & again referring to said quarrel he says that it produced the resignation of Mr Hall & the dismissal of Mr Barney. - That a "quarrel" did

take place between the undersigned & Mr
Harney is not denied: but the undersigned
denies that said quarrel produced the resig-
nation of Mr Hall, since that event took
place some eight or ten months previous.
In the communication of Mr Howe it
is also asserted "that the President of the
University was considered equally guilty
with Mr Harney:" thus the undersigned
takes upon him to say is so far from
the truth that the Board of Trustees
did not consider the undersigned guilty
at all in the matter. These matters
having occurred long ago, it is not sur-
prising if Mr Howe's recollection of them
should be incorrect: & as his allegations
are of a character to injure ~~my~~ ^{the} repu-
tation of the undersigned, he requests
you now to investigate the matter &
weigh such evidence as exists on the sub-
ject before the final adjournment of the
Board, some of whom were intimately
acquainted with the whole affair from
its origin to its termination. By so doing

you will do an important service to
truth justice & the interests of the Portu-
guese, as well as confer a lasting
obligation on, gentlemen, your

humbt Servt

Sept 30th 1840

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the other members of
the Investigating Com-
mittee.

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