

Tuesday - Jan 23rd

Dearest sweetheart

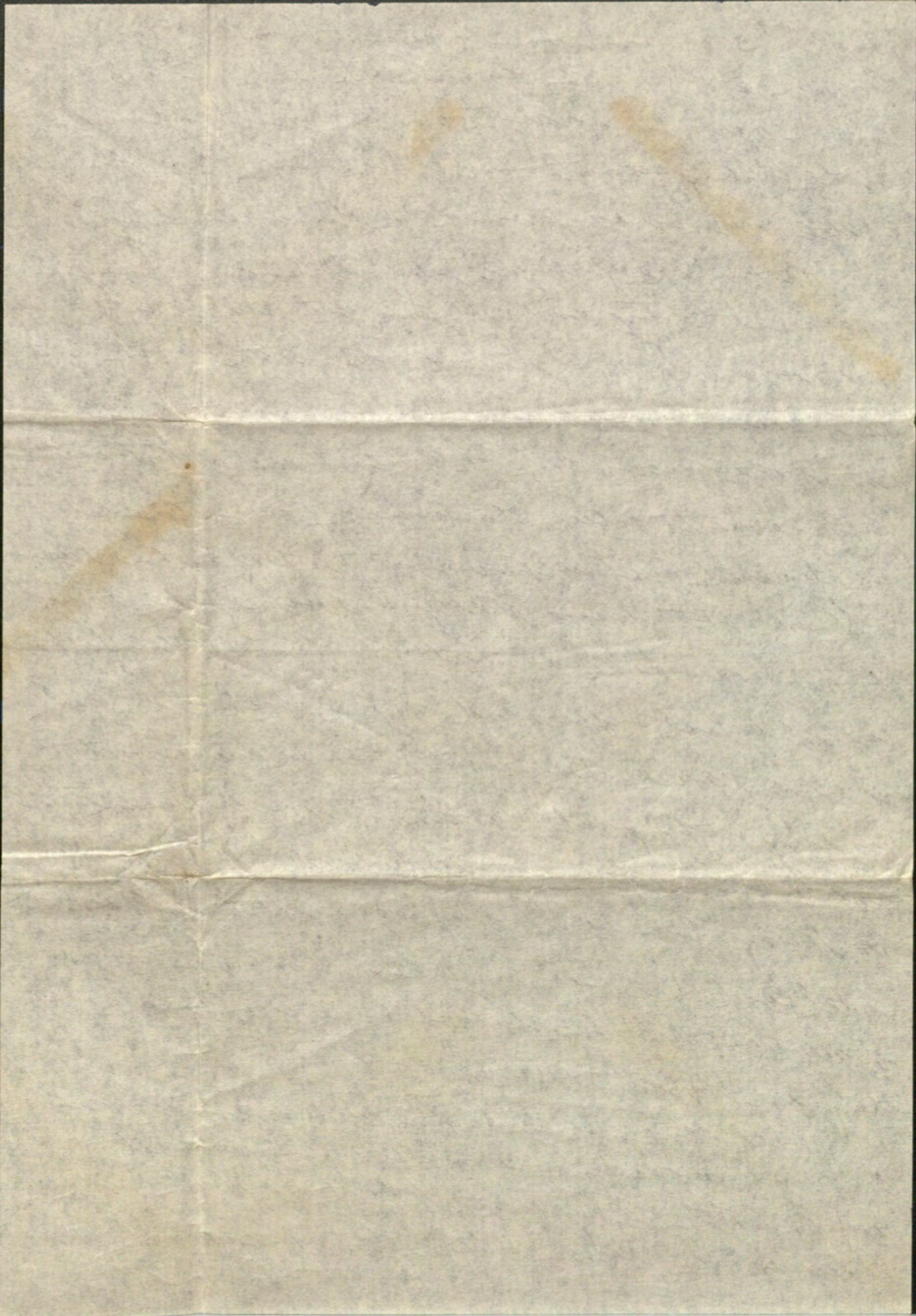
Receiving mail from you is always so heart warming and most welcome. This morning I received a letter dated Jan. 4th and a V. mail letter #8. Jan 8th. So happy to know my beloved is well and not griping too much! All at home is under control, Jimmie and I are fine and hope each day for the finish of the war. So, finally you received a parcel from Mr. Murray and there's hoping you get all the others in due time. Your request for the cigars, handkerchiefs and sandwiches will be taken care of as soon as I am able to get all these things together.

Jimmie and I went out again this morning for some fresh air, sunshine and bananas. It snowed before we got out but it lasted a short time. After lunch, Jim napped with his medicine box and I straightened out some books and my diary. Did I mention that I received a \$10.00 bond for the month of November? You've asked about the \$100.00 in many recent letters and I wrote some time ago that I did receive it. We also received a bonus from the office for 197.12 before Christmas. Here's a rough idea of what the books show us to have - Savings 2,146.35 - Bonds - Maturity

valued 1390. Jim's bonds - maturity value \$300.
Compared to Nov. 17th amounts of Bonds - \$1340.63
Bonds - \$900 - Jim's bonds \$150.00. I haven't figured
in the checking account and all we have there is
a little over \$100.00. How are we doing, darling?

Most of the afternoon Jim and Lawrence played
here near the toy box and Jim isn't the quiet
boy he used to be. I started this letter with both
kids around me and it's been an effort to think,
control the rascals and be comprehensive. Now that
Jim is almost asleep it's so much easier to write.
We finished our supper about a half an hour ago
and by 8:15 Winnie, Betty and myself are going
to my mom's home to visit the family. Your folks
called before supper and they're back well and
still very brave. Bob wrote to them and as yet
is doing nothing but marking time. If possible, he'll
try to get in for the week-end. I can't under-
stand why Bob doesn't drop me a letter or even a
postal card these days - I know how anxious you are
to get news about him but if he writes to you often
that's the important thing.

Will leave in a few minutes so until to-morrow
good-night, my darling. I miss you every moment and
love you with all my heart. I don't get to be and
always in love. Kisses and hugs from Jimmie and me.
Love,
Lorraine



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