

Cambridge 29th Aug. 1833

My Dear Grandson,

Several weeks ago, I found on my table a little letter about two inches long and an inch & $\frac{1}{2}$ wide, signed Henry the Third - and as I corresponded with none of the Kings of Europe, judge of my puzzle to know who it came from or how long it had been on its passage.

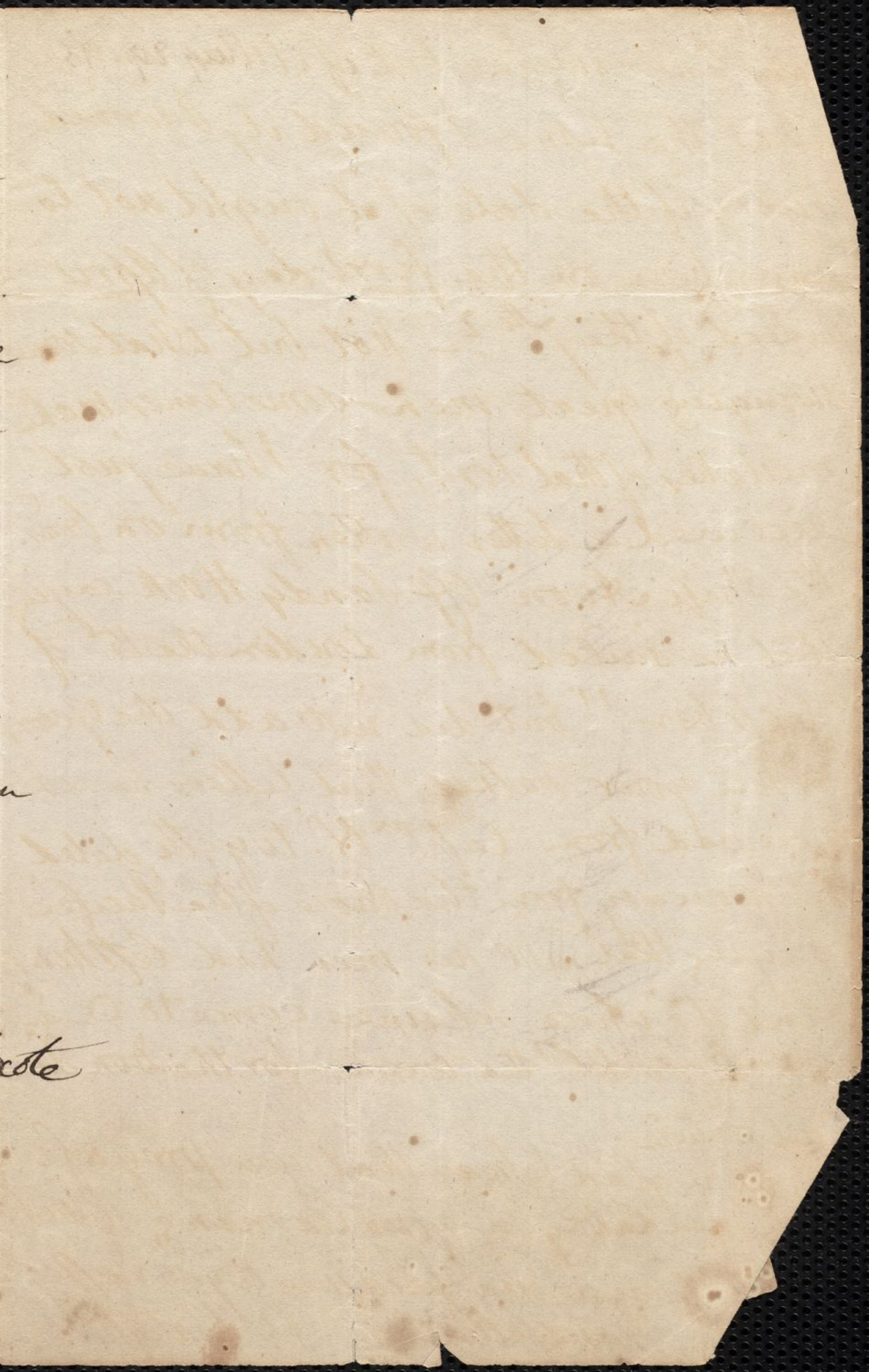
One thing might have led me to guess that it came from Rex Cobbleorum. It was dated April 7th! & contained a lamentation over his horse - chesnut, which he proposed to send to Madam Van P. to pasture, lest it should be injured on repairing the yard. The Epistle was both sensible & polite, & ended with a considerable flourish; which led me to suppose that he flourished in the 19th century. If it was written five months ago, and sent here last spring I have to regret that it has remained nearly hal-

year unanswered; but if it was written
about the time I found it, I would
query if the date of it ought not to
have been on the first day of April
instead of the 7th? - Not but what some
swinging great men sometimes make
mistakes of that sort, for I have just
received a letter written from on board
the Ship Avon off Sandy Hook saying
that he sailed from London the 15th of
October!! but did not add the year.

Tell your Father that letters have been
received from Capt^m. N. Wyeth dated
in January, from the shore of the Pacific
saying that all his men had left him
and the whole scheme come to O. and
he 5000 dol. the worse for the Don Quixote
adventure.

I am glad to hear that you progress
commendably in your learning, which
always give pleasure to your affec-
tionate Grandfather

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