

St. John's Island N.H.  
May 1st 1842

Dear Frank

Your letter of the 27th  
arrived here yesterday  
& also the paper which  
I read with much interest  
you had received nearly  
a later date than any  
you sent but had received  
no particulars. I have  
been so busy since I  
have arrived here having  
to be near every day  
& I think you would  
live among barbarians with  
a degree of selfishness  
without ever at the same  
time giving. I had not  
heard a word from  
you before. I saw  
Father's yesterday's proclamation