

at sea 1622

Barth Daniel Webster May 12th 1879
W. L. N. Swift Esq
New Bedford

Dear Sir

I am now hauling my fourth whale
50 bbls. taken on the 9th inst. 405 bbls. this season

You gave me an account, in book, of 30 Pierce's
Bomb Lancets, but I have not been able to find
only one box, of 15. I am in want of a few articles
and hope you will send them by steamer or other
wise, in time to meet me, if possible, at Montevideo
by the 1st of October.

Heretofore I have given you my reasons for pre-
ferring Pierce's to Brand's Bomb Lancets, but now may
send the whichever you think proper. I need for
ships use as follows;

- 1 Pierce's Darting Guns
- 30 Pierce's Lancet Bombs for Darting Guns
- 30 Bombs for Eggan and Brand's small size Guns
- 12 Joggle Drums for Pierce's Guns
- 12 pairs Pigeons 8^o to 10^o inclusive
- 12 All Wool Shirts
- 24 do. do. Under Shirts
- 24 pairs do do Drawers
- 24 do do do Stockings
- 2 lbs. Linen Thread - Brown

I make no report of cruises here
as you will have the report more fully direct from
them

Please send me what information you can
in regard to Russian Cruisers. When and date of
seeing whales &c. Send Shipping List and
Newspaper.

and Sir Oblige

Yours Most Respectfully
G. B. Borden

Barth Daniel Webster June 28th 1879
Brother Benjamin

your letter under date of Feb.
16th & 27th to Montevideo was received by me
three days ago not being quite ready to enter
port I sent in for letters and refreshments
and was lucky enough to fall in with the
vessel when only three days out.

We were sorry to hear that another had been so
unwell. but glad to hear that she had got around
again - you must see that another does not get
neglected - give her our kindest love and best
wishes for health and happiness - I have not fully
recovered my strength - the fever settled in my
right shoulder and it remains quite weak. I have
the Rheumatism in both arms and shoulders - My
general health is as good as ever.

some of the fleet on Pat. did well the first part
of the season, but I was too late for the cut. but
since arriving on the ground have taken as much
oil as any one - a little more - we have cut five whales
making 450 bbls oil and 3 walls. Bone. When I
left the ground about a week ago the weather was
very bad and I had seen but a few whales for four
or five weeks - I shall go there again after leaving
Montevideo, in Oct. I am now bound to
St. Catharines for water, then then think of taking a
spin whale cruise for a month or two off Cape
Braz. If you get this in time write immediately
to Montevideo that I may get your letter in Oct.
I cannot now tell where I shall cruise next summer
but think some of the Atlantic Ground. Unless
I do well shall not be at home next spring -
will give you the particulars at Montevideo.

I don't think you need an order from me to draw
money from Rogers, Wiken & Swift - the name of the
firm has been changed you see - as I gave W. L.
N. Swift instructions to remit to you whenever
sales of oil had been made. However I will send
you another, but before presenting at bank, if
any payment have been made on any previous order
some people would see such orders illegally,
if they happen to fall in their way.