

Dear Sir North Carolina Bertie County March 10th 1755

Your favour of Capt Nolds's came safe to hand the 26 January and I am much oblig'd
to you for your recommendation of me to Mr Warner, it likewise gave me great pleasure,
to hear of the familys being all in health, I rec'd Mr Warners favours also and I am much
oblig'd to him for his Consignment, but I am sorry the Vessel arrived so late for the tar here
was all shipped of except a small quantity I had by me and as I did not expect a Vessel,
after Christmas I sent out 420 Barrels of my Tar to other Merchants and could command
it at this time for this is a time of year when there is no Tar burnt of but the time is now
commencing when there will be large quantities to be had the last of March & the mid
of April is the proper season for Tar here but have done the best that lies in my power
for him I have given her as good dispatch as this time would admit of, I had a considerable
loss in what Tar I had by me occasioned by a large flood of water that our flooded,
A piece of the ground where the Tar was which in a great measure retarded the dispatch
I expected. Mr Warner writes me he will send me a large Sloop or Schooner immediately
after the return of this Schooner Home so that she may appear with me by the last of
April on which I shall fully depend as I shall provide a cargo of Pitch Tar and turpentine
and have it all at Landings by that time also shall provide a cargo for a small Vessel on my
own proper acct and I should be extremely oblig'd to you would you charter me a
small Vessel burthened 200 Barrels or upwards to be with me by the fifteenth of April for
I would not chuse she should arrive when Messrs Warners doth but would have her
dispatch'd just as the other should arrive I would chuse to have her chartered by the bar,
or by the run but doe as you think most convenient for me I will oblige myself to stand to
Any contract you shall enter into on my acct. Pray send her not empty least it should
frighten my Customers but send the small matters as per Memorand Inclosed, it gives me
Infinit concern when ever I think of my Non appearance with you the last Fity which
time is now elapsed my reasons shall give you when I have the pleasure to drink a Glass
with you I intend home to, Place in the next Vessel from Messrs Warner but if none appears
I must be oblig'd to embark in the Vessel you charter for me for nothing but Death shall retard
my embarkation) rec'd your box Ginger and will doe every thing that lies in my power
to serve you but as yet have not sold any of it but expect it will sell soon, have sent you
twenty Cow Hydres 300 which you take in part for the Ginger the not sold, I propose carry
on a trade between N^o Carolina & New England & should be Glad Messrs Warners would sign
me which may be done as I intend to settle in your town after April next and must
Imagin that a trade between the two Provinces must and if well regulated, I have
a very convenient Place here for Trade & Store Houses & Store proper so that I can carry
it on without my being here the Vessel you charter for me, allow three Weeks after they
arrive up with Jason Creek or the place I shall name if longer or loading. I am ever

The watch Tent you Pleas to send by one of the Vessels as it belongs to a friend
 of mine and he wants it Pleas to send on and the Charges you are out Repairing it
 you forward Messrs Warners Vessel by the last of April as the Tax I purchase will
 be out at Landings Not only that but I will send a large Vessel to come home in with
 A Cabin fit to Accomodate a passengers you likewise forward the Articles contain'd
 in my Memoir to them Gentlemen, the Inclosid you deliver without being surpris'd
 which will be infinite Pleasure, to I Sir y^r most Humble Serv^t

If Mr Trail should Incline to
 send here I will do the best that
 lies in my Power for him he may
 send his goods in my Store House &
 I will Dispatch the Vessel

Wm Lloyd Garrison