

Benjamin Clough

After Nov. 7 my grandfather inserted and sealed in with red wax wafers an account of the events of Nov 5, of which he had made no entry, his right hand being very lame. (He wrote his father in Monmouth that he could scarcely hold a pen because of injuries to his right arm. This letter to Asa Clough agrees with the added sealed account, but gives additional details. It is printed in "Nineteenth Century Letters," Modern Students Library, Scribners, 1919.

- Benjamin Crocker Clough
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Starbuck's statement that the Sharon started, returned, and started out again ^{is an error.} It does not check with this. The cooper's log ^{is in Oct.} (The beginning of Haves Norris's log is missing.) [Starbuck says she made a voyage Apr. 14 - Oct. 29, 1841, but returned "in consequence of sickness among the officers." This is absurd. Perhaps there was such a voyage in 1840? (not recorded, if so.)] - Benjamin C. Clough.

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Dec 31, 1840, Herman Melville
shipped on the Anchoret at
Newbury. Jan 3 they sailed
Leyden 1, 113. (Mercery Jan. 4)

Note numerous desertions Oct. 20-25
1842.

I. Capt. Haves Norris's log is in the Dukes Co. Hist. Soc. Mus. at Edgartown, but pages have evidently been removed, in spite of a ms. note by the second Haves Norris that it is intact.

II. The cooper's log of this voyage is in the Nicholson collection. Extracts (incl. Benj. Clough's exploit) privately printed by Nicholson.

III. In 1962 a Mrs. Adair of Wollaston, Mass gave the O.D. Whaling Museum at New Bedford the journal kept on this voyage by her grandfather, James Johnson.

The memoranda (they are only that) in the back pages of this book relate to the next (1845) voyage of the Sharon, with Benjamin Clough as master.
B.C.C.