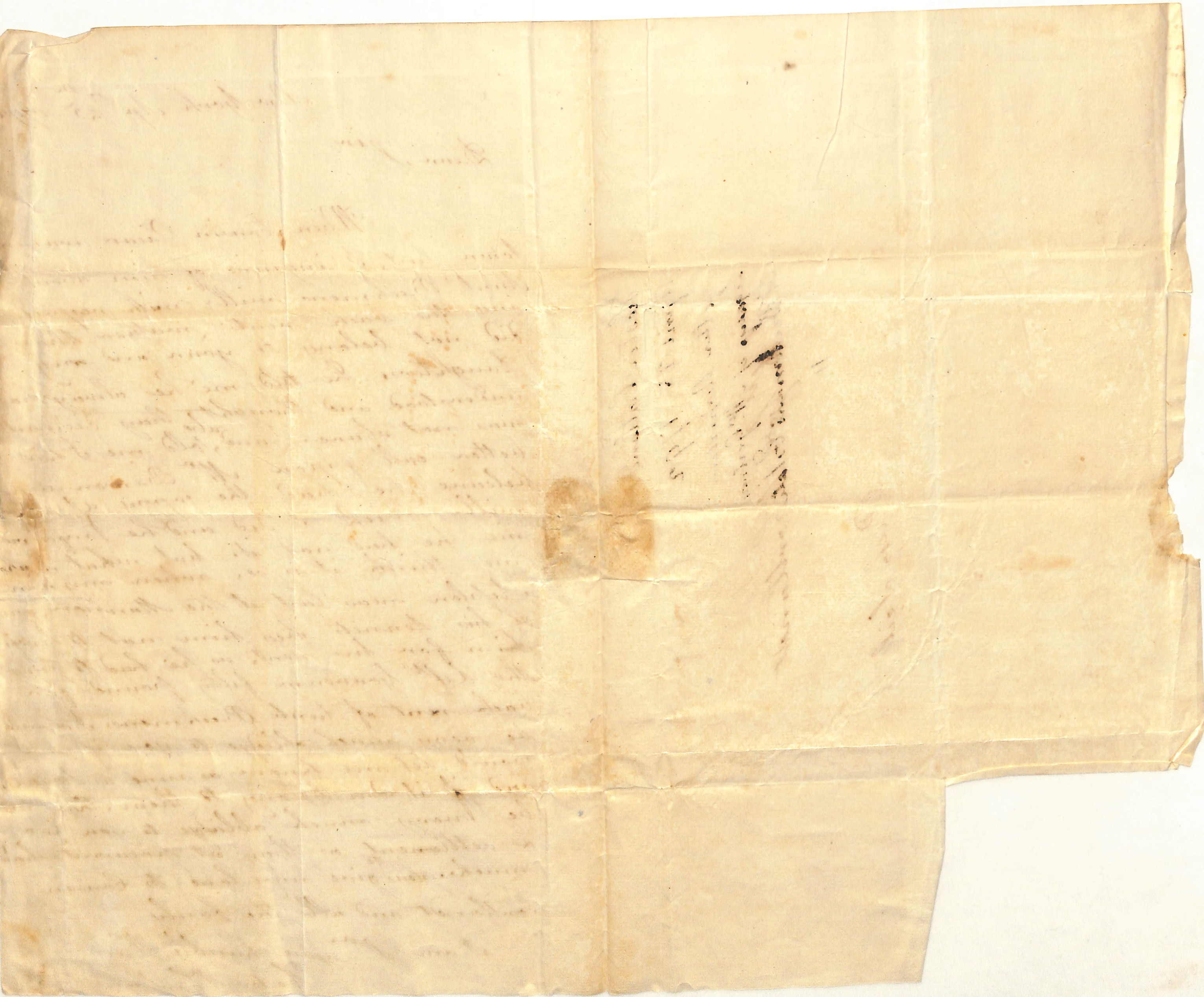


New York Apr 25th 1799

Dear Sir

When Cousin Dear was in town last, I inquired of him about Aunt Beckmens mill, with respect-
ing the back rents: whether they did not belong to you and my Daughters. He told me he always had understood and thought they did, but was not chure. and, ^{also} told me I had better call upon Mr Benson, as he believed he had the copy of his mill. which I did and he informed me he had not it. but what makes me think it is so, when my son Stephen was last at the Manor, one of his tenants beg him not to sue him for his rent, as he had to pay the Left Governor fifty pounds for back rent of Aunt Beckmens. I should be very much obliged to you if you would let me know as soon as possible and if it does belong to them, they will be very much obliged to you for a settlement as they at present stand much. please give my love to Cousin Conthard and all the family

I am your humble Son
Hester Conthard



Hester Cortlandt

April 25 1792

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