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Dear Sir,
Lincolnton April 29th 1842.

Yours of the 21st instant I received
last night and glad was I to learn from
you, that you were a fair one well, for of
late I have felt like a father bereaved
of his sons - But my fears were some-
what allayed by the news ~~known~~
at Norfolk, which I received last night
at the very time and place I received
yours - I will here insert the letter
written Norfolk April 20th 1842

Thine your letter of the 12th of this month
asking information of Storerham Richards
has just been received, in answer of
have to inform you, that he was admitted
into the Marine Hospital, at this place,
on the 26th of February, and discharged
on the 28th of March current, I believe
he left this place in a few days after
in a vessel bound to Boston.

G. O. Ballou, Surgeon

Mr Sumner Randall requested me
to write to Storerham - I did, at the
time I wrote you, ^{have} received
any answer to that letter -
I this week again, 12th of April
to the overseer of the Hospital
and have received the above letter
above, & it not one of the most strange
of things, that Storerham has not
write us to let us know that he
was alive, & that he is on his passage home

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I am glad that I can visit a museum of confidence, say to you that ~~nothing~~ is much better, I think I told you she had gone to London, she was there 3 weeks or more, then came home to see us, went back to London again, is yet there, she is able to work the most of the time, she is with us every week as can be found, ⁱⁿ London, the doctor says she has not got the conservation, we all, think she will get smart again,

The rest of the family are all well except your mother, grief and sorrow has almost ~~brought~~ ~~him~~ to the grave — if we could see all our dear children again, and especially all at once it would rejoice our hearts. When you visit come and see us if you can, we all want to see, we can write, and we can talk (that is a great help) but we want to see and hear

I am sorry to hear that you are like to lose by your lumbering business of hope things will take a more favorable turn, the British government now have two ministers at Washington Lord St. Alban's has just arrived, having authority to settle all disputes between his and our governments, we shall know something soon, I think we shall have seen with that nation and shortly too — It is thought he will propose to have the St. John's river the dividing line, if that fails to refer to a third power, but the state of Spain will say all or none

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The general government would say they will not remain without the voice of Shuman and Massachusetts, our legislation we expect will be commenced about the middle of May, we have a meeting for choice of representatives next Monday — Mr Miller having resigned

Shuman & must draw to a close wishing there hims many find you in the enjoyment of health spiritual and temporal be sure to take care for Mr Saul, we have got to do, you know not have seen more here Sweden, perhaps to meet they go, Mr says, son give me they humors, Remembering thy executor in the days of thy youth, — when you read these lines say — banish the idea they are merely records or papers and nothing more for I can assure you that it is the prayer of a Father's heart that you may so cherish your days that will apply your heart unto wisdom —

Write me as often as you possibly can the opinion that better off I had, had time this morning I would give our dear Colman about your money, I will get it as soon as I possibly can
of increase your affectionate father till death
Wm. Richards