

I am well aware that there are times
when Agents & Owners care not to hear from
their vessels - for instance when a large
draft is drawn - when clean - and when
there is no report of oil - and as I
have taken no oil since my last have
nothing new to communicate - I should
not mind writing you very often providing
I could give you fresh news of the taking
of a hundred barrels of sperm oil every time
on these conditions I should be most happy
to write you twice per month certain.
My respects to Mr. Hadley. Please
write often and be Obedient &c
G. Borden

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No 9

Hamilton Bermuda Feb. 12th 1869
Lorenzo Perce, Esq.
New Bedford

Sir Sir In my last I
wrote you that I should ship you only
about 210 Bbls of my oil - the prices not war-
renting the shipment of the remainder -
Since that time we have received news of
the advance of 20 & 25 c per gallon in the price,
and I shall ship you all I have. There
being 56 casks containing 12197 Gals or
387 Bbls 64 Gals.

I also ship you as per request an old
steering apparatus marked Ocean Steed - all
on board the schooner George Brown of Bermuda
formerly of Fair Haven and bound to New York
and consigned to Messrs. Middleton & Co 48 Exchange
Place New York - I also forward you a
list of Gauges -

I have bought 2 chain cables for Bal-
last and shall try to get away from here
as soon as possible - My crew or a por-
tion of them seem very much dissatisfied and
wish to get away from the ship - some
have run away and others are trying to
get their discharge - I regret to say the
mate is very regardless of his duty in port
and if he does not encourage insubordination
does nothing to discourage it - the most of