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21st Aug^r 1777

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list his Brother & refuses to let me have the House he
had promised me to accommodate in, but the Boys have
put up a cabin on my own plantation which I hope will
answer the purpose as well & if the Doctor comes over
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some) but am in daily expectation of his being brought
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should they fail I think I must take another try
for Elijah Williams — There is no getting — Men
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The pay offered by the Artillery Officers being so much higher
but my Lady has snapt up a likely young fellow yester-
day whom I am determined to keep in Distance
till he complies — Harry Dawson, one of my Recruits
is, or pretends to be, out of his senses, & to be troubled with
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him — I should be glad to advise with you on several
affairs & should have waited on you personally but am so
tormented with Boils as to be unable to sit a Horse in

I left a piece of Cloth at y^r house — pray let me know
by the Bearer if it be sent to the Mill & oblige Sir

Excuse scarcity of Paper — O^y D^y most ob^d.^t P^rserv^r

Peter Grant

To Leven Powell
Sr. Peter Grant

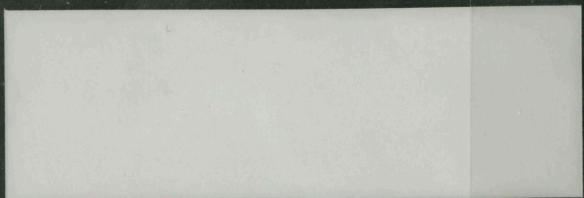
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