Washingtoniana case

PERMANENT ID:
12451

CALL NUMBER:
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DATE:
1882

IMAGE DESCRIPTION:
This tattered case, assembled by Howard Edwards, holds what some may consider a shrine to George
Washington. The personal letter, written to his brother-in-law Burwell Bassett, is unique not in its content
but that it was both written and signed by George Washington. There are two images of Washington: one a
black and white print and the other appearing to be an original watercolor. But perhaps the most unusual
item is the locket of Washington's hair. According to the composer of the case, it was "Presented by John
Perrie, son of Martin Perrie, Washington's Hair Dresser, in 1781, to my Relative, the late Anthony M.
Buckley."

Image 1 is the front cover of the case; Image 2 is the double spread of the case; Image 3 shows the left panel
only; Image 4 shows the right panel only; image 5 is the back cover.

FORMAT:
Artifact

DIMENSIONS:
Width: 30 cm, Height: 44 cm, Depth: 4.5 cm

ARTIST:
George Washington, 1732-1799; Edwards, Howard