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1872

Butler May 20

Mr Darlington Esq

Dear Sir

I ought to have answered you long ago but was waiting for further information on the subject than you asked for. Mr Dwyall named is David Dwyall was born in the fifth valley and has travelled over the most part of the western portion of the state & also parts of Canada. He is employed in surveying the four northern counties for Hensell's map of Pennsylvania and relies himself on his knowledge of the localities. He was enabled to lay down the Indian trails as you asked for want of sight.



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but has mounted a pair of spectacles  
as glasses - or better glasses  
no spectacles - and will send you  
the notes laid down in a nap  
as soon as may be. I think  
of you could take a run out to  
see him - you might glean  
some information on the sub-  
ject - How you air aware of as  
he knows a good deal about the  
times in Pittsburgh - having  
taught school at the Airship  
about 1845 or thereabouts, the beginning  
of this century - and was the  
companion of Judge Breckinridge  
when the first circuit was held in  
Butler & Co. I will hurry him  
up as much as possible, but  
his eye is slow

Yours truly

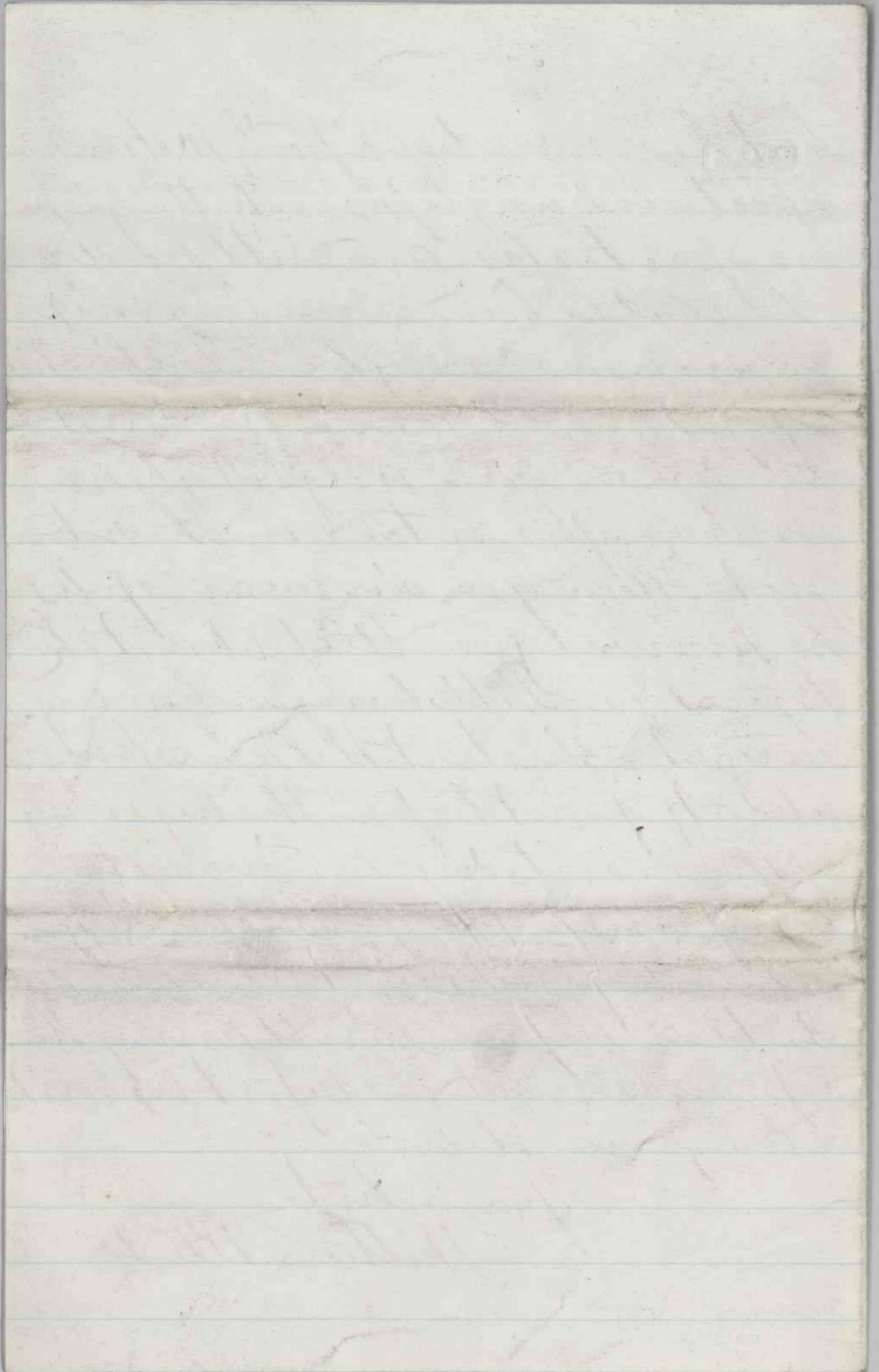
William White



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Mr. M. Darlington Esq

I got yours of the

31<sup>st</sup> Mt and communicated the contents

to Mr. DeLong. The tract on such matters

here he reports as follows

The aspect of the lick has changed since

it was visited by the Missionary but the

description is accurate. The lick was

near the head of the creek. The tract of land

on which it is situated was settled by John

Cummins about 1806. The creek then

emptied the spring as the Missionary said

John Cummins had dug a new channel for

the creek and diverted it from the spring.

and made salt thus for himself & neighbors

about 1807. Stephen Lowry Esq became owner

of the land. Mr. Collins his son, has dug

a well 14 feet & made salt in considerable

quantities from 1808 to 1813. Thus

there has been a change in the water since

enough to manufacture soap.



Fresh water salt. There was several and  
 (so called) taken off boats as a medicine  
 since then. The old channel described  
 by Miss Winney has been filled up to the  
 depth of 5 or 6 feet but in high water it is  
 still a channel. Mr Collins well dig 14 feet  
 brought up Mammot bones and were  
 sent to Philadelphia to the Museum.  
 The whole bed contains about an acre  
 of ground, and is now covered with sand  
 bushes. The supply of salt water was  
 abundant to occur in this bed  
 sink about 20 feet. The property at  
 present belongs to Mrs. Maria McClain  
 It is as you say a little over three  
 miles North West of Butler and adjoins  
 the place where I live where I am  
 glad to see you at any time. You  
 have in the volume the views of Mr. Bryant  
 and with it a sketch of the place as it  
 saw it 70 years ago.

Yours truly  
 William White



Red. The Clearfield lick down the old  
Indian track from Killamontz to Keshing  
I on the Buffalo creek. This is on the  
lower down on the continuation of my  
Wiles lower down. An Indian is mentioned  
in Wagsy Harrison's story.



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