

The beneficial results which  
my spring trip to the country  
had already had on my  
health. I am not at  
present sensible of any  
inconvenience with my  
eyes, though working good  
hours daily, and have  
not been for months past.  
I have often spoken with <sup>him</sup> ~~you~~  
about you, and need not tell  
you what a constant interest  
he takes in all that concerns  
you. He himself is, I am  
glad to think, doing well at  
present, and in just thinking  
of an excursion to Newcastle  
& perhaps to the Highlands  
in company with his wife.  
He lately finished his large  
oil picture of Romeo & Juliet  
but I did not see it, as he  
would not show it while in  
progress, & most stultically