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Thursday noon

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Give my love to all our folks Mary,
Dorcas, little nudgen, Susan it will
not do for me to call her snow ball
for she would not be likely to except
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tell Eliza to save me a piece of her
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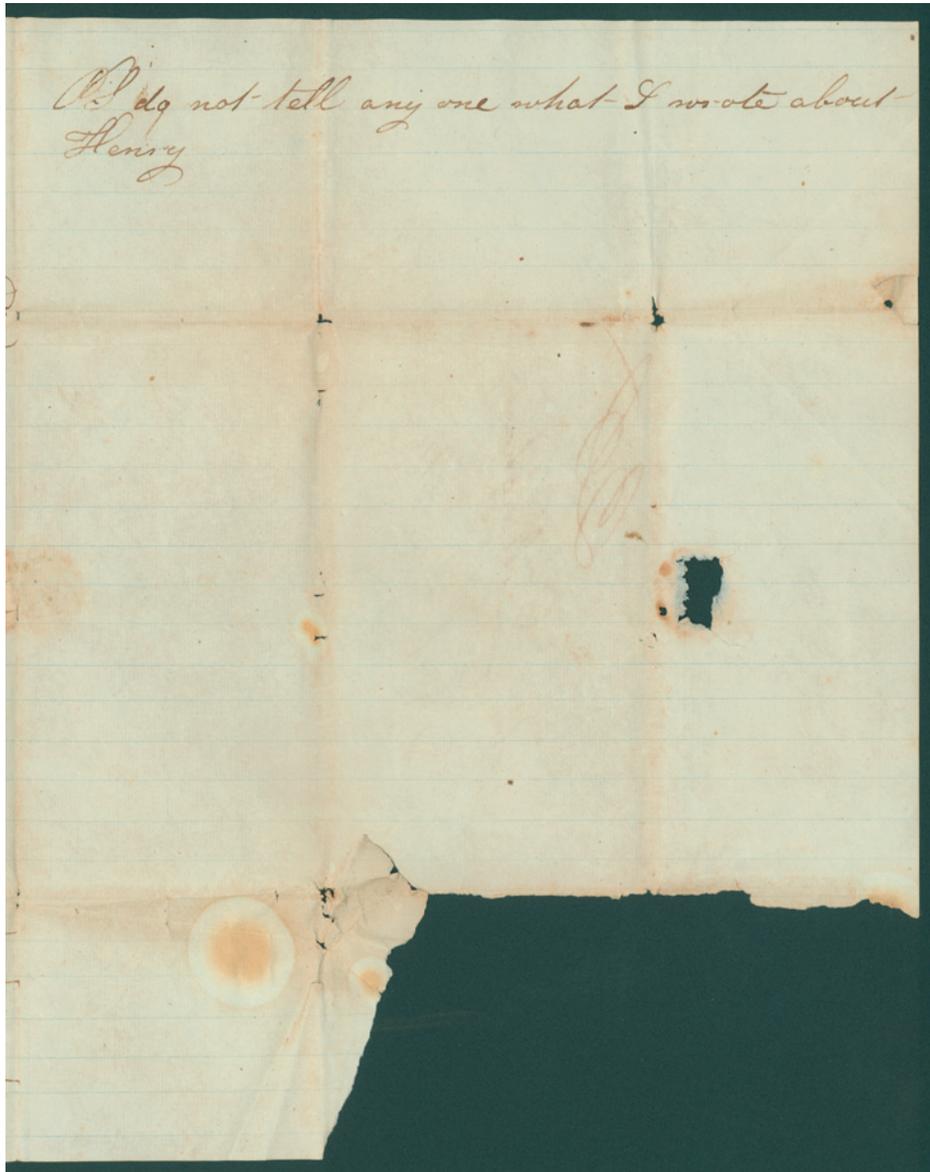
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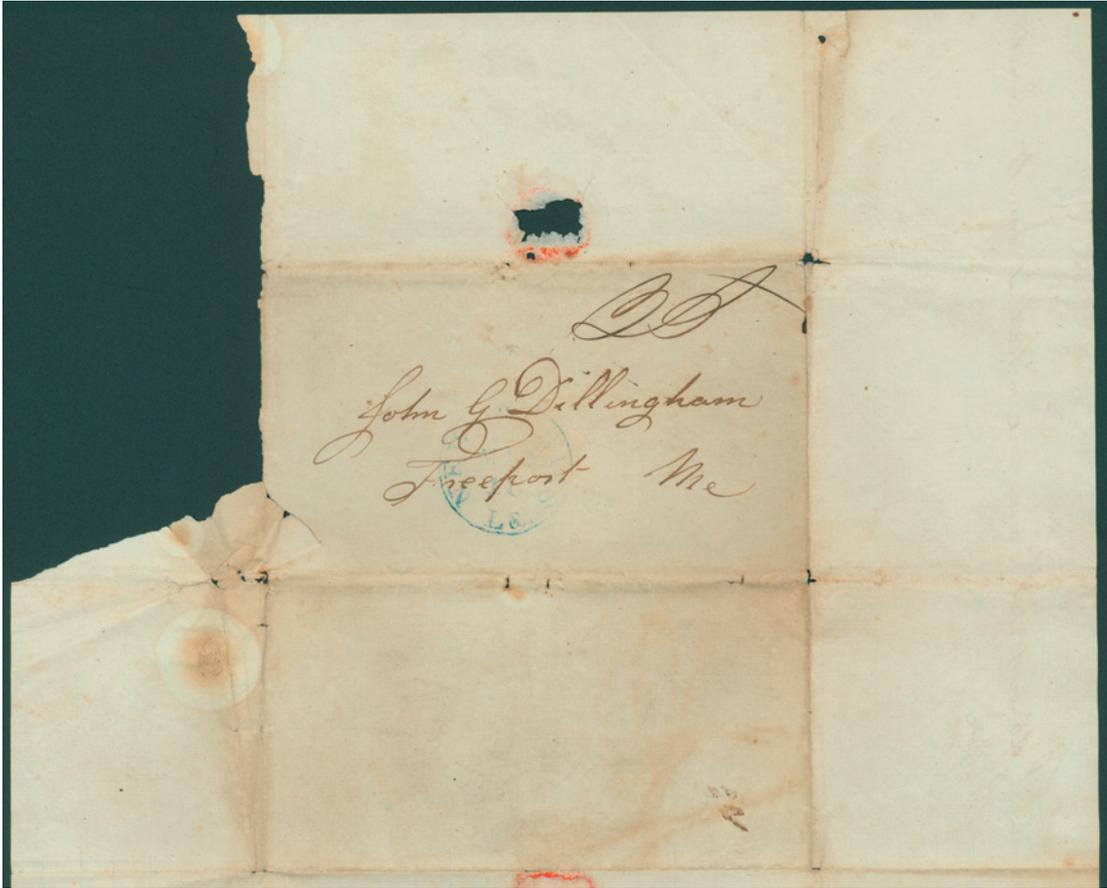
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PS do not tell any one what I wrote about Henry



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