

Norfolk, Va. 2 Nov. 1857.

Primo J. Crowell, Esq.

East Dennis, and New York

Dear Sir, Your favor of the 30. ult. from New York, has been handed us by Capt. Howe, and we regret to notice that you blame us for the Hippogriff's discharge at the Port of Norfolk before this reaches you, that you will have seen Capt. Sears, and that he has put you right in this matter. It is true, Messrs. F. Parson & Brother allowed her to discharge here at our request - but we made this request of them at the request of Capt. Sears - when he first called at our Office, we told him we held orders for his ship to proceed to Baltimore, and after some little talk we asked him, how he would like to come to Norfolk, when he replied, he would be glad to do <sup>so</sup>, as he was unwell, and desired to go home - we told him then if he desired to discharge here, we would telegraph Messrs. F. Parson & Brother - but that he would have to wait until we could get a reply - the telegraph was made at his request - shown him - he waited reply, and then came to Norfolk. It is not our wish to bring a ship here ~~without~~ <sup>without</sup> the Captain's consent. We desired to pay the freight here, and regret that you cannot receive it as a pro-  
-bond, except so far as the ship's expenses may go - we should be glad if on further consideration you would consent to receive it here, and so advise advise Capt. Howe, in time to settle it before he leaves - we desire to make everything connected with the business of the ship entirely satisfactory, if it be possible.

Very Respectfully, Sir,

J. W. & R. W. & R. W. & R. W.

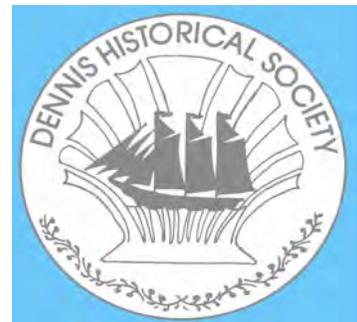
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Prince S. Crowell, Esq<sup>r</sup>  
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