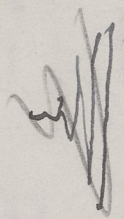


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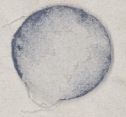
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Earliest
writing

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I send you a parcel of
 stones and my turtle
 or tortoise in a basket. Put
 it into a basin box or tub
 of in the latter put in a plate
 with water. Give it a little
 piece of meat every evening. It
 likes garden snails very well.
 When I come home, if it
 live so long I shall put a
 ring through its shell and
 tether it in ~~the~~ the garden when
 it can find food. If it be
 I save its shell -

I am quite well. May
God bless you and dear George
& Maria Lois - first night

Your dear loving

William

Butt what. Fine at a little
piece of sweet every evening. It
also for the British very well.
When I was home, it
one or two days of school but a
very though it were only
letter it is the London when
it can find food. It is
love to