

less & less distant when  
the inevitable part you  
place  
put your foot on the first  
step of the ladder, your  
long course of industry  
& close study, amounting  
you in your ability &  
spiritual determination  
you will mount higher  
& higher.

The long sympathy &  
solicitude of a friend  
is not new to a man  
who has been thus favored. He  
all the wise maxims  
of all the sages that ever  
lived - such is given  
by you by  
Your sincere friend  
Charles Walch

Have I  
the pleasure  
to present you  
with your first  
Law Book  
29 April 72

Thank you much  
you said yesterday of the  
-ditely omit though  
part of the "night watches"  
I feel confident that  
you have <sup>done</sup> wisely & well.  
Yes - in spite of whatever  
the future, all to us  
unknown, may reveal  
I for one will hold to  
the end that you have  
wisely decided -  
And as to the future  
it will daily become

Letter to J. B. Walker from his great friend Charles Walch  
on his decision to resign as accountant of the Hobart  
Savings Bank; and, to take up law.

To the President & Ex Com  
of S Bank.

Gentlemen,

Having determined to enter  
upon the study of the Law, I beg  
most respectfully to tender my  
resignation of the office which  
I at present hold of accountant  
of the Savings Bank. I should  
esteem it a great favour if  
the Ex. Com. should be able to  
make such arrangements as  
could admit of my leaving by  
the 30<sup>th</sup> June next.

It is not without many feelings  
of regret that I ~~leave my connection~~<sup>resign the office</sup>  
~~with the Savings Bank~~<sup>your institution</sup>  
~~in which for more than thirteen~~  
years I have endeavoured  
faithfully to serve ~~the Institution~~<sup>the Savings Bank</sup>  
~~under your control~~; & this regret  
is heightened by the remembrance  
of the ~~constant~~ consideration of

Draft of J. B. Walker's letter of  
resignation from the Hobart  
Savings Bank - 1872 -  
to study Law.

liberality & consideration with  
which ~~the Executive Committee~~  
I have <sup>ever been</sup> ~~always~~ treated by the  
Executive Com. For this &  
for the kindness which the  
Committee have uniformly  
shown to the family of my  
late father I beg to be allowed  
to tender my ~~most~~ <sup>most</sup> ~~very~~ <sup>very</sup> sincere thanks.