

Boston Sept. 24. 1856

Messrs. C. Dawson & Son

Pictou

Gentlemen.

Your favor 21st ^{Aug.} duly at hand, and considering, that the only trouble we gave you, or wished to make you, was what barely occurred in the ordinary way of business, we think the censuring language of your letter, was uncalled for - and are constrained to believe it was written under ignorance entirely of the transaction, and we much regret it was so misunderstood.

The box was sent in bond to Boston from Montreal, and must necessarily pass through the Custom House - It was directed care of Messrs. Larbois, Carter & Bazin, but they, on being applied to, were unwilling to take the trouble of so trifling an affair, and left it with Messrs. Cheney & Co. the express Co. who brought the box from Montreal, to take charge of. - We are attorneys for Messrs. Cheney & Co. and do all their business at the Custom House of whatsoever nature, which will explain the manner in which the package fell into our hands. - The whole matter stands in Messrs. Cheney & Co's name, though it is left with us to settle it up. - the charge for expressage \$3.25 we paid Messrs. C. & Co. - we did not question same, supposing it a just charge, but if it is

more than you ordinarily pay, we have no doubt they will satisfy you. if you apply to them.

Concerning the compromise mentioned in your favor Dec last to Lamborn. G. B. would say, we did not know of same until receipt of your under consideration - we were not interested in the transaction, any farther than to see the box forwarded to you from this port, and being not at all in our way of business, it could not be expected we should accept of it.

We beg to say that our collector, on our presenting the matter to him, with your correspondence, has kindly cancelled the bond, and we shall not be under the necessity of further troubling you.

We trust the explanations we have herein made will prove satisfactory, and the errors by which your opinions were formed, have been clearly pointed out.

Very Respectfully

Yours Obedtly
Stone & Doerner
for Jones.

Letter
Stone & Downer
24 Sep 1856