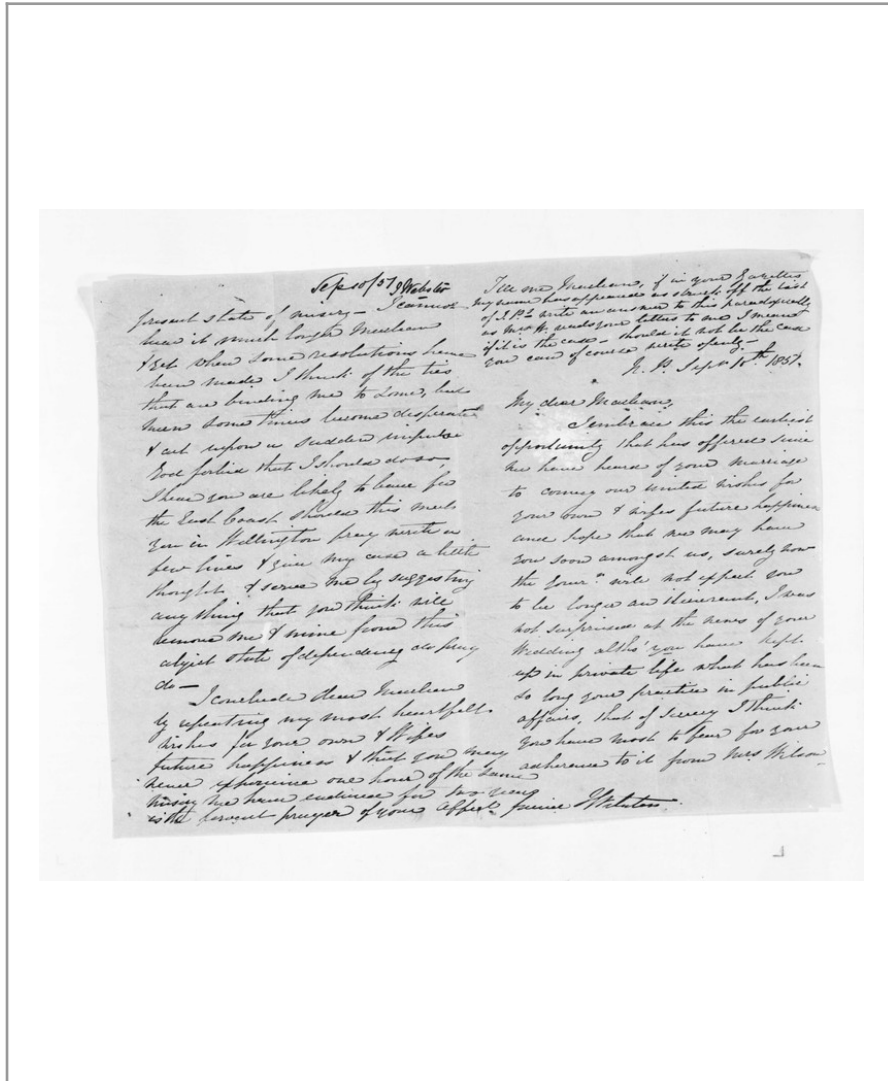


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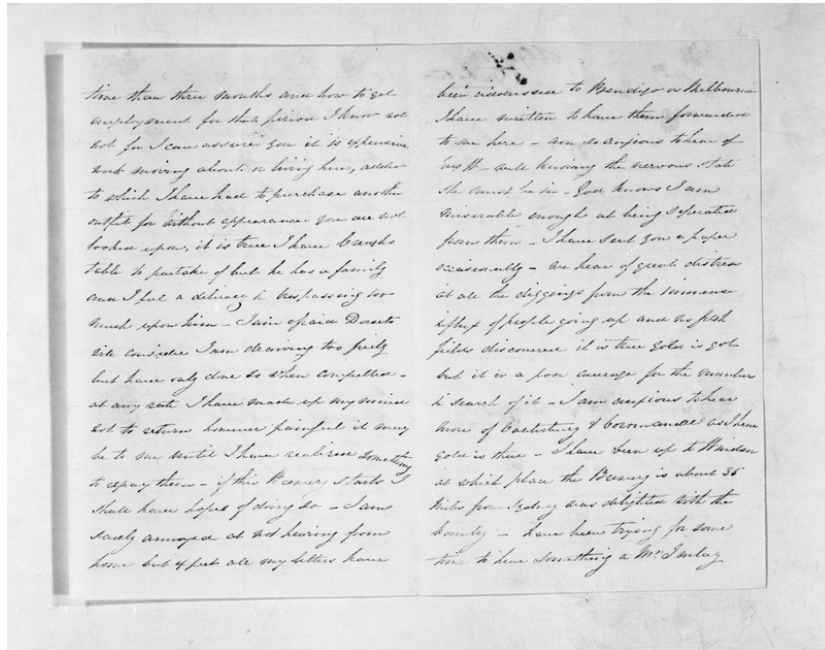


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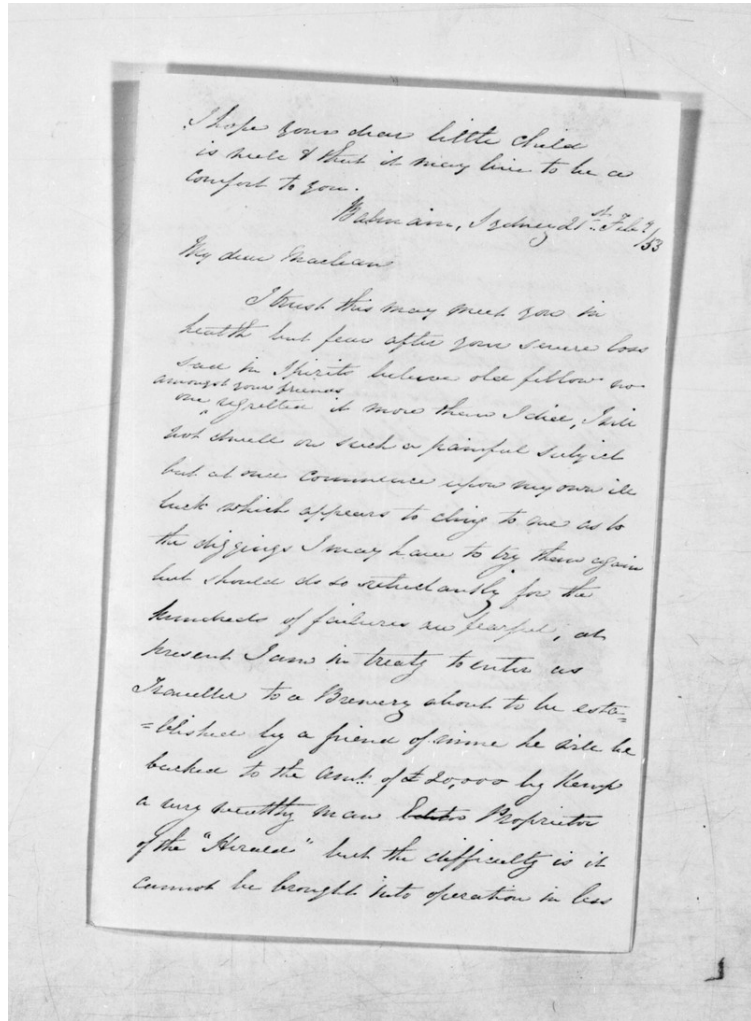
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who has been to Taranaki but cannot
 get his address I think he is about to
 return. and fearing from that, that
 some cause has been procured shall be
 delighted to hear it is the case. I
 frequently see Spain he is very civil and
 is most anxious that I should remain
 he says he is in hopes of getting some
 something to do for a time, though also
 says me not to return yet but all this
 time I am receiving expenses and no
 return - shall be delighted to hear from
 you as usual I hope though "How Accord
 Wharf Sydney. I hope you write occasionally
 to poor Mrs W - I do by any opportunity -
 I have written several letters to day so
 can't send them, with my best
 wishes for your happiness
 I am your very sincere
 friend
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I hope your dear little child
is well & that it may live to be a
comfort to you.

Walter Hill, 10th Sep 1857

My dear Maclean

I trust this may meet you in
health but fear after your severe loss
and in spirit believe also fellow
amongst your friends
and regretted it more than I did, I
do not dwell on such a painful subject
but at once commence upon my own
luck which appears to cling to me as to
the subject I may have to be there again
but shall do so reluctantly for the
hundreds of failures are fearful, at
present I am in treaty to enter an
= venture to a Brewery about to be estab-
lished by a friend of mine he will be
backed to the amount of £20,000 by keeping
a very wealthy man Robert Perpetua
of the "Herald" but the difficulty is it
cannot be brought into operation in less