

nothing this season, Jamaica Newellton N.B.  
nothing this season, Stafford King N.B. 60 bbl  
Sperm this season, 290 all told Edward Corn  
Ed. Selvia N.B. 180 Sperm this season 400 all told  
about Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> BK President Leubury N.B.  
nothing this season, The Ed. Everett & Stafford  
took their oil to the north they have not been  
South. Most of the vessels coming down saw  
whales off Cape Cod, but they could not stop.  
were in haste to get off the River I was cruising  
to, with C. Mc when she took both her whales  
she raised them once and I once, at both times  
we each got a whale.

I expect to be at Bermuda by the 10<sup>th</sup> of May.  
at which place write and I will

Oblige Yours  
Most Respectfully  
G. B. Borden

Bark Pacific January 28<sup>th</sup> 1874  
Messrs. Wm. Phillips & Son  
New Bedford  
Gentlemen

Will you  
be kind enough to drop me a line at Bermuda by  
the 10<sup>th</sup> of May, informing me of your progress in  
the schooner building on Fish Island last fall,  
please give me name, tons Register, destination &c,  
also prop cost. Please have my "Bill of Sale" duly re-  
corded at the Custom House, and then deliver the same  
on application to my wife, Mrs. G. B. Borden

When ready for delivery please drop her a line  
by post, address 63 Thomas St. N.B. Mrs. Borden  
then join me at Bermuda in May, and anything  
you have for me you can send by her  
and I will be obliged.

Yours Truly  
G. B. Borden  
Master Bark Pacific  
of New Bedford  
Messrs. Swift & Perry Agents

Bark Pacific April 20<sup>th</sup> 1874  
Messrs. Swift & Perry  
New Bedford  
Gentlemen

Since my last to  
you on the 28<sup>th</sup> of Jan. I have seen whales four  
times and taken two small ones making 50 bbls,  
— have had several missed. My boatmen are  
about worthless. The whole of them put together  
would not make half of one good man. I think  
you must have broken your rule "of shipping only  
men that had been in successful ships" Aside  
from the officers and cooper we have not a single  
man that has been in anything like a successful  
vessel. They represent the most unfortunate vessels  
of the fleet. Only wanting one, the Schooner  
Petrel to complete the list. Jereh S. Reynolds was  
sick when we came from home — was sick or unwell  
until his death. Although not off duty much of the  
time, was unable to perform his duty as a boatman  
any part of the time. — Was mate of Brig Industry  
— discharged for drunkenness and neglect of duty  
— shipped as boatsteerer, it became immaterial to him  
whether the world wagged on or not. his greatest am-  
bition was to kill time.

Perfina Jose de Alencar, from BK India, had  
the vessel when we came from home. After getting  
over that, was taken with a fever which held on about  
six weeks — was carried on to a large whale and  
missed (or equivalent) darting both irons, without  
orders before getting up to the whale — when up there  
had no irons — was carried on to another whale and  
ordered to dart but being so slow about it, the whale  
kicked up under the boat, stove her and went off. The  
boatsteerer tumbling down in the head of the boat and  
groaning as though he was almost killed. He is a  
big calf, and a real thick headed numbskull. One  
of the other boatmen's boats gave up chasing to take  
him on board the ship, thinking he was dreadfully  
hurt, but he was only frightened, and lip slightly cut,  
— was well enough after getting safe on board away  
from the whale — is very clumsy in the boat — cannot  
roll the sail up in a calm, and knows nothing on  
board the ship — he takes no interest at all. The in-