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BK Ocean Steed Oct 6th 1868
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Dr Sir The Addison
is now bound home to ship to you
her five casks of Sperm Oil 238 240
2 238 318 302 1381 Gals. - 43 Bbls
26½ Gals. - all marked Ocean Steed
I have received from Capt. Cornell
2 Boxes of Sugar - the weight and price
to be determined on and settled by you
I have also received from Capt.
Cornell 6 Boxes of Tobacco for sales -
rather than for him to throw it overboard
I shall remain here as long as I pos-
sible can - we are having rough
weather but we find whales
expect to be at Fuzal about the
mid of Nov. - I have all told
520 Bbls. - My respects to Mrs.
Hadley and Sir Oblige
Yours respectfully

I send my Cooper to BK
Addison He is sick and unable
to do duty - He has no bill on
board

Yours &c
L.P.P.

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Dr Sir My last to you
per BK Addison was written in great haste, I had
time to say but little as it was blowing a gale,
you must therefore excuse my very brief note and any
and all imperfections you may find in it. We are
now on our way to Fuzal, - left the Ocean Steed
ground on the 3rd inst, with 700 Bbls Sperm all told,

I regretted leaving very much as we was sure of
seeing whales every day we could keep on the ground

We had strong gales and strong currents to contend with
and being much out of water and crash and steering with
tackles we had hard work to keep up, - For the last
two weeks we had a gale about all the time and
being in the rifs we kept dancing about pretty nearly

I have been ever so mad with you for not putting
in more ballast, - We are all out of water like a blas-
ted whale, and I intend to put in a lot of rocks at
the first place we anchor.

I have seen only three whales since leaving home
The Concordia, the Addison and the Com. Morris

I spoke the Com. Morris three weeks ago with
250 Sperm 30 whale - Saw her cutting three days
after and on the 2nd inst, saw her trailing, she no
doubt will remain on the ground as long as possible
and will probably make up 500 before he leaves.

I had a vessel like the Addison or Com.
Morris