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Description: Winfield Scott letter to Gen. Henry Dearborn

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Dear Sir,  
I have the honor to acknowledge  
the receipt of your letter of the  
10th inst. in relation to the  
proposed purchase of the  
land in the town of  
Dearborn, Michigan, and  
in reply to inform you that  
the same has been referred  
to the proper authorities  
for their consideration.

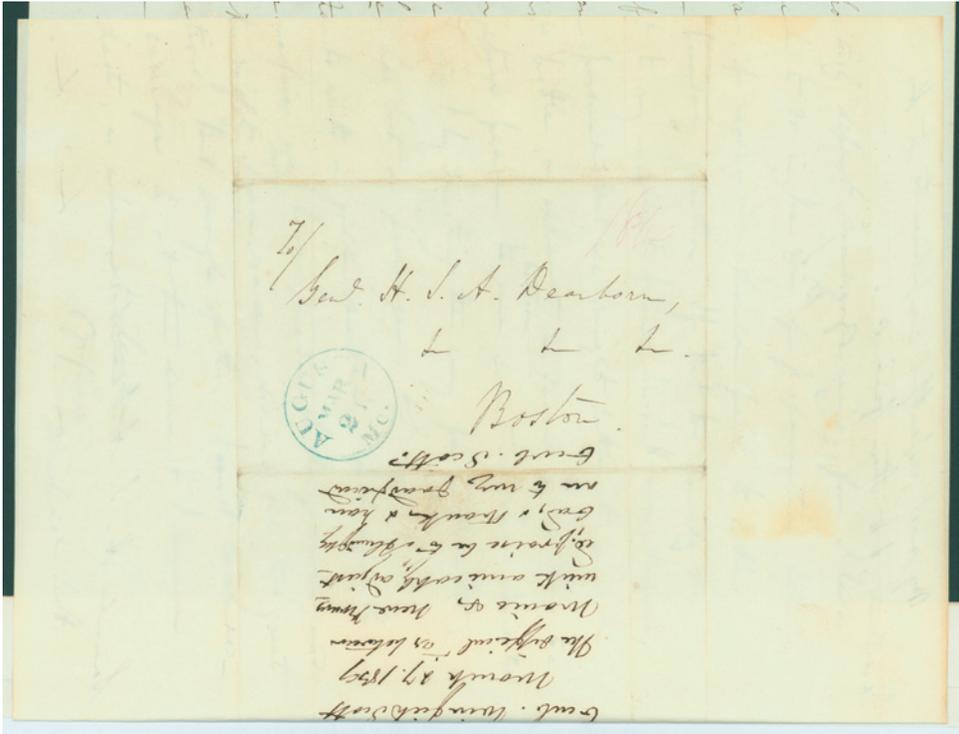


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To/  
Genl H. S. A. Dearborn,  
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March 27. 1839  
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