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Date: Nov. 11, 1863
Description: J.E. Mitchell to Persis Blanchard

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rather better contented but I cant like this
place any how. I wish we was away from here
I believe I have never told you about
the trouble I have had with Father Haven. when
Mother died she left some property in his hand's
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about it. he said he did not know anything
about it and Mother did leave anything with him.
I looked around and found out that he had
collected something like five hundred dollars since
mother died. I found he was playing a rascaly
trick. I have put the business into a lawyers
hand's. and if there is any law for such business
he will have to catch it. I got a letter last
night from Louella she all of the Yarmouth
people were on my side. If I dont get anything
out of him. I will make it cost him something
I am very sorry to have any trouble with him
but right is right, and I believe he is a rascal
I feel dreadful dumpish tonight. I cant
see the lines on the paper, you know that
I am famous for writing short letters and
this one will be the same old style.
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