

1777 Document (transcription follows)



This torn letter may have been written by Cato Howe, serving in the Continental Army, to Ephraim Spooner in Plymouth.

September 3, 1777 In camp at Loudens Ferry, 8 miles from Albany

Master Spooner, Sir,

I can't write myself but I got somebody make pen & ink tell you I am well and I am very glad I been so well ever since I come from home. I have been traveling all over this country up to Fort Stanwicks where there is nothing but Indians and Tories all the way but soon as the Regulars & Tories & Indians hear we was coming, they all run away and left their tents and all their artillery and most everything they had. Then we come back to this place & suppose we shall go to fighting I don't know when but I suppose very soon. The regulars about 15 miles off --- Tell my wife I well and want to see him very much. I come for him one these days when we kill all Regulars.