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Description: John Dillingham to Margaret Dennison

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apart I cannot hear you hit I will still hope you will not say it and should you I hope you will speak so low that myself nor- no one else will hear it but I trust the girl that jumped out of sleigh - is the same Margaret that I left in Freeport about 3 months ago and if she is I am contented if there is three or four more Bridgets come into the place. You was saying if you lost all opes about going to Bangor or something like it I should not suppose there would be much difficulty in hooking

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should be glad to ^ lots of girls come into the place in hopes of seeing some that looked a little better than any that I have seen since I have been here that belonged to Bangor - the generality of the girls are very plain indeed I do not wonder why our Freeport girls get marryed as fast as they come here for they are handsome in comparison to the girls in this place

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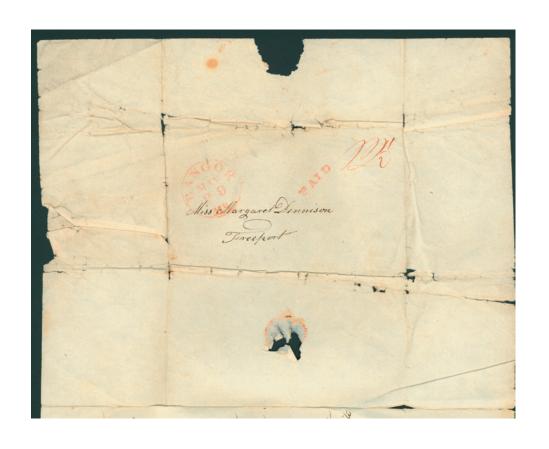
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Give my compliments to your Sisters and the ^ of the of the good folks I hope when you receive this it will find you in as good health as it leaves J G D Round as the ring that hath no end So is my love to you Miss Margaret there is more truth than poetry in that I will assure you



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Miss Margaret Dennison Freeport