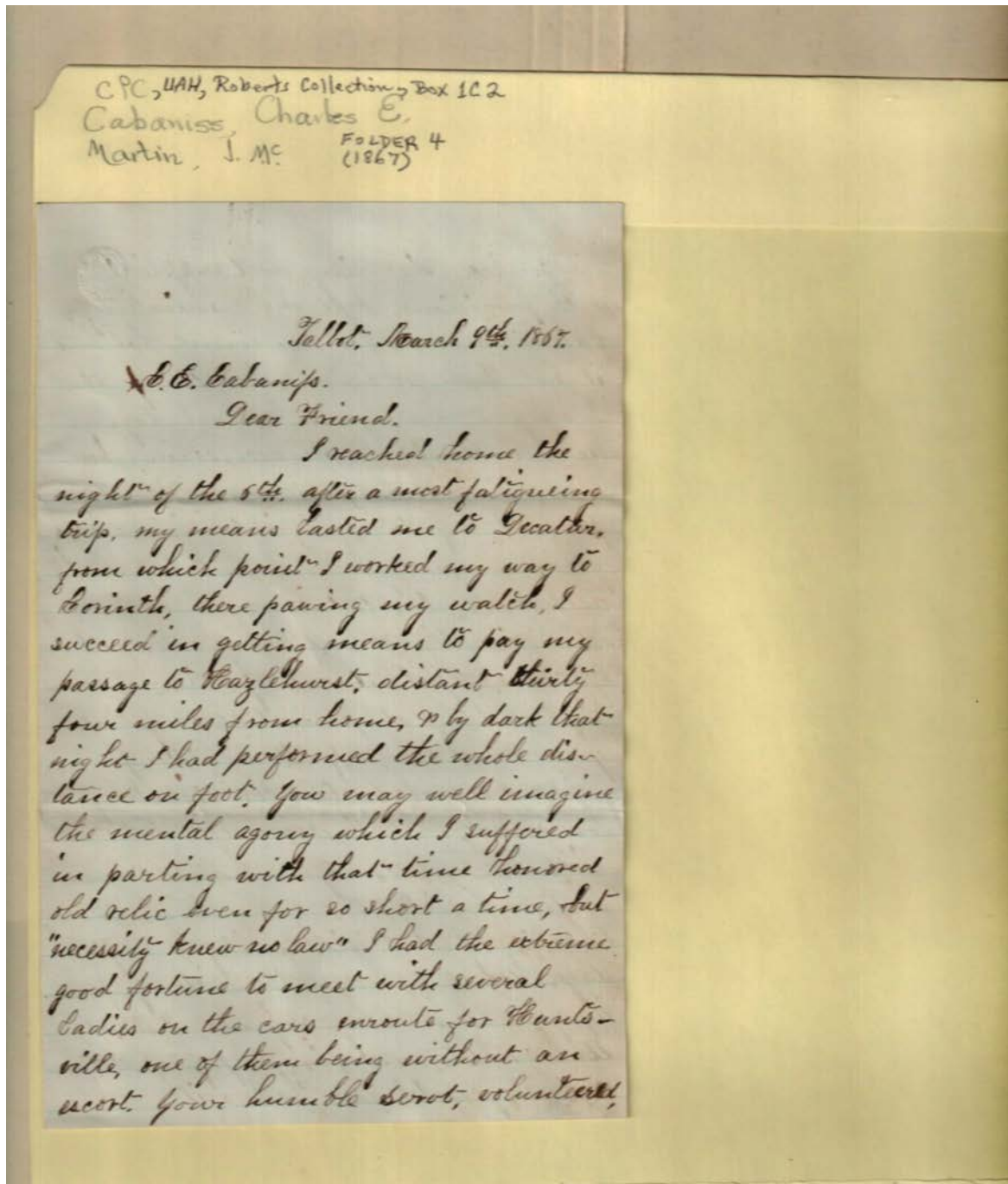


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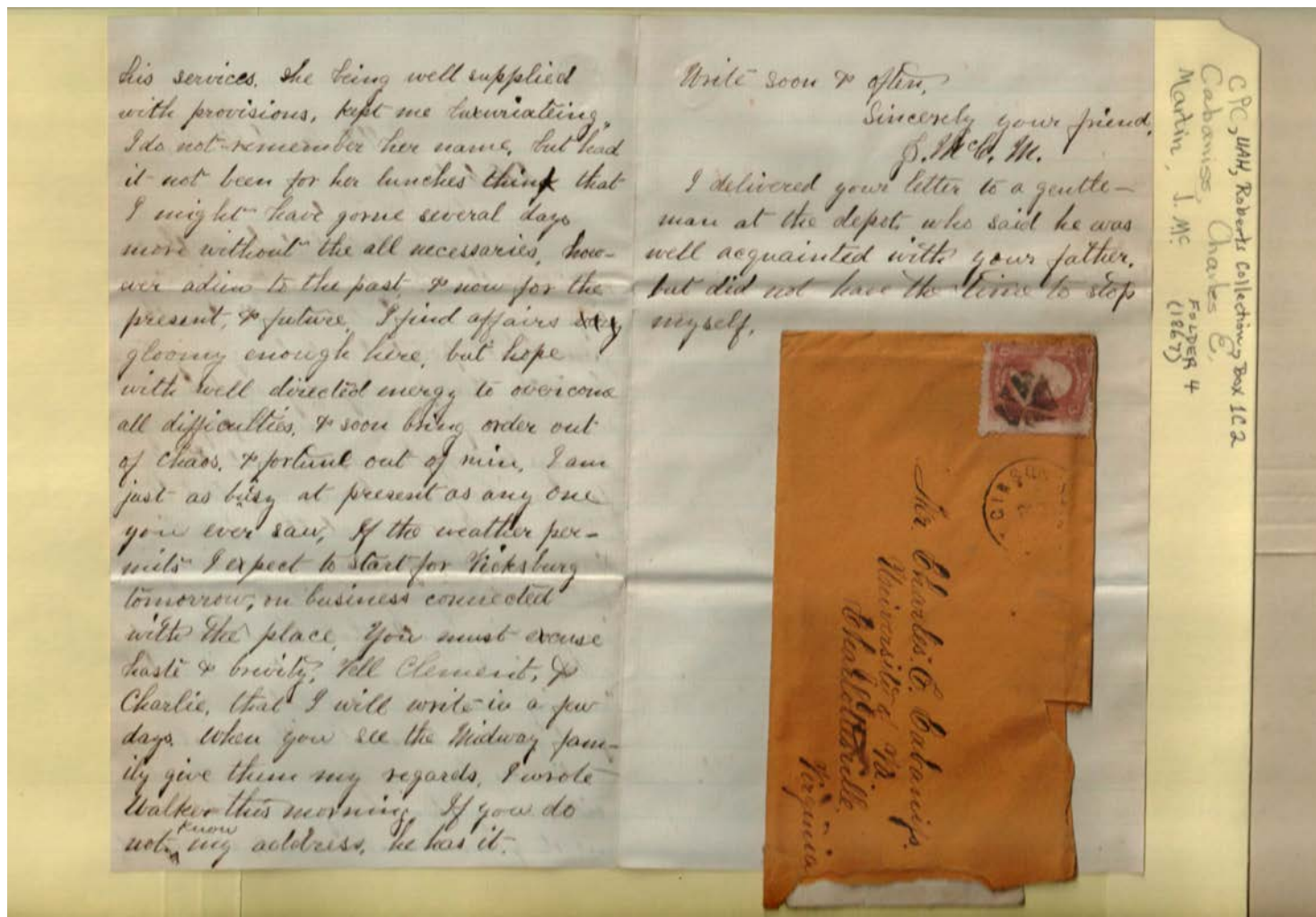
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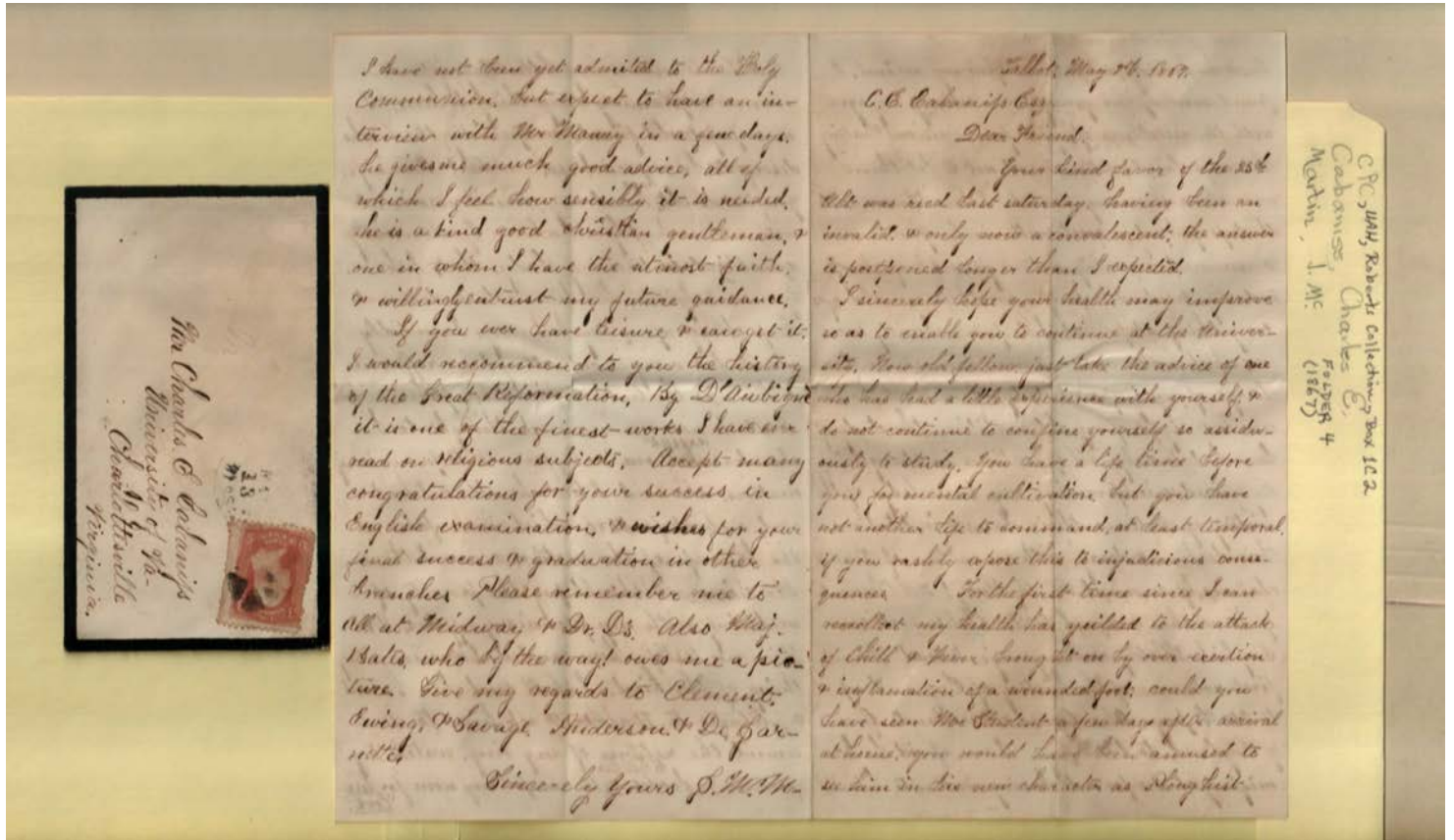
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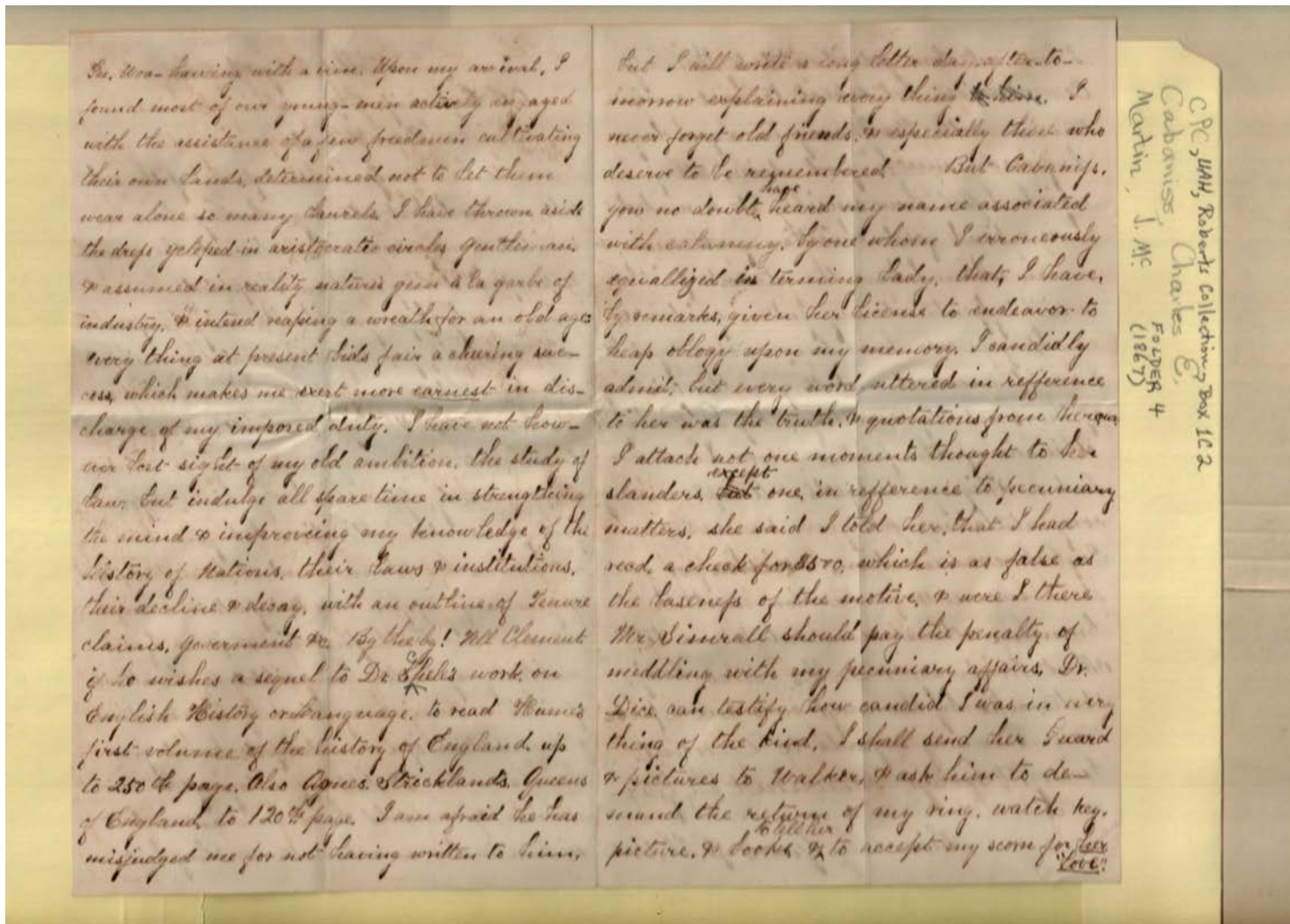
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So, now having with a view, upon my arrival, I found most of our young men actively engaged with the assistance of a few freeholders cultivating their own lands, determined not to let them wear alone so many barrels I have thrown aside the drags yoked in aristocratic circles, quitted, and assumed in reality, nature gave a la garbe of industry, & intend reaping a wreath for an old age every thing at present bids fair a shining success, which makes me exert more earnest in discharge of my imposed duty. I have not however lost sight of my old ambition, the study of law, but indulge all spare time in strengthening the mind & improving my knowledge of the history of Nations, their laws & institutions, their decline & decay, with an outline of tenure claims, government &c. By the by! Mr Clement if he wishes a sequel to Dr Spils work on English History or language, to read Hume's first volume of the history of England up to 250th page. Also Agnes Stricklands Queens of England, to 120th page. I am afraid he has misjudged me for not having written to him.

But I will write a long letter ~~tomorrow~~ explaining every thing to ~~him~~ ^{himself}. I never forget old friends, & especially those who deserve to be remembered. But Cabaniss, you no doubt, heard my name associated with ~~astounding~~ ^{praise} from whom I erroneously concluded in ~~termining~~ ^{termining} lady, that I have, by remarks, given her license to endeavor to heap obloquy upon my memory. I candidly admit, but every word uttered in reference to her was the truth, & quotations from ~~her~~ ^{her} I attach not one moment's thought to be slanders, ~~but~~ ^{except} one, in reference to pecuniary matters, she said I told her, that I had read a check for \$500, which is as false as the baseness of the motive, & were I there Mr Sisserall should pay the penalty of meddling with my pecuniary affairs. Dr Dice can testify how candid I was in every thing of the kind, I shall send her Guard & pictures to Walker, & ask him to demand the return of my ring, watch key, ~~together~~ ^{together} picture, & books, & to receipt my score for ~~see~~ ^{see}.

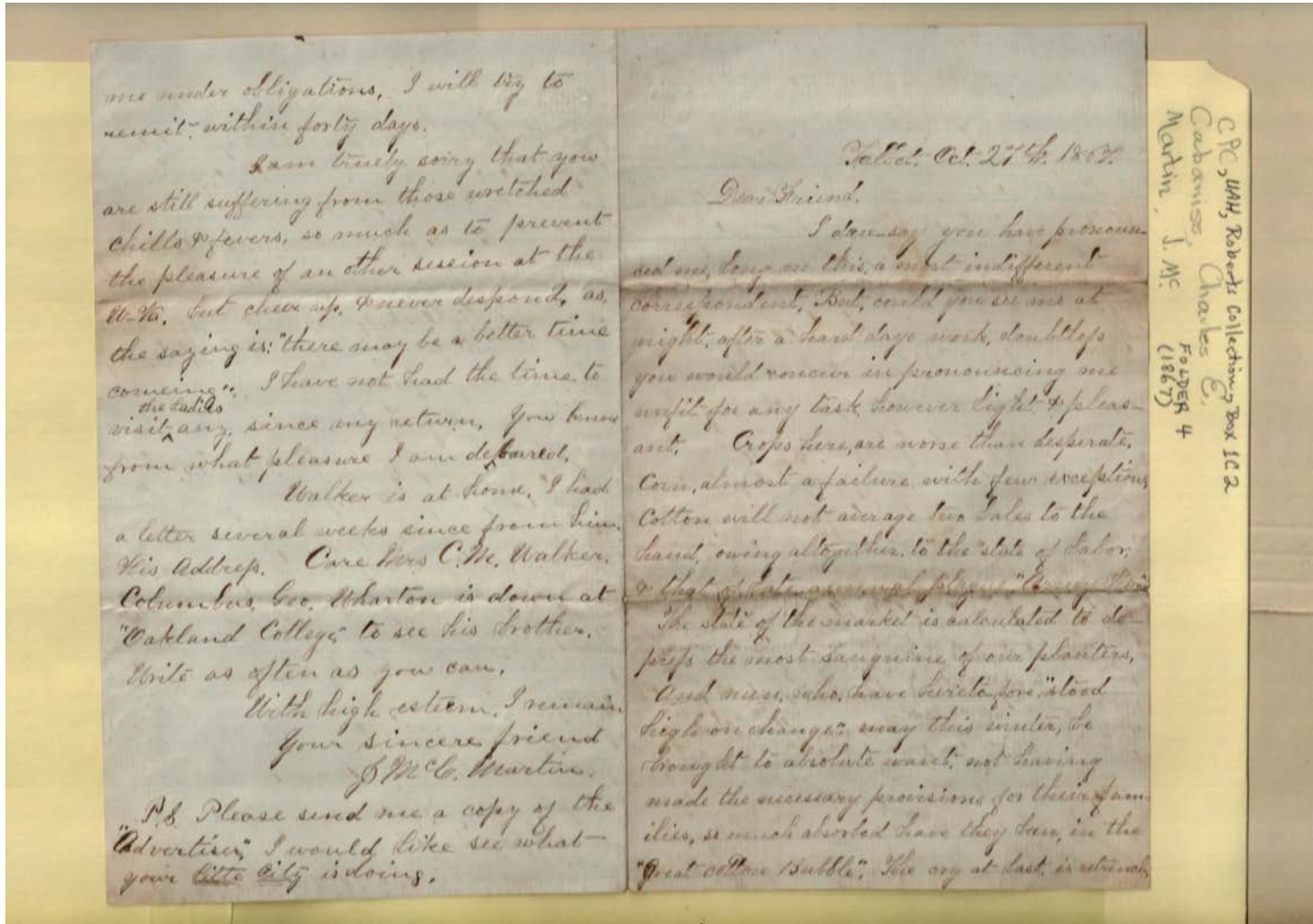
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| Cabaniss, | Hames, | Sisserall, | Walker, |

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me under obligations, I will try to
remit: within forty days.

I am truly sorry that you
are still suffering from those wretched
chills & fevers, so much as to prevent
the pleasure of an other session at the
W. H. but cheer up, & never despond, as
the saying is: "there may be a better time
concerning". I have not had the time to
visit ^{the ladies} any, since my return, you know
from what pleasure I am deprived.

Walker is at home, I had
a letter several weeks since from him.
His Address. Care Mrs C. M. Walker,
Columbus Geo. Wharton is down at
"Oakland College" to see his brother.

Write as often as you can.

With high esteem, I remain,

Your sincere friend
J. M. C. Martin.

P.S. Please send me a copy of the
"Advertiser"; I would like see what
your little city is doing.

Collet. Oct. 27th 1867.

Dear Friend.

I don't say you have prosecuted
me, long as this a slight indifferent
correspondent, but, could you see me at
night, after a hard days work, doubtless
you would reconsider in pronouncing me
unfit for any task, however light & pleas-
ant. Crops here, are worse than desperate.
Corn, almost a failure, with few exceptions,
Cotton will not average two bales to the
hand, owing altogether, to the state of labor,
& high prices of labor in the country.

The state of the market is anticipated to de-
press the most sanguine of our planters,
and many, who, have heretofore, stood
high on exchange, may this winter, be
brought to absolute want, not having
made the necessary provisions for their fam-
ilies, so much absorbed have they been, in the
"Great Cotton Bubble"; The cry at last, is retrac-

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Martin, J. Mc.

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expell all freemen, & live upon what we have. Oppose reconstruction, & brave every hardship. As a hasty view of these causes may be of interest to you, I will endeavor to explain them. Since the war, unfortunately, every one here, has regarded cotton as being, the life of commerce, & acting upon this principle, men of small, or no credit before the late commulsions, have undertaken to carry on the culture of cotton upon the largest & most reckless scale, by imposing upon the credulity of those Cotton fevered Capitalists in large cities, hundreds of dollars were expended in engaging the services of freedmen, even large sums in bribing those who were already employed, to abandon their employers. This system, as you may imagine, after two years experience, has ruined the credit of almost every planter, as well as that of the merchant who has sold his goods on this cotton policy. No man borrows money upon visible effects; no confidence exists between planter, & merchant, & market deprected. Labor demoralized, & unreliable; Politics engage the laborer; & Chimerical speculations the planter; Provisions exorbitant, & rising, while cotton declines. Every one avowing an intention to give up an attempt to do any thing, more than live, in future. The above is a very slight sketch of what really exists, & at present, promises fair, to be the least of what we may expect.

My brother, & I, have made a crop, which will amount, when gathered, to about fifteen bales, so, you may see how arduous have been my efforts, in concert with him, to make something, & can imagine how fatigued I feel at night, after picking all day. We will next year, gather has already, a most excellent offer for this River plantation, as well as, fine opportunities here. I shall for the present enter into the most lucrative employment presenting itself. The small favor which I owe you, & for which, your kindness has always placed

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