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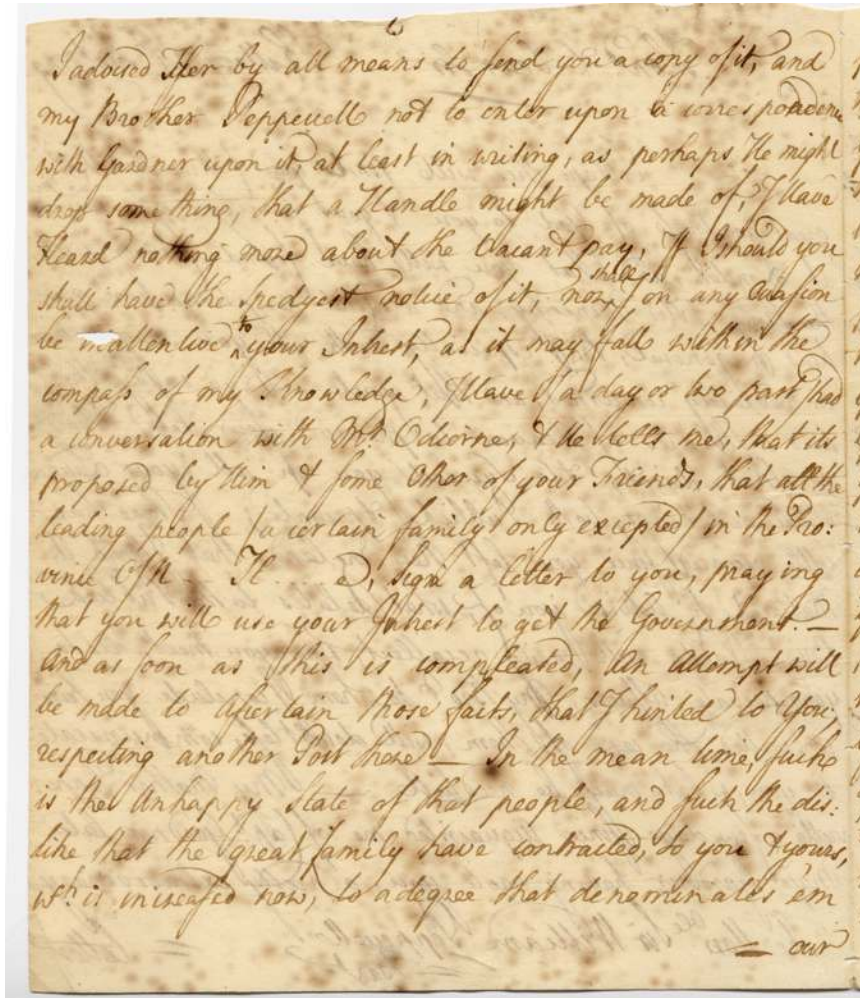
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Description: Nathaniel Sparhawk to William Pepperrell



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my Brother Pepperrell not to enter upon a correspondence
with Gardner upon it, at least in writing, as perhaps He might
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shall have the spediest notice of it, nor ^ I on any occasion
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of consequence, I think may be easily affected by the
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thought reasonable, y^t your family should have the
supply of Chebucta, & NY land rather than they.
There is now no Contract for supplying the
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for in the same way, y^t I proposed the Yards at Home
should be, & if M^r Wallaces Friends could find that the
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Letters on the ^{same} Question, and I beg you'd excuse me if
I say, that seeing your Family is situated in Trade so
near that Government, and those in power there at present
are far from being well disposed to us, Your Interest, and
considering too, what a vast Publick Blessing you might
be to the Interest of the Suffering Church, who receives
no Encouragement from the present Adminⁿ, and
also to the civil Interests of that people, I say Sir, that
inasmuch as so many advantages publick & private, civil
& religious, will be the happy consequence of your accepting
the Commission, what ~~the~~ ^{the} Advancement greater can you
possibly have? But I submit the matter with a sin-
cere petition to Heaven for an event, that will con-
tribute so much to the Happiness of a great Number
of His Majestys Subjects, as well as to many of our Friends.
I add lastly to my own private Satisfaction in life:
In case you should have this mark of His Majestys
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termine to embark for London in the Spring - Mr Cutt
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I shall think my self safe & happy, — The death
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