

Dear Sir.

Danville 19<sup>th</sup> January 1787

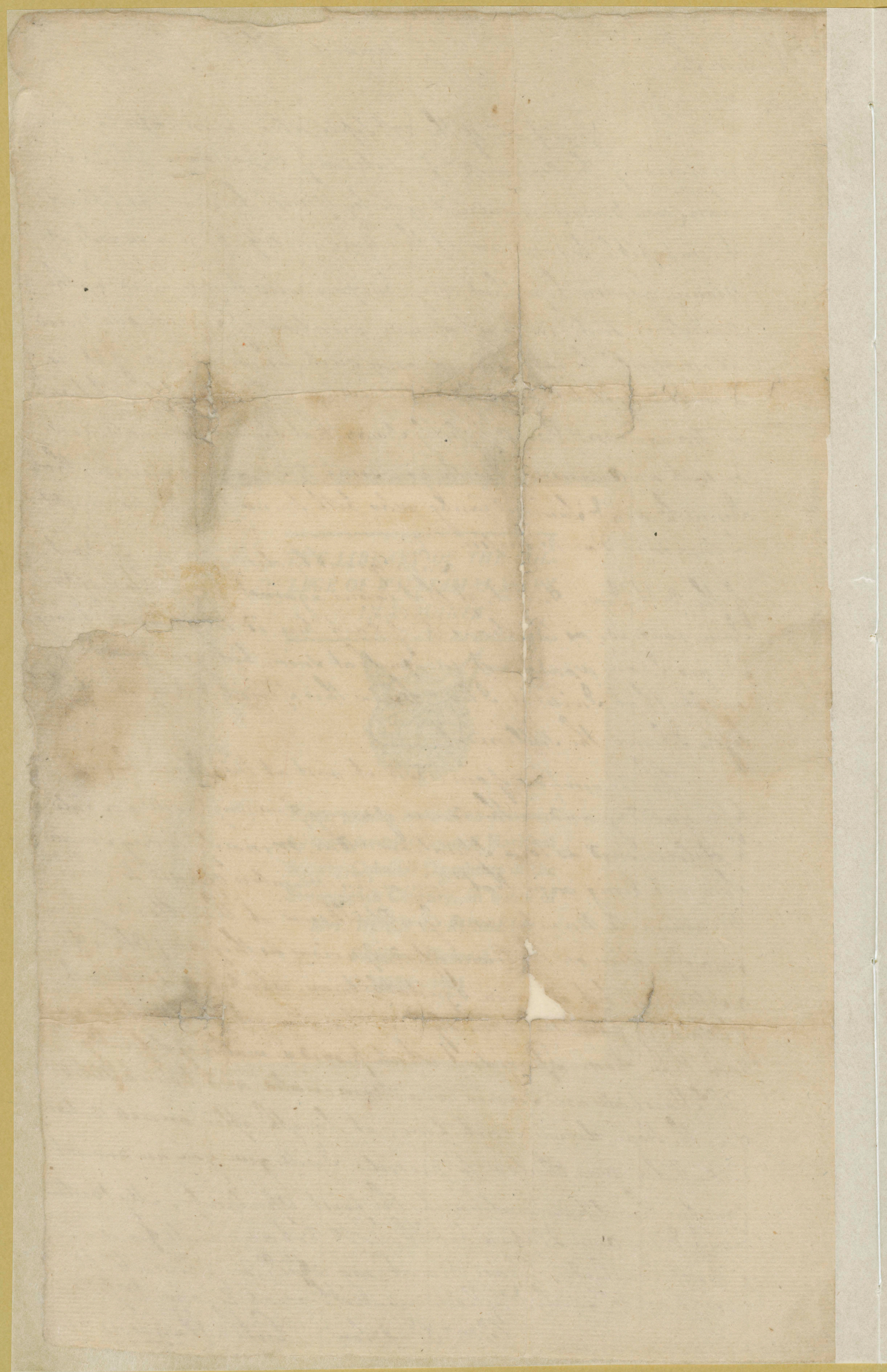
Your favor of the 27<sup>th</sup> September came safe to hand enclosing the Commission for taking Depositions, which I have done & now transmit you by Mess<sup>r</sup> Cochran, as I find it impossible to come in at this time myself from a want of Money, however hope that every purpose will be answered by the Depositions sent, as to what you mention of Swath evidenced tis impossible to can give in any such, as witnesses of it is a most absolute Falsity ~~as it is not possible to be true~~ as to what you mention of Swath evidenced tis impossible to can give in any such, as witnesses of it is a most absolute Falsity as it is not possible to be true as to what you mention of Swath evidenced tis impossible to can give in any such, as witnesses of it is a most absolute Falsity as it is not possible to be true

as, nor can Mr. Owen possibly swear that she was ever called in on such an occasion, I wish you some time ago requesting that James Craig & Samuel Carby who both know the Negro might be summoned, I as witness. I am greatly distressed in amount of the Debt I owe Herbert, if that comes against me in this country I am ruined, as the Scarcity of Cash here is so great that every Negro I have would not sell for that sum, but you may rely on it that I will if I live be in this Spring & pay the debt before I leave the Settlement.

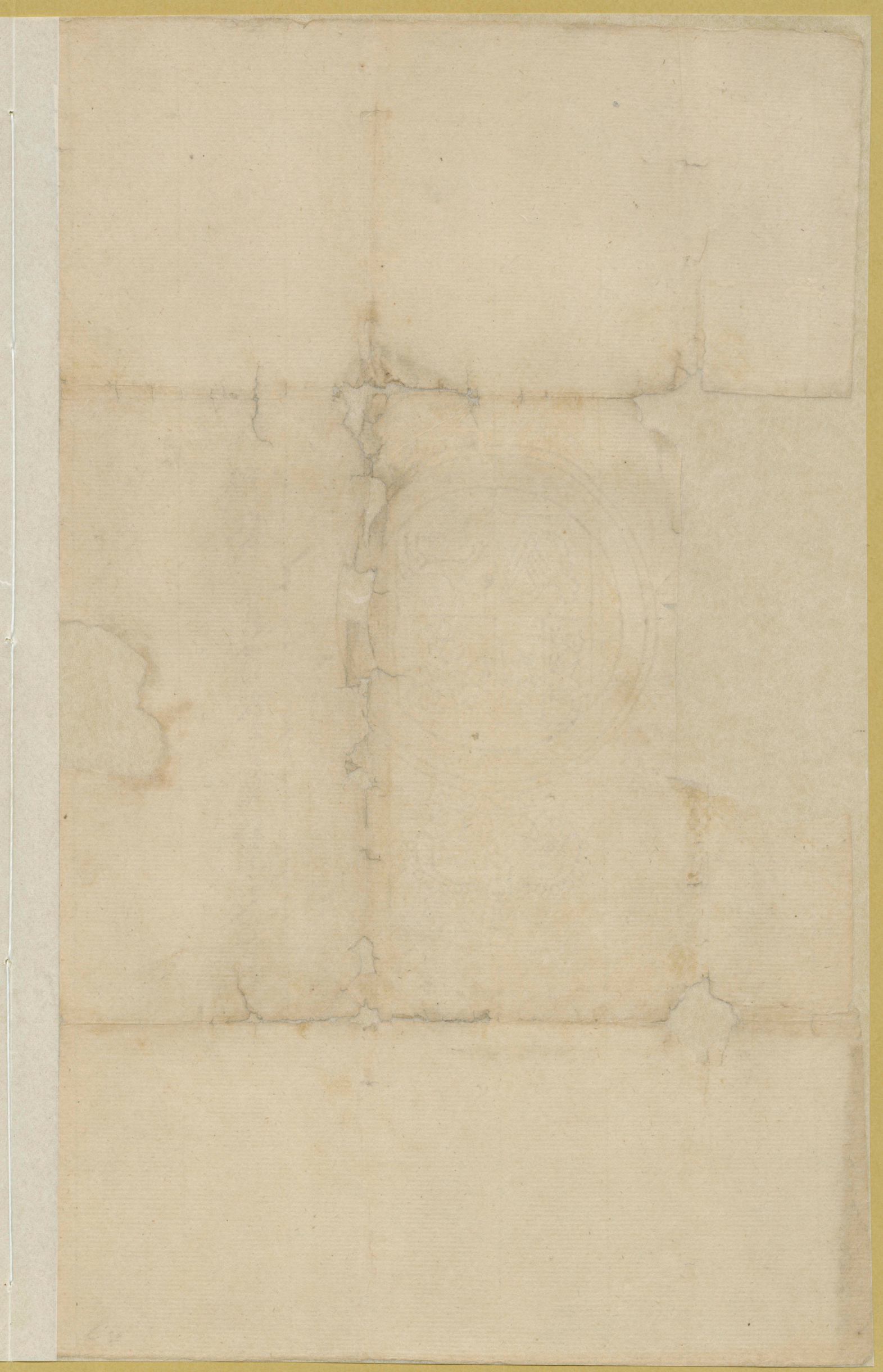
The Conventions of our District met at this place the day before yesterday, and in the course of a very few days will our fate be determined as to a Separation, Our Minority is very small there not being more than nine or ten Members opposed to the Measure, A Number and Gen<sup>l</sup> Wilkinson at their Head are for a Separation on the terms offered (Guaranties as they are) Others for a Separation but on more equitable terms, which they doubt not of obtaining from the Assembly, We have as yet had nothing more than choose a President which proved a matter of difficulty Col. Marshall and Innis were Nominat'd and twice balloted for, the House divided each time, at length after an exact Contest Col. Muller was Elected to preside, I will give you an account soon further determinations by the first Opportunity, My Brothers Family & my own I left in health, Col. Cochran waits for me so must Conclude, please present my affec<sup>d</sup> Compliments to my Sister and Family, believe me with great Esteem D<sup>r</sup> Sir.

Y<sup>r</sup> M<sup>t</sup> Obed Serv. Cuth<sup>l</sup> Harrison











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The letter Mr. M. G. Gibson will leave at 10 o'clock  
Friday Sept 21 forwarded from New York by express