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Description: Letter from John G. Dillingham to his wife, Margaret.

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the givers of that Barrel that was
sent to our poor Boy I told them
I never should be able to repay
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