Baltimore, Oct. 19th 1859

To Jno. H. Cocke Esq
Atlanta Ga.

Dear Sir. Your favour of the 13th is received. I trust, as rather hope, there is no absolute necessity of detaining these people as so severe, the have not yet heard from the Ship, nor even of her leaving for home. She is out of time near one month, not an uncommon thing to be done. but at it ~~is~~ is. The keeping of the people here will be at an expense of $8 per week each adult & 2$ for children –

I regret this matter exceedingly, & only suggest that the people had better remain where they are. if practicable, till we can hear from the Ship, or if the day of sailing of a substitute in case she is lost or disabled –

Very respectfully Yrs Henry Shaw