

Saint John April 2.

Dear Uncle

I have not heard from you now for a long time. I would have written you ere now, but was under the impression that I had written since hearing from you. I have been anxious to hear how you all were and how George is of course there cannot be much change in him or I would have heard. I trust poor little fellow he will be improving and growing out of his trouble and your own health is good I hope and enjoying the society of your children very much the baby must be quite a fine child from what I heard of him I desay he will be quite a play thing to you all. We were very kind in sending the book to you which I have not read

Yours affectionately  
John Hancock

it through yet but have read  
some chapters it is much  
more interesting than the one  
on Geology at least I think  
it more so to the common  
reader. We have been very  
well indeed during the past  
winter for which we have reason  
to be thankful to the giver  
of all good the of small Pox  
has been raging here very much  
since last summer and  
during the severe weather in  
winter it raged very much and  
a number of persons have  
lost their lives by it but  
during the last month (which  
was delightful weather more  
like May than March) it has  
decreased very much indeed  
inasmuch so that there are  
but few cases at present.

There is very as usual in  
the land they expect to launch  
the smalla before the end  
of this month they were not

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disposed of her yet I suppose  
she will have to go down to  
the Market. Large vessels appear  
more in demand at present  
in the Market. The large one  
among the stocks which is over  
fifteen hundred tons I think  
is under way they have been  
waiting for a pretty time to get  
on a little faster with for  
the parties who purchased the  
last large one have sent out  
to know what their terms  
are for this one also they accordingly  
sent their offer for which  
was accepted they have learned  
by last Mail she is to be  
a three decker also I  
think that according to agreement  
they have over Nine Pounds  
per ton for her which is  
better than for the last and  
it is likely will pay pretty well  
so that they can go on with her  
comfortably knowing that they can

sea side  
write and let me know if you cannot come and  
I will be glad to see you  
I have a trip to Bathing for a few weeks  
which I would enjoy so much very to the  
Could you and Geage not come on  
here this summer and spend some  
time here with us we would be  
happy to see you and as I will  
leave at home here in my sister that  
I can leave in charge of my things we could  
have a trip to Bathing for a few weeks  
to Bathing for Bathing for a few weeks  
which I would enjoy so much very to the

risk with her all things taken  
to account I think that we have  
reason to be thankfull that we are  
getting on so comfortably and also  
the prospect of a revival in  
trade and shipping by next summer  
we expect one of John's sisters  
to visit us shortly it is likely  
she will remain for the summer  
expect and be company for us  
Mr. [Name] the Minister who  
belonged to the old Kirk but has  
since changed his views something  
to Whistart who  
had here some time ago Whistart  
many followers and admirers also  
there are many persons here who  
look forward to his coming with  
pleasure we have had many revivals  
and prayer meetings here lately