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Description: Mary "Polly" Tarbox wrote to tell her daughter about a trip to the country and the trip back home.

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Capt Jack wife; She drank tea yesterday afternoon
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