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Description: Letter concerning discovery of slate vein in Brownville

Greenport: July 1, 1833

Dear Sir,

Your wellcome letter of the 18 of June forwarded by Capⁿ Brackett came to hand last week, in which you informed me of a slate quarry being descovered in the visinity of Bangor, and if of the right sort, it must be of great value.

I am sorry to inform you that

it is not in my power at presen[^] to go and see it, as to my busines in the State of Maine, I am in hopes of getting accomplished without going there my self.

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As to have an under[^] of the Slate quarry busnes, I proffess to be a master of that business, being brought up to it with my Father from my childhood, and followed the same in co with my father untill I engaged in the ministry of the gospel. If there is any gentleman

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wishing me to inspect the place where the Slates are suposed to be I am perfectly willing to gratify

them providing they will sufficien^ remunerate me for my time and expenses.

When Capⁿ B. return here agan from B. please to send me a spesimen of the Slate by him, also give a discription of the land where the slate lay, and whether it is a level or a Side Hill place, I care nothing about the soile. Say also whether it is a narrow vaine or an extensive ledge. Say also how dos it lay, whether it lays flat or perpendicular. or what way do they cross north or south, east or west. if you give me these particulars I may be able to deside whether the object would be worth my going to see it.

Mr. Jerome's Family are all well and glad to hear from you and wishing to be remembered to to you.

Respectfully yours
David James