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Saline May 2nd 1853

My dear friend,

I received your kind letter and was glad to hear you and your family were in good health as this leaves us all at present. I dare say you would be thinking I had forgot you, but such is not the case, I have just put off until they would have their minds rightly made up so they intend leaving here in June. They would have been sooner but they had to put off until they got arrangements made. Peter would feel obliged to you if you know of any customers to get them to wait till he arrives If you would be kind enough to look out for a good house, not a very large one as there will only be Peter and 2 of his sisters, one a dressmaker and the other as a housekeeper. If you wish any particular article from this country please to write as soon as you receive this and they shall fetch it out. If you think there is anything they would require to take with them you will if you please let me know when you write. I may also mention that they intend going in a sailing vessel and not in a steamer as some think they will be much better. I do not think I have any more to say at present but believe me to remain your faithful friend.

John Cousin

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