

March - 18th

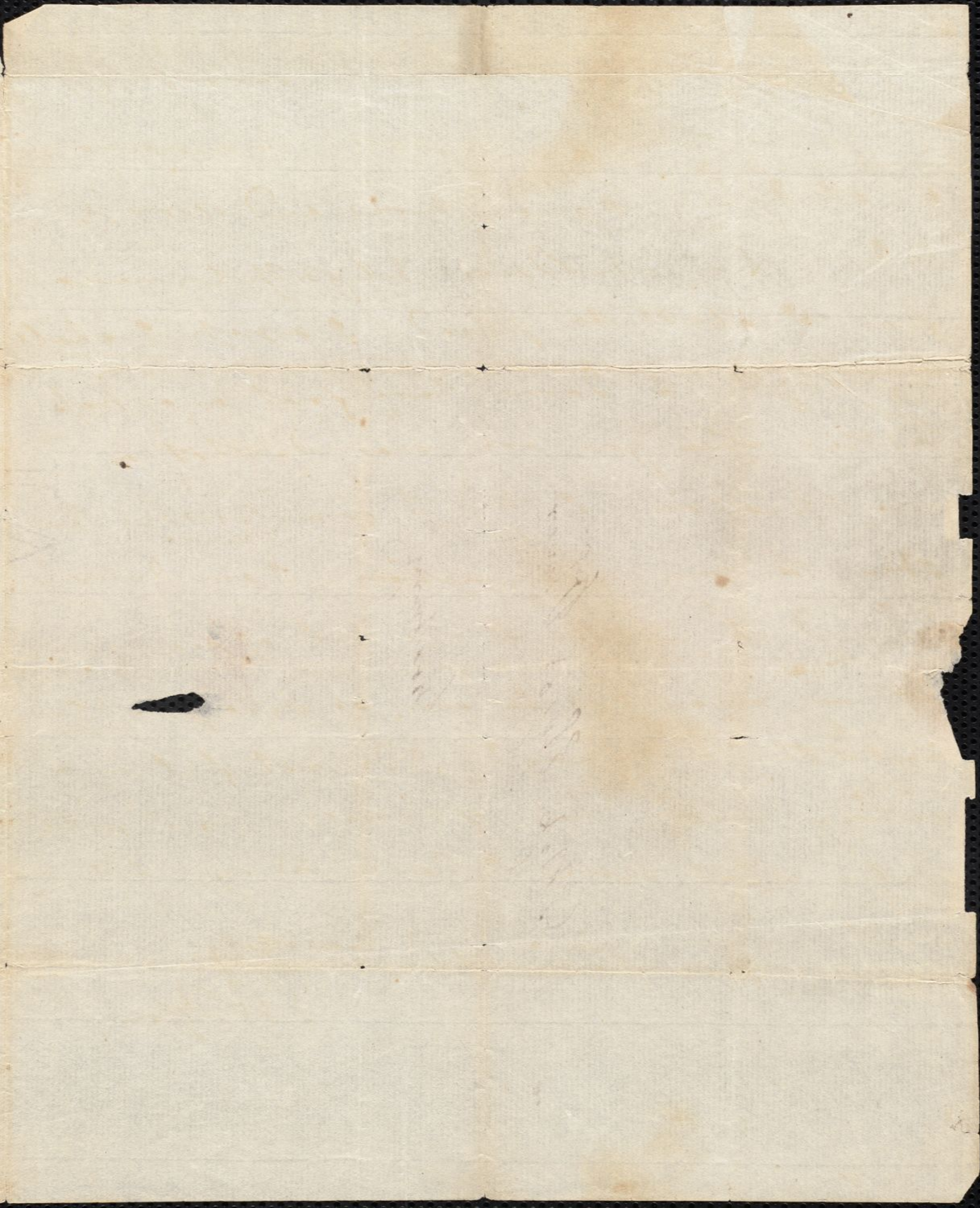
No my dear you need not
remind me that a letter of my inditing
would give you singular satisfaction - I have
the vanity to suppose it - nor my friend
I have I ~~not~~ forget that I reciev'd a very
agreeable letter from ^{you} - neither have I forget
the more agreeable writer - this is I hope
the last letter you will reciev'd from me
untill I have the pleasure of seeing you
- in a fortnight from this I expect to be
with you - do not let me be disappointed
the happiness of seeing you at the Plains -
I entreat of you to be there when I
arrive - I hear the — — is often with
you - I shall have a sweet time upon my

word

You and the Deers — saying soft
things in one corner. — Mr. Bonner
a studying agriculture and Mrs. B.
tending her children — delightful — never
fear I shall be pleas'd — I suppose I shall
be oblig'd to dance bare foot in a trap
shuttle when you are married — what a
mortification — I try to familiarise the
idea to my imagination — I am deter-
mined to put on a cheerful appearance

At my ownotions be ever so disagreeable —
isn't it the best way? I do not feel in a
writing mood this afternoon — for I will
defer what more I have to say 'till we

meet —
yours affectionately
E. W. Wagon



Miss Eliza Plumer


Providence



My dear cousin

June 10th

A few days ago I was happy enough to receive a letter from our dear and much revered grandpapa. I know not a circumstance in my life that ever gave me more pleasure it recalled to my memory all those past scenes of innocent pleasure that I was once witness too, you my dear. I dare say.

 with satisfaction the early part of your life when we both enjoyed the kind care of one of the best of men, my eyes fill, at the bare idea of never seeing this excellent parent more — grandpapa's letter is indeed a most delightful one, you shall read ^{it} my dear when I see you, I dare not trust it out of my possession long enough for it to be conveyed from me to you — grandpapa expresses his approbation of you and wishes an intimacy may

'subsist between us, in the days of our
childhood we were pleased with each other company
will you let it be so again? it lies intirely with you
for I am confidant I have not a cousin in the World
that possesses more of my heart than you do.

I enclose a seal your Grandpapa sent you perhaps
you will be at a loss to decypher it - it is impressed
with the twenty four letters - Offer my respectful
compliments to Mr & Mrs Bowdoin with my
best love to your good mamma do not forget David
when you distribute my love take as much to
yourself as you wish for and believe me your
affectionate cousin Elizabeth Watson



Miss Betty Oliver

Dorchester

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My dear Eliza I can allow my
-self but a few moments to thank you for your last
very, very, entertaining letter, I was grieved to hear of
your mama's being so ill, am happy to hear she
is daily recovering. The grand constitution is de-
termin'd at last, to my unspeakable satisfaction,
I don't know if the contention had ~~much~~ longer
subsisted, but I should have turn'd into what you
~~so~~ much despise, "a female politician", our
town seem'd much divided in their sentiments
while the matter was in agitation, which you
may be sure caus'd many altercations, and which
I could not hear without feeling interested.
Your friends on Wiltons Hill I find are much
mortified - how ridiculous do they make themselves
appear. I desire to rejoice that I am not in
possession of an uncommon share of sense

if I must be so often mortified — I hear
you had a letter of 20 pages from grand
Dapa, I am almost tempted to envy you
how partial grand Dapa is. — I had not
one single line from him, was he indebted
to you? — have you meet with any blue
quills — I intend to answer your letter
more fully by the next opportunity I have
not time at present.

Good by believe your

affectionate cousin

Eliza —



Miss Eliza Plow

Am^d by
Mr. Gathorn

Dorchester

my Dear Eliza

I am in general under
the disagreeable necessity of beginning
my letters with an apology for not
writing before - indeed my cousin & I did
intend myself the pleasure of writing
to you by my sister, but many
circumstances happened that rendered
it impossible, I read with satisfaction
your letter by Mr. Outman. I cannot
say that the first sight of it afforded
any very ~~very~~ pleasing emotions, the black
seal made me fear some disagreeable news,
I tremblingly broke it, and found my

fears at and end - Why my Eliza do
you ever commit to the flames a
page of your own writing? I charge you
never to do the like again. you may
insure every sentence dictated by you
will be productive of pleasure to
me - I should think you would find
it very easy to get your letters conveyed
to me - send them to Mr. Pennington
he knows of frequent opportunities
to this place - I can not my friend
give up the pleasing idea of seeing
you at Plymouth this summer, I
dare say if you wish to come, you
can find a conveyance - But my, I am
going to ask you a very serious question
and I expect you will answer it

as anxiously - I think ^{our} of conversation
and acquaintance will prevent ~~the~~ ^{it}
~~question~~ - If you do not you are at
liberty to be silent - Are you agreeing
to be married to a certain Doct -
your uncle Ephraim Spooner has
reported it in this town as a settled
affair - if it is the case and you have
too much diffidence to acknowledge
by words - seal your next letter with
a black seal - I hear your friend Miss
Compton is married - may she be as happy
as she deserves - you may be assur'd I shall
expect with impatience the last breath
of her grandfather - as I never till then
can by what you say expect perfect

Happiness. Let me know the next
time you have wrote to grandpa -
I fear you are before me in duty
for I have not as yet answered this
last letter. My best love to your
Mamma and Daniel and believe me
my dear Thya your affectionate cousin
Thya Volgen

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Papa and Mamma desire their best
compliments to Mr & Mrs Bowdoin
and your Mamma in which they are
join'd by your cousin —