Dear Brother,

Since I wrote you last concerning my trunk, the man by whom I expected you would have sent it had been taken ill of a fever here and will not have a team come down just gone. But if you have gotten it ready to send me send it the first opportunity to Collepher Whipple and he will take care of it for me. I have had this letter from Samuel within a week or they are all well. Also Timothy has not yet returned from Barbado but they expect him within 10 days. Samuel has written to me and believe I informed you of my last writing that I had better tarry here this vacation. I believe I shall spend it here that for if I have written you one or two letters or wrote lately I have not heard or word from you since I left home. I wish you would write next mail.
Letter from William E. Green to John Green Jr.
November 17[?], 1798
[John P. Green Mss. – A.L.S.]

Providence Nov[em]ber 17[?], 1798

Dear Brother
Since I wrote you last concerning my trunk, the man by whom I expected you would have sent it has been taken ill of a fever here & will not have a team come down just now. But if you have gotten it ready to send me, send it the first opportunity to Col. John Whipples and he will take care of it for me. I have had two letters from Samuel within a week & they are all well there[.] Timothy has not yet returned from Canada but they expect him within 8 or 10 days. Samuel has written to me as I believe I informed you in my last [Ms. smudged] that I had better tarry here this occasion [occasion?] & study & I believe I shall for I can be of no service at home that I know of. I have also written you one or two letters or scrawls lately & have not heard a word from you since I left home[.] I wish you would write next mail
how the family is, if no more. If no opportunity presents to send my trunk on, I should be glad you would take it up to Mr. Chandler. I hope I shall tell they come down on the earring for one in the chief, or they can bring it easier than when done down in it myself with Brown.

It is very healthy here at present. But in some of the towns toward Plymouth it is some-thing sickly with the cankerworm.

Much you need to write me when there are the old gentlemen who know whether he is at Taunton or has removed to the country, and to know the name of the town that he lives in. Enquire of Guy Banks if he has received his trunk of books. And if he has request him to send you a resolution of them enclosed in your letter as he desires me to have you. Remain your affectionate Brother

Wm. E. Green

To Dear John Green.
how the family are if no more. If no opportunity presents to send my trunk on I should be glad you would take it from Mr. Chandler & keep it till they come down in the spring for me in the chaise as they can bring it easier then than when I come down in it myself with Bourn. It is very healthy here at present. But in some of the towns toward Plymouth it is something sickly with the cankerash.

Wish you now would write me where Thomas as the old Gentleman calls him is settled whether he is at Danverd[?] or has removed to the eastward & write me the name of the town that he lives in. Enquire of Esq. Bangs if he has received his trunk of Books [sic]. And if he has request him to send Sam a cattalogue [sic] of them enclosed in one of your letters as he [Ms. illegible] me have you. I remain your affectionate Brother

W[illia]m E. Green
To Doc[to]r John Green

[Written in margin]: AB you will perceive that I have added a little to my name
[Addressed]: Doc[to]r John Green Jun[io]r
Worcester

[From]: W[illia]m Green
Providence
Nov[ember] 1790

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