

Mercury - Sunday Morning  
Dear General Rivers: (L2486)

Your reasoning is  
simply unanswerable -  
but you mistake my  
request - it was that the  
Band should play here -  
as you conclude to elsewhere  
I conclude that you do  
not object to this arrangement.  
Also, please send me word -  
my birthday treat is of  
little consequence - I thought  
the people, only a few, deemed  
to enjoy the moonlight  
dance - (we did not reach  
Larmer till dusk)

and have expressed a  
wish to have it repeated  
this year - I shall simply  
say that it won't take  
place, giving no reason.

As to our festival arrangements  
I agreed to everything that  
was proposed & all were  
delighted - I hope these  
small local arrangements  
won't interfere with yours.

People here seem very  
anxious to see you the  
any day during the octave -  
Farnham gives a tea -  
Hurdley more elaborate

Yrs very truly  
G. Waterfall

The people of whom I  
spoke as suitable for  
managing the reading room  
are very respectable - The  
wife was formerly a  
Schoolmistress at Chettle  
and then is a Mother  
& Sister who would be  
well able to look after  
the place -