

Bark Pacific Sept 6th 1875
Abram Allen Esqr
New Bedford

Dear Sir

We have lately recd a letter from Noah Hammond Esqr of Mattapoisett stating that his duties as administrator of the estate of father Butts was at an end. That the remainder of the personal property had been divided according to law and the Real Estate remained idle, awaiting the disposition of the heirs. We, Mrs. Borden and myself, think it for the interest of all concerned to rent the place (not including the window thirds that being already rented) for what it will bring for the next year or more, after that we shall be at home and then can otherwise dispose of it. The fear that it cannot be sold unless at a sacrifice now. Still if the other heirs feel disposed to sell by auction or otherwise and can close up, we will have no objection providing it will bring near its value, which in our opinion should be about \$1800. We would not sell for less than \$1500, one third of which must go to mother Butts leaving only \$1000 for each of the heirs with expenses & pay etc. You can see John Howland & talk with him about the matter, but we do not wish for you to have any trouble about it. We do not think the place should remain idle, if it can be rented it will be an advantage to the place.

We are all quite well at present, but Bertie is not very strong he is easily affected by any sudden change in the weather, Mrs. B. is as well as usual, as also your humble servant. We all send our kindest regards to all. To yourself, Mrs. & Sarah Allen, Abe and all engaging friends.

Hoping we may hear from you often we remain
Your sincere friends

G. B. Borden
For himself and wife

P.S. We have 1300 all told

G. B. B.

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Noah Hammond Esqr
Mattapoisett

Dear Sir

Your kind letter

of June 5th was received on our arrival at Fagat on the 10th of Aug. We were misinformed in regard to your relinquishing the administration of the estate of Patrick M Butts. Our information relating thereto could not have been reliable, for which please accept our apologies. We very much regret that Heith's claim to support could not be sustained. Mrs. Borden and myself are disposed for her and mother Butts to be provided for to the full amount of the estate. We also regret that you have had so much trouble with the estate on account of Joseph, and rejoice with you now the trouble is over. We thank you for the kind interest manifested in Heith and mother Butts.

We think it best to rent the place for the coming year, and have written to Abram Allen to that effect. If you in any way assist we should feel obliged. After the coming year we shall be at home and then we can sell, or purchase from the other heirs.

We talk some of settling there ourselves, but should there be a chance for selling for value and closing the matter up, we of course will consent.

Our kindest regards to mother Butts and
Sir we remain yours most respectfully,
G. B. Borden

No 17
Generiffe Nov. 10th 1875
Messrs. Swift & Perry
New Bedford

Gentlemen

This is to advise you that I have this day drawn a Draft on you to 10 dms in favor of Wm Dabney of this place for Gold 34 1/2 - 41 1/2 for supplies on account of the Bark Pacific under my command.

G. B. Borden