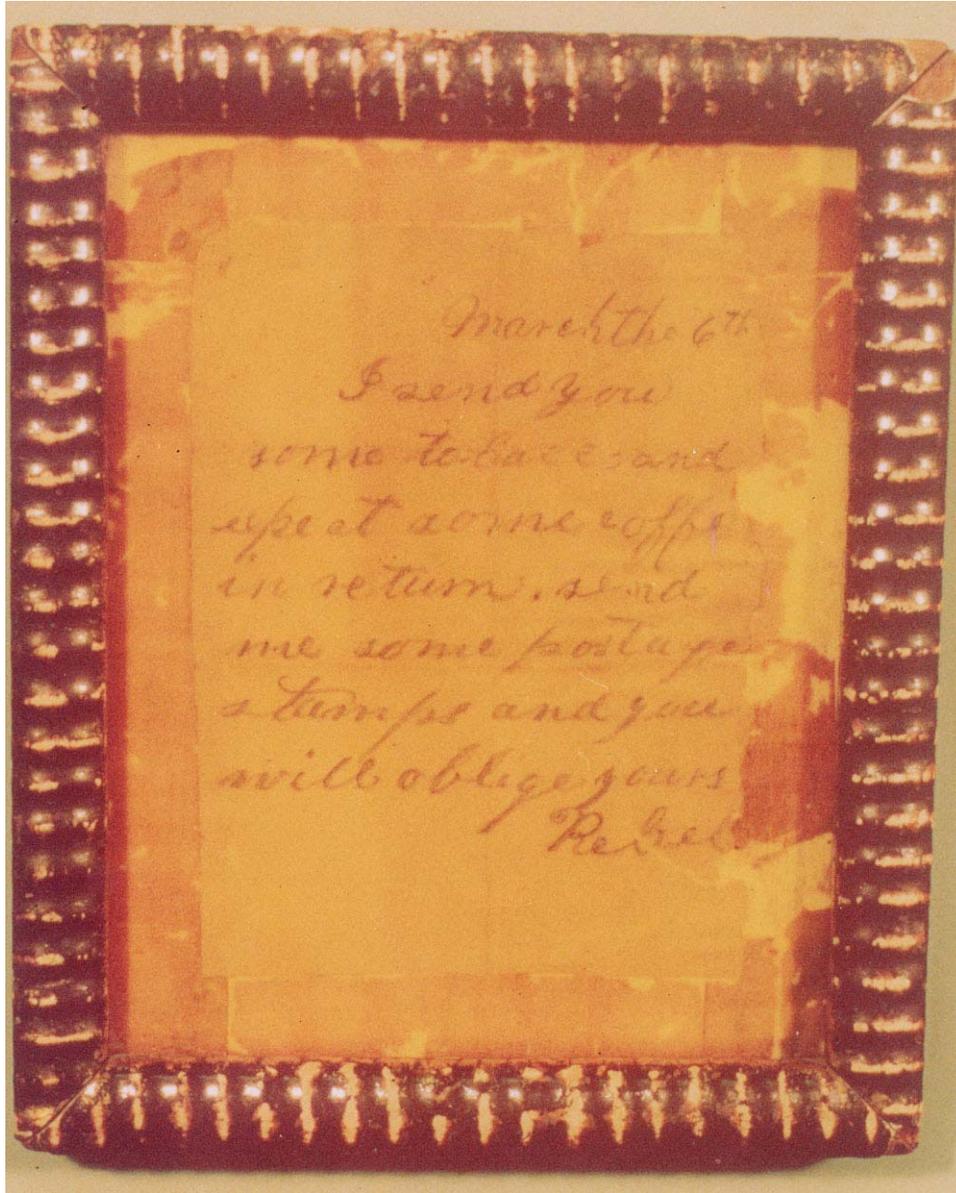
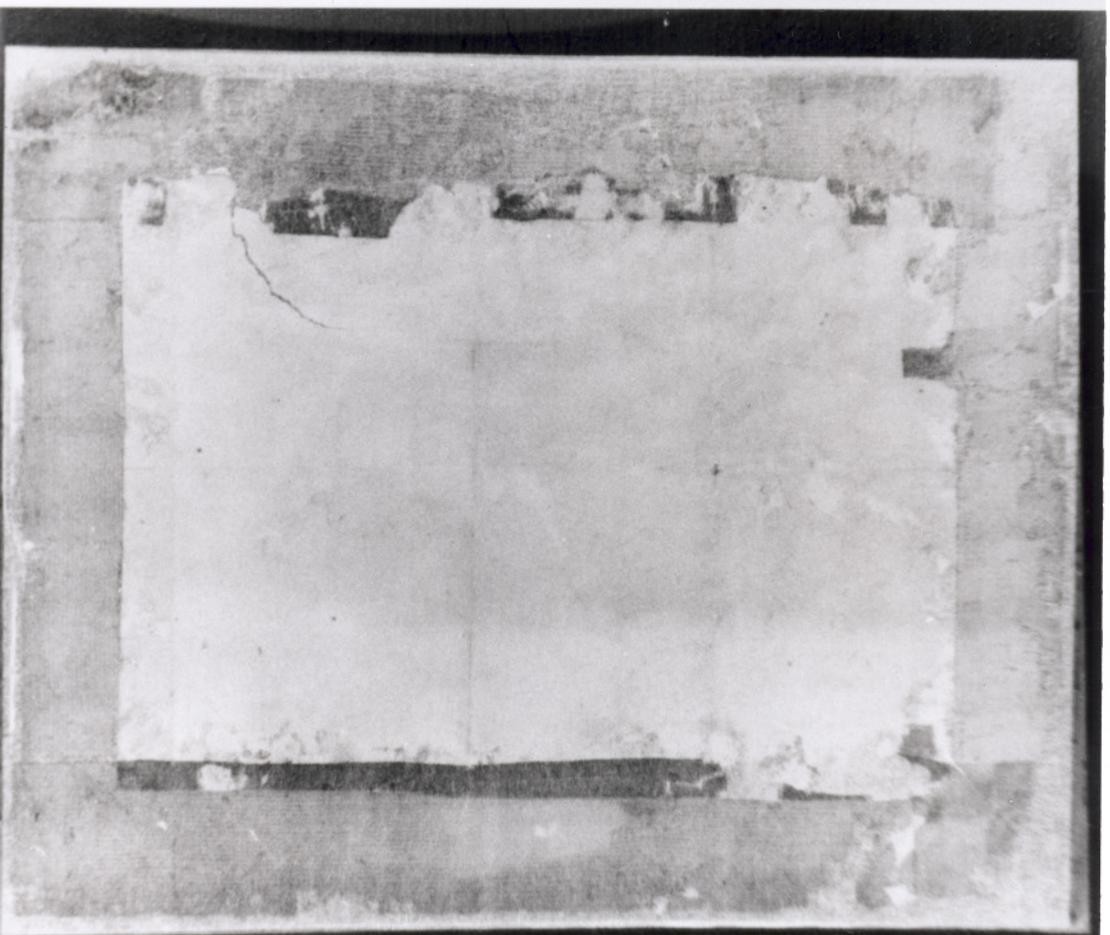
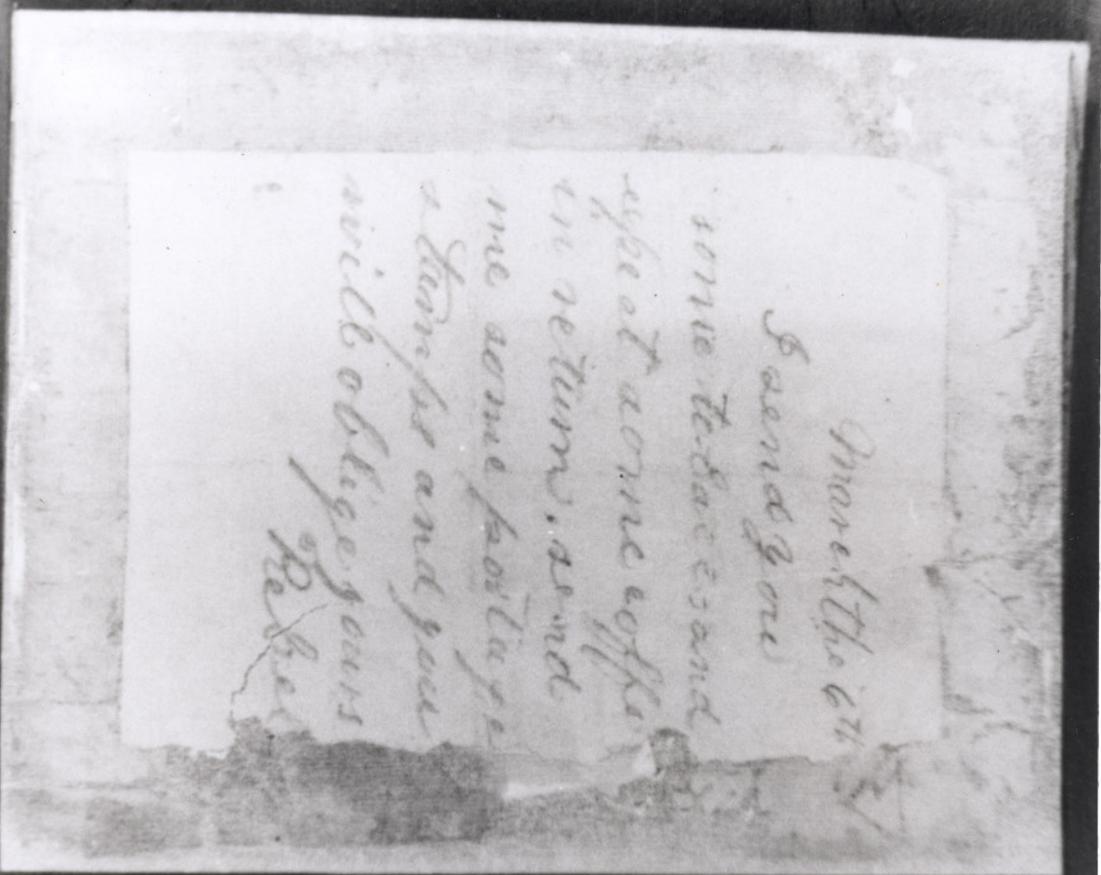


Theft of Museum Property, Cornwall Note, Catalogue # 827, April 27, 1960. Stolen August 31, 1990, Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park Case # 900297



### DESCRIPTION

Message stating: "March the 6<sup>th</sup> "I send you some tobacco and expect some coffee in return. Send me some postage stamps and you will oblige yours rebel". Text is handwritten in pencil on paper about 3 ¾-inches by 2 ½-inches wide. At the time of the theft, the paper was encapsulated in sealed plastic and mounted on a wooden backing. The backing was mounted inside a gilt-edged frame measuring 6-inches by 4 ¾-inches wide, and there was clear UF3 Plexiglas over the paper inside the frame. Before display, the frame had been repaired at the corners. A permalife dust cover was fastened to the rear of the frame. The photograph above was taken in December, 1971, before conservation with yellow Plexiglas over the note and the frame chipped at the corners.



Cornwall Note: Left Photo, front side. Right Photo, reverse side. Both taken by Dennis V. Dobson, conservator, 810 N. Daniel St., Alexandria, Va. 22201 (703) 243-7353. Taken August 9, 1985 without frame or plexiglass during conservation.