

I am leaving for James I hope you will not forget pray  
me your loving Mother a visit as your Brother John did the  
seven long years that you send him. Come to see me for if in  
Peace I could travel the ocean. I would night and day rove  
until a sight of him I see. Des loving sons I hope you will  
no ways neglect omit writing in answer to to this letter for  
day a month until such time as I hear from you again and to  
thy nature towards me des sons tell fall a small drop of thy blood in  
Answer to this letter with each ones name to his own and it is  
further ease my grief My Des daughter in law by name  
Mary Walsh I hope you will not forget me as my son did  
I trust in you you might have relieve me for I am now in  
need of some relief for all my grief I cannot relate.  
My best respect to you, Des <sup>James</sup> your sister Selby is  
Doleful after you and I plady you my word if you see  
now in my arms about you I think I would never part

won't your sweet-mother have complains of you not speaking  
of her name in your letter and send you her best resp  
likewise to John wife and family and are in hope to be  
you there in the Course of time please God:

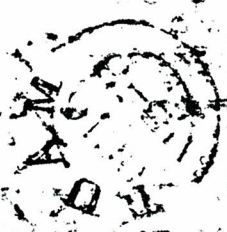
Des offsprings James Loftus and family is perfectly well and so  
is Peter and family Thomas Redington and Family Andrew Loft  
and wife she all send you their best resp. likewise all

Neighbouring boys this winter feels very lonesome for James  
this winter see your Cousin Andrew Loftus was engaged in  
Quarrymount and your uncle James at the affairs of gale  
that they could not reach to write your letter but it  
was wrote by Daniel Mullany whom had a great  
veneration toward you and send you his best respects

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To John Welch  
County, State of New York

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The undersigned has written to Mr. and Mrs. Walter  
and Mrs. David Conover Moxey and Mark Conover  
John Lott and wife and family James Cruise  
and John Michael in New Brunswick Lott and  
Martin and you this but respect and wish to  
see you yet