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Dear Arch

I write these few lines to  
let you know how things seem to stand in  
Nova I am home One month the night I landed  
I went to see your people there I found great ch  
anges for the better John Majord and Jane Johns wife  
is a tidy little craft and James Blake is a first rate  
Sunk of a chap I think they are both well matched  
The old folks have only your sister with them now  
your father has faded verry much but he is smart  
your mother is the same as when I left the farm  
is the best of its side in Nova Scotia they have  
the best hay that I have seen since I left England  
and all their Crops are good if the place had you  
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said he would be very glad to comply with for he  
says what is very true that a very few years according  
to the course of nature are his near and the other boys  
has given up all claim and you are his only stay  
now in his old age and as you have means to set the  
out of work it is your duty to do. Your father prom-  
ised that he would write which no doubt he has so you  
will have the word at last that you wanted. I think  
it will be to your advantage to put John & his wife James  
Anne & her husband and Miss Hannah Phillips and her Bear  
all at your fathers the second sister was their they are all  
well I was at Mr. Phillips only saw Mr. P & Mrs. Hannah

to ask me this was obliged with the words they want to see you and then  
I had a letter from you do  
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gave them the presents they seemed to think you had  
found them pretty well I do intend to take a tour  
around all of them when I get well I have been sick here  
since I left England I had a very bad cough  
now for things in general the cars runs to Leeds 10/ in  
the first class 5/ in the second Markets are good you can  
get a first rate price for every thing you have to sell they fight  
on politics worse than ever the Catholics have turned tops  
to a man but for all that the Liberals have a majority in  
the house now me I believe that I am likely to stay in the  
country all though every thing seems very slow I have  
made father an offer which I think he will take if so I  
will be stuck safe father has been offered £1000 for George  
Farm but he did not sell it George is at Fraser River he has  
a Government belt a Detective Officer he does not like the place  
I think I will try to get him home my Brother William has  
started for Australia I could not persuade him to stay he  
was to sail from Boston on the 6<sup>th</sup> of Augt you will see  
him and he will tell you the news now me if you start  
for home try and come in a steamer to Liverpool you will  
stair of whom I tell you that England is a dearer place than I thought  
it cost me \$170 before I got home take the first cabin and

