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Dear Ed.

Some time ago, if you remember, you said to me, that you would like to have the situation ~~as~~ clerk, on board the Merchant, and if ever there was a vacancy to let you know; Now that Pa is sick, he would like to have some one in the store untill he can get there, which may not be, for six or seven weeks. Johnnie is at the store, and will remain there with you; Pa will certainly make a change on the boat