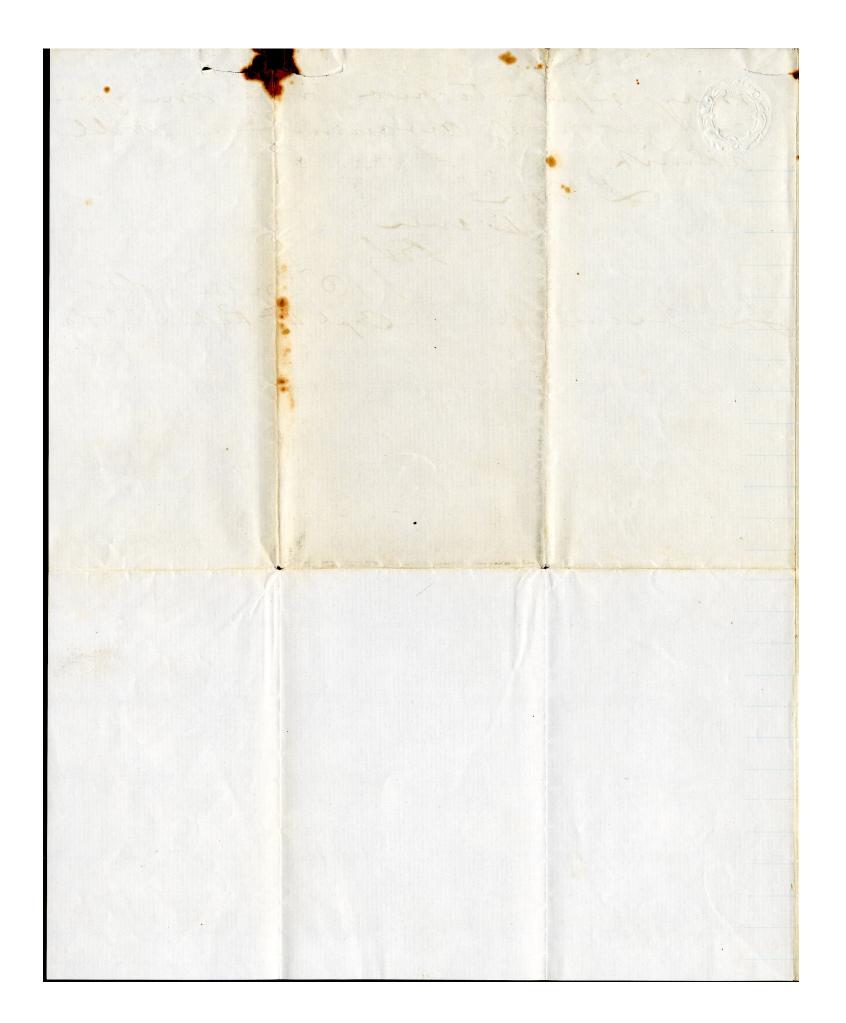
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## Camp du Pont Nov. 7 1862 My Dearest Lou

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