

Navy Yard Wash: D.C. Feb 7 1879

Sir

The Gunboat N: 140. being considered as unworthy of repair - the undernamed persons attached to her, appear to be no longer necessary viz:

Andrew Dorgan	Master	N: 6 W: Savage	Seaman
Joseph Webster	Mate	7. W: Nicholls	Ditto
Will: Johnson	Ditto	8. Henry Martin	Steward
John Jacobs	Gun:	9. Charles Johnson	Boy
Will: Penny	Cook	10. John Thomson	Seaman

The latter (N: 10) is sick in the Hospital here.

I beg leave therefore to request your instructions, to what duty they shall be ordered?

The Gun Boat N: 137 (Moses Middleton Mast) will be speedily ready to leave this on duty - when you will be pleased to direct to what station, I shall order her - Mr Middleton states that he musters "only seven in number" and asks a transfer of the remainder of Mr Dorgan's crew.

In reply to your letter of yesterday, I have to inform

you that, five hundred weight, to half a ton of Block tin

will be sufficient, for the castings for the frigate Adams.

I have the honor to be

very respectfully

Yours

J. M. Tinsley

Hon: W. Jones.