

find out by the papers as regards the Pinatures there was  
nothing that could come more exceptable and I think  
his was very thoughtfull and I feel more satisfaction in  
the few childish & feeling words she said than I could  
from a long painted Epistle for I no it was said in  
Childish innocence May we be suitably thankful for  
such children and may God in his infinite mercy  
guide them & make us instruments to bring them  
up in a right manner that they will prove a bless-  
ing to us in our old age & May God in his mercy  
permit us all once more to join in the social  
family circle and enjoy the fruits of our labours

Now what do you think they intend  
to send another man to take charge of the Blind  
next season I have wrote them word & do  
and that I will assist him & if one comes I shall  
send my oil all home & perhaps come home across  
land and then I shall be able to spend a part of the  
winter with you I want your company & fell  
in those long lanesome cruises almos lost & as tho  
I was looking for something that was just out  
of reach but I think the time is not long be-  
fore I shall find the object of my search and you can  
readily guess what it will be. My health was  
very poor last season & also between seasons and for  
that reason I said but little about it the fact is  
I have been so long at sea I find it is high  
time I stop, I sincerely hope I shall not have