

Dear Sir,

By the breaking of my carriage the first half mile of the journey I am baulked in my intention of being at Dover today. Counting with great certainty upon being there I have not given any orders to D. Nowling about hiring negroes for my Brother John. I wish little Joe and Abraham to be hired for him with their wives - all their children which are too young to hire alone or let out to near neighbours for their food and cloathing will of course go with them. Old Lity and Nanny may be hired for him also. I recommend it to you warmly to go as far as you can without risk of censure in setting up parents and children together - husbands & wives must not be separated on any account. Dover Joe and Ned if they do not go higher than 15.£. be good enough to hire for Mr. Jefferson <sup>for me viz. Dover Joe</sup> I think as the ~~other~~ is an extraordinary ploughman I can venture to authorize D. Nowling to go as far as 10.£ for

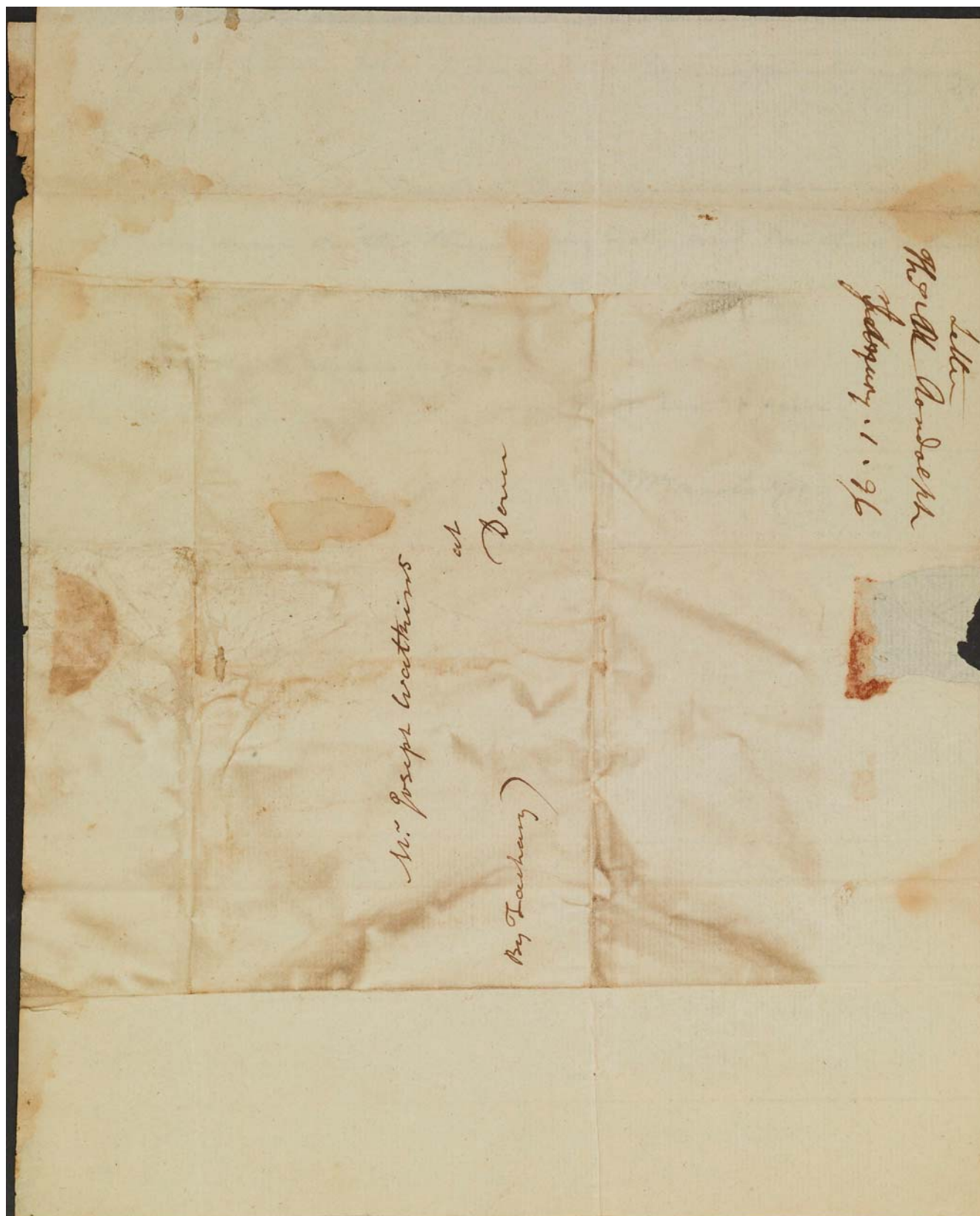
him for my Brother John if he should be disappointed in any  
of the others.

Pray mention to Mr. Hughes that we will call on him on  
our way down on the third - my Sister and Brother-in-law  
will be with us.

With sincere regards

your Mble Serv<sup>t</sup> & friend

Wm. W. Chandler.



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