East Dennis April

Dear Cousin,

I received your letter with much pleasure and will now endeavor to answer it.

I join well a hope you the same I understand that you do not like a sailor life I don't blame you. For myself I would rather be a little nearer home ever you how well. When we first try to we have not read one letter from you since he left home. I wrote Thomas yesterday to Tealas. Uncle Aaron is very young. Some at school now. Year here name is Miss Robinson from New England. We have not had much sailing.
on 16 Wait this Winter hope
John He Addy resides in this
place is a Friend to my dear
Elliot Wreyer gone to get the
Packer I would put you
my name on a card if I
hold it on me. Walter met
with a serious disaster I suppose
you have heard of it before this
time there has been considerable
gunning this last winter and
fall Henry He cares is tending on
your old (in the next line the word is cut off and not visible)
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are all well a (in the next line the word is cut off and not visible)
The pledge last monady
Henry He. Stare was chosen
secretary of the East Denver
West. Brewer and Mr. Ho}
William F. Herord has just
l5 year (in the next line the word is cut off and not visible)
to New Orleans.
Please excuse all mistake.
From your cousin Bredon.
East Dennis  April 6  1864

Dear Cousin

I received your letter with much Pleasure & will now endeavor to answer it I am well and hope you the same I understand that you don’t like a Sailors life I dont blame you. For my self I would rather be a little nearer home but you know best What is Josh try ing to [---] have not had but one letter from him since he left home. I wrote Thomas yesterday to Calao. Uncle Aaron is Crazy. am at school now Teachers name is Miss Robinson from down East we have not had much sailing [over page] on ice boats this Winter Capt John H Addy resides in this place is a Friend to my Ker[?] Elliot Wefer goes to get of the Packet. Would send you my face on a card if I had it on one. Walter met with a serious disaster I suppose you have heard of it before this time there has been considerable gunning this last Winter and Fall Henry Howes is tending on your old buisness The Girls are all well & Smart. I signed the pledge last Monday. Henry H. Sears was chosen secutary of the East Dennis & West Brewster Band of Hope. William F. Howes has gone to sea 2nd mate to New Orleans. Please excuse all mistake.

From you Cousin.

Brenard.