John Ingle (1781-1872) was a merchant and shipowner who had sailed with David Collins' expedition, arriving in 1804. He received a grant of land near Bagdad and acquired further property in Hobart and elsewhere. He was a friend of Edward Lord who was a fellow traveller on the Collins voyage, as was James Hobbs whose sister, Rebecca, Ingle married in 1804. In 1818 John Ingle left Tasmania and sold some of his property to Edward Lord but retained some property and commercial interests. Back in England he married Sophia Currey, whose family were bankers.

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Letter to John Ingle 21 May 1841

Letter written from Hobart to John Ingle, London: depression in monetary, commercial and agricultural interests, affairs of Montefiore, Bryant, Hopleys (and their agent Hobbs).

The writer also attempted 'from recollection a sketch [plan] of your property in Argyle and Macquarie streets showing the present improvement' of new wharves reclaimed from the sea and the extension of Argyle Street cut through Government House gardens, and also the old police office on the corner which belonged to the Gellibrand's trustees but was up for sale, being in a dilapidated state, and would be a valuable site for shops or stores.

The letter is torn and a piece is missing with the signature, but it may have been written by Edward Lord.

(1 folded paper, torn - photocopy of plan in RS.Mp. 49)

(a) original letter
(b) scanned image of letter (jpg 200 res)
(c) scanned image of letter on pdf
(d) photocopy of plan