

Gunpowder. I have not been able to ascertain the exact quantity on hand here and elsewhere, but will do so before the arrival of the Stevens so as to report. Fail not however to send out in your next vessel 100 Barrels of 5<sup>th</sup> Kegs. Within the last 9 months we have had to remove the lower floor in our Powder Magazine, yet already the bug-a-bugs have eaten through the floor, attacked the kegs, destroying them and causing a loss of powder. Have the kindness to send us 2 Tons of Coarse

Common Salt in Sacks, this is designed to cover the entire surface or area of the house beneath the floor, fail not to send it.

We had 3 day Casks containing Ten Flasks of Sponting Powder rec<sup>d</sup> from England, it had only been in Magazine 2 Months, yet the head of each keg next the floor was eaten entirely out, and every flask contained was embedded in bug-a-bug clay - the paper around the flasks were probably the attraction.

The Crew of the "Tenth Grosvenor" were discharged before the Consul, each receiving three mos advances. The Consul requires your Captain to take care of them as distressed Seamen, it seems hard, yet I have promised to use no influence against it.

The Liberator Bonds will be used or partly consumed in the payment of the duties on "Gensons" prod Imports, when thus used the principle and interest (com<sup>d</sup>) will pass to your credit & the discount that we shall claim will accrue to our benefit as we substitute available for unavailable money. We hold this to be an equitable and fair arrangement, state our intentions, and hope for your Father's cheerful acquiescence. We will inform you of the sum gained by the transaction.

We propose shipping by the "Stevens" on our private account between 15,000 & 20,000 Gallons Palm Oil and say 10 Tons Camwood. Please insure for us to the amount of Eight thousand Dollars, more or less, fail not. We shall also remit drafts for "Stevens" on private account, but can't state the amount now, nor can we fully determine on how the proceeds of the whole shall be invested. Our atom will be 40,000 Gallons Palm Oil Casks, good hard Stave Casks.

I have neglected to charge entrance, clearance, Anchorage &

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II. Correspondence Received

A. Letter Books

14. November 1857--November 1863

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