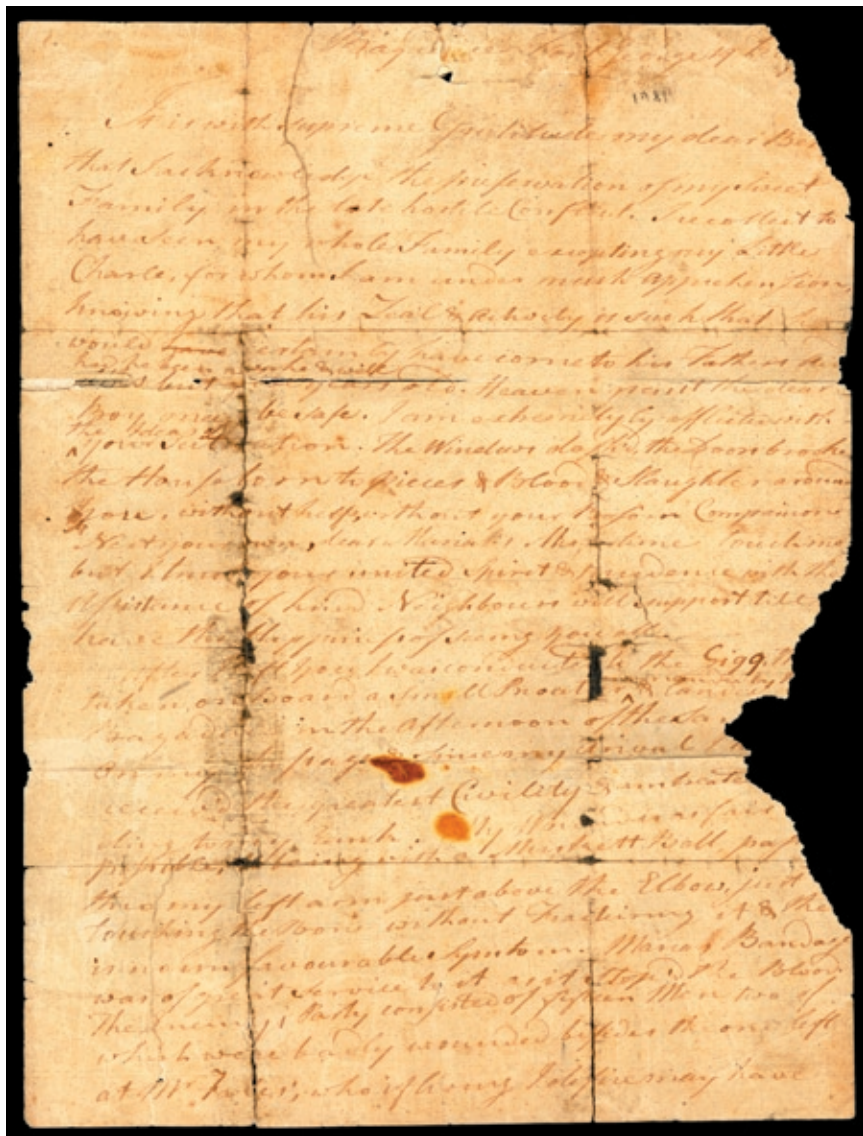


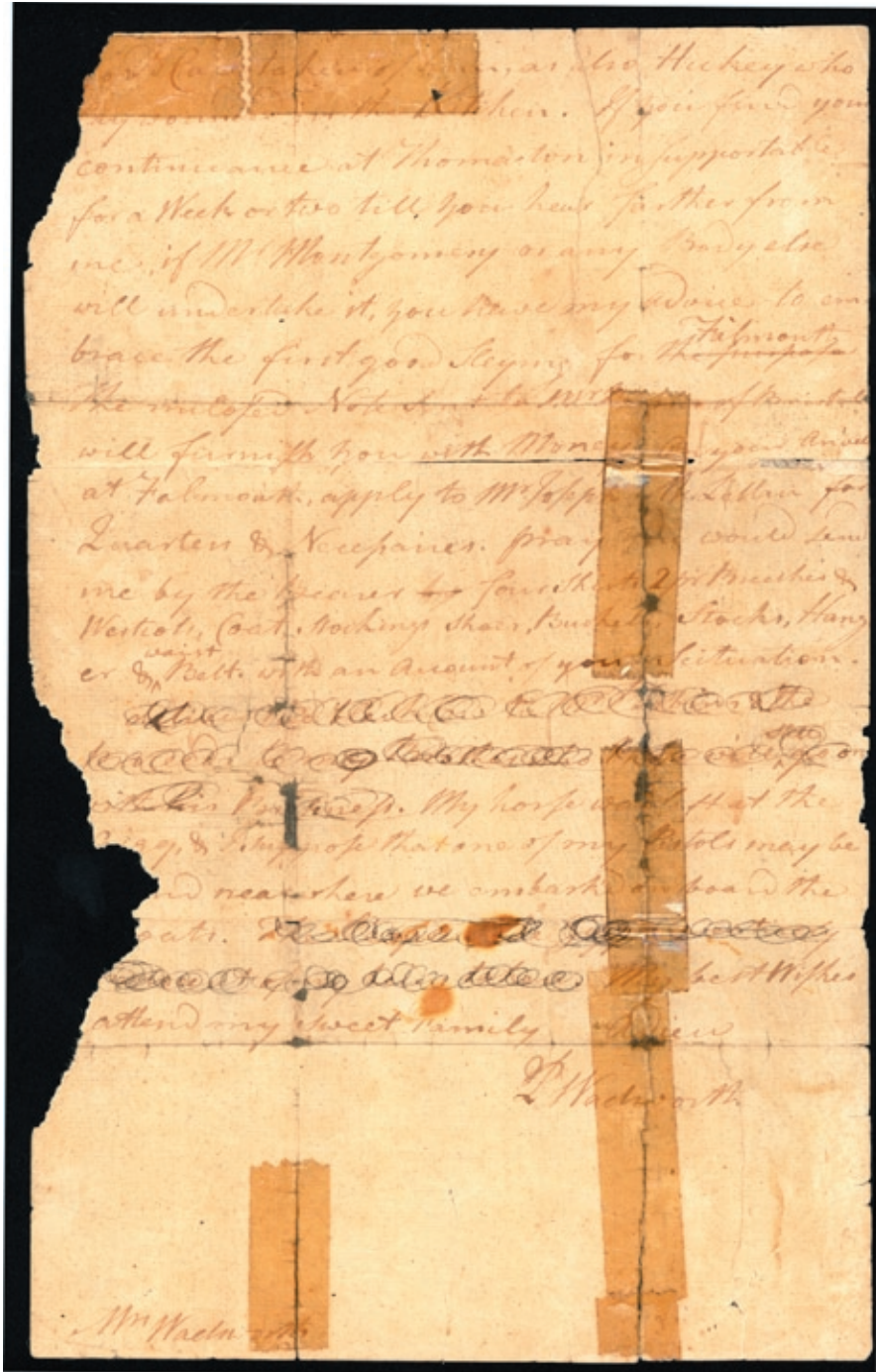
Bagaduce Fort George 19 Feb [1781]



It is with supreme gratitude my dear Bet[missing piece of page] that I acknowledge the preservation of my sweet Family in the late hostile Conflict. I recollect to have seen my whole Family excepting my Little Charle, for whom I am under much apprehension, knowing that his Zeal & activity is such that he would have certainly have come to his fathers aid had he been awake & well [missing word] but five years old. Heaven grant the dear boy may be safe. I am extremely ly afflicted with of your situation ^the ideas. The windows dash'd, the door brooke the House torn to pieces & Blood & Slaughter around you, without help, without your bosom Companion Next your own, dear Maria [?] Mrs. [?]time touch me but I trust your united spirit & prudence with the assistance of him. Neighbours will support till [tear in page] have the happiness of seeing you all.

After I left you I was conducted to the [?]igg [tear in page] and conveyed taken on Board a small privat[?]r^ [tear in page] Bagaduce in the afternoon of the [tear in page] Briso [?] & since my arrival [tear in page] reciev'd the greatest Civility & am treated [tear in page] ding to my Rank. My wound is as fair [tear in page] possible, being with a Muskett Ball, pass [tear in page] thro my left arm just above the elbow, just touching the Bone without Fracturing it & the [tear in page] is no unfavourable Symtom. [?] bandage was of great service to it as it stop'd the blood. The Enemys party consisted of fifteen men two of which were badly wounded besides the one left at Mr Fales' [?], who if living I desire may have

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[G]ood Care taken of him, as also Hickey who
[page torn] lay wounded in the kitchen. If you find your
continuance at Thomaston insupportable
for a Week or two till you hear farther from
me, if Mr. Montgomery or any Body else
will undertake it, you have my Advice to em -
brace the first good sleying[?] for [the purpose] Falmouth
The enclosed Note sent to Mr [?] of Bristol
will furnish you with Money for your arrival
at Falmouth, apply to Mr Joseph McLellan for
Quarters & Necessaries. pray you would send
me by the bearer-four Shirts 2 pr Breeches &
Wescots, Coat, Stockings Shoes, Buckels, Stocks, Hang
waist

er & ^ Belt. with an account of your situation.

[two lines scribbled out]

[scribbled out] My horse was left at the
[torn] & I suppose that one of my Pistols may be
[torn] near where we embark'd on board the
[torn]oats [scribbled out lines]

My best wishes

[torn] attend my sweet Family. Adieu

P Wadsworth

Mrs Wadsworth