To Capt. Samuel Chase.

Capt. Samuel Chase is owner & commander
Of a very fine Schooner which is called The governor.
She soon will be ready to sail on the sea.
With her white sails glittering in sunny gleam.

This Schooner is manned with a very fine crew.
And every thing they will do for you to do.
Money is there object and that this must gain.
For they never would ply those blue waters in vain.

Your duty now on the high sea.
Your money in cash you shall have soon.
Now I will do the best that I can.
As Capt. Chase will approve of the plan.

You may load me now with whatever you please.
I can carry my cargo with perfect ease.
You know I am built as firm & as staunch.
As any fine Schooner. That ever was launch'd.

You have left your wife, you have left your home.
With me on the ocean you to swim.
With two fine sons that with us will cope.
As we with our cargo do plunge through the deep.
I will plough this wide ocean though thick & though thin
Money for my owners I will fly for & win
I'll sell those blue waters when high or when low
With my white sails glittering in sight, I will go

Time is dull & money is tight
The hot head of New London is ready to fight
But Parnassus hopes the times will be better
For the President's wife in diamonds does the glitter

How Captain Chase be at good cheer
You know I never will stand in the rear
I will take all the freight you can get for me
And carry it safe to the coast aboard sea

This ends the Governor of South Dennis
There but one daughter her name is Louisa
A very fine lady she seems for to be
You shall see it is fair and her form is quite tall
She is sixteen years old if she lives till next fall

Louisa J. Chase is name of her Aunt
And nothing she has looks mean or looks grand.
Her clothing she wears is the best can be bought
And that from a child she has always been taught
If her Aunt should give her a Watch and a Chain
I am sure these presents would not make her fair
For she is a girl of fine taste and that can be seen
Especially when she is dressed for a gown.

Her prospects in life bids fair for life
If she chooses a partner that don't follow the sea
The man that she loses she wants him at home
And not in the ocean gulf for ever.

The town of South Dennis I have a house that is fine
And every thing neat & nice in my line
My family will go in for the best & I am among them with the rest.

I have a new wagon I think it is neat
And every thing about it suits me complete
My horse is so smart it cannot be beat.
If you can catch this fine Animal I will give you a treat.

Now I am young & just in my prime
I will have plenty of money if you will give me time
I can sit in my arm chair and smoke a cigar
With my dogs & floating on the waves after

Our folks wants to know if you are going to the Flakes to day
Trust you have a gun
How rich do you stand in your best
In a tough snow storm.
March the 16 1861
To Capt Samuel Chase.

1 Capt Samuel Chase is owner & commander
Of a very fine schooner which is called the governor
She soon will be ready to sail on the sea
With her white sails glittering in merry glee

2 This schooner is manned with a very fine crew
And every thing they will try for to do
Money is their object and that they must gain
For they never would ply these blue waters in vain

3 Your property now on the high sea
Your money in cash you paid for me
Now I will do the best that I can
As Cape Chase will approve of the plan

4 You may load me now with whatever you please
I can carry my cargo with perfect ease
You know I am built as firm & as staunch
As any fine schooner that ever was launched

5 You have left your wife – you have left your home
With me on the ocean for to roam
With two fine sons that with us will keep
As we with our cargo do plunge through the deep

6 I will plough this wide ocean through thick & through thin
Money for my owners I will try for to win
I will sail these blue waters blow high or blow low
With my white sails glittering in port I will go

7 Times is dull & money is tight
The hot headed Southerners is ready to fight
But I am in hopes the times will be better
For the Presidents wife in diamonds doth glitter

8 Now Capt Chase – be of good cheer
You know I never will stand in the rear
I will take all the freight you can get for me
And carry it safe or, e the broad broad sea
How is M[?] Love to Luck um Ellis.

This ends the Governor of South Dennis

I have but one daughter her name is Louie
A very fine lady she seems for to be
Her face it is fair and her form is quite tall
She is sixteen years old if She lives till Next fall

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Especially when she is drest for a queen

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\textsuperscript{12} Louisa Spencer Chase, daughter of Samuel and Susan (Kelley), was born in Dennis 11 Sep 1845; she died there, unmarried, of a “stoppage”, 14 Sep 1872; she is buried on the family plot, Lot 203, South Dennis Congregational Cemetery.
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With my ships A floating on the waters afar

[Here the verses end, but she continues on with the following:]
Our folks wants to know if you are going to the flakes to day
Won,t you have A gum
How high do you stand in your boot,s
In a tough snow Storm

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