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Letter from Flavilla Armstrong to Thomas S. Armstrong

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May 27th 1866

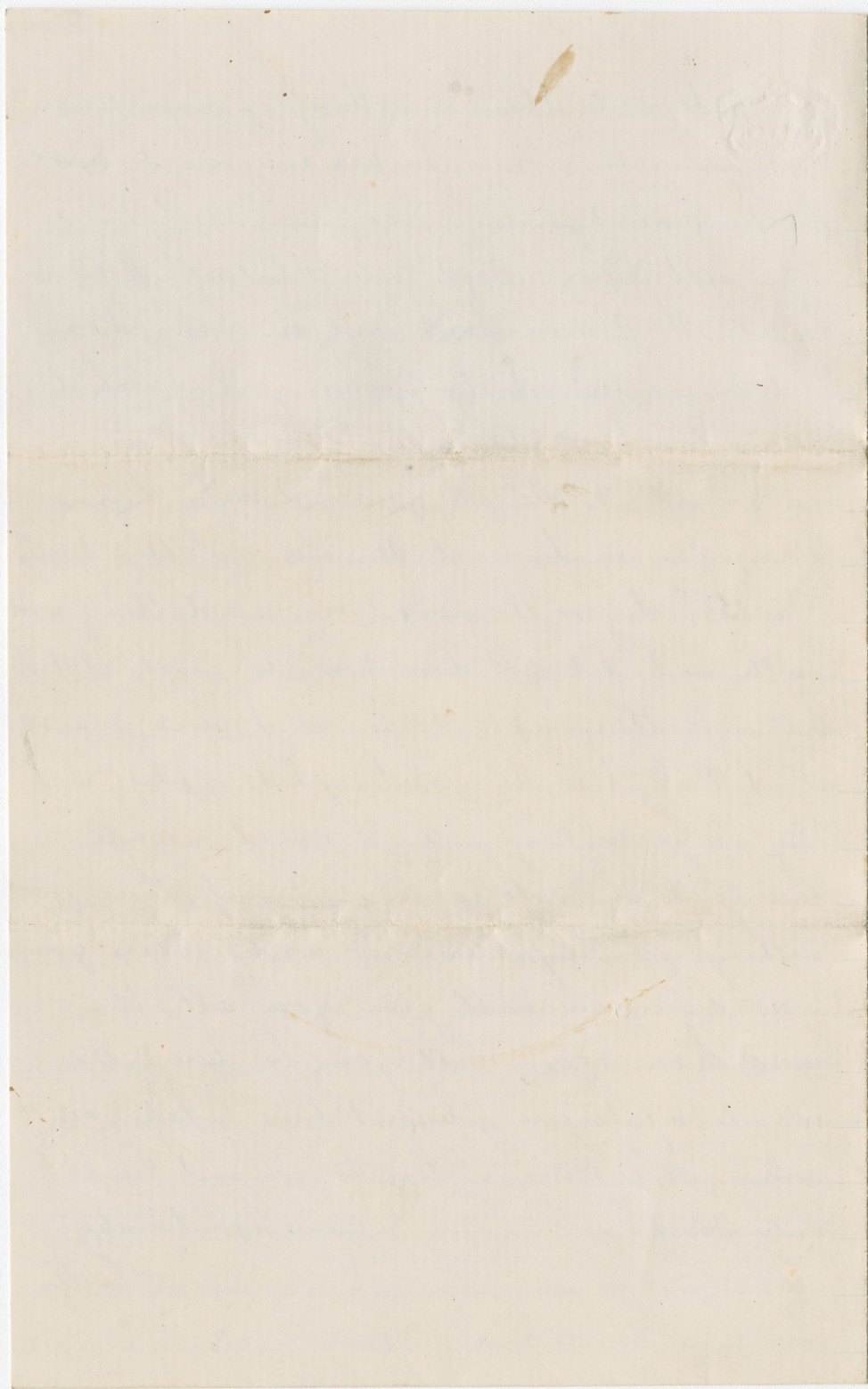
Dear Brother

I expect you have concluded that we have forgotten you, but I assure you that such is not the case, I should have written long ago and would have done so had I not been so negligent. I never had a taste for writing and since we have been here I have not tried to cultivate a taste for it. We are all well and doing well. Father is superintending the affairs on the farm. Looks natural. Mother is as good looking as ever. She has quite an amount of chickens Turkeys Ducks &c. There will a fine chance for roasts here next Fall. Jacob has been shearing. Frank does a little of every thing. Mary is trying to learn English. She is at home this summer. We were cleaning house last week. We are not going

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Brownsville They have a good one there
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Sabbath school. Mr Cowen is our teacher
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carpenter. Mother was at Mr McAbes last
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Had twelve waiters. Has gone to New Orleans
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going on. Ben Tucker has gone to ~~practi~~
practising about fourteen miles from Lexington & is
doing well. George Boyd is in Wheeling Mills is
bought Mr Redmans ~~property~~ ^{property} and ^{they} are living there.
What do you intend doing when your school
closes. I understood you could get it again if
you wanted it. We are ~~you and wife~~ ^{you} ~~home~~
looking for you home at the close of this term.
The 137th day of the year. I commenced this grand
epistle and did not have time to finish it then
so I will therefore try to finish it now. I was
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