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Gas. Sch. Duxbury, Deering, Alaska, Aug. 30, 1910.

## Dear Mr. Evans:

I have just been ashore looking into the facts connected with the landing of the freight there. Both Mr. Redwood and Mr. Daniels were away on a trip up the river, so all I could get was from Dr. Newson. Here is what he said. The St. Helens captain talked with you over the telephone, asking for \$300.00 a day while he was waiting for the Bender Bros. This you would not allow. You told him at that time, so the Capt. told Dr. Newson, to go ahead and land the freight. He landed 152 tons of freight and gave Dr. Newson \$532 which he was to use in paying the natives for lighterage. Dr. Newson has receipts for the money paid out. All the landing at Deering was done in one day. The weather was favorable. All the freight was in good condition when put ashore. There is only a little government freight stored at Deering, and that belongs at Kivalena. The whole supply for Kivalena is there at Deering. I tried to get it aboard the Duxbury but the coal they could not handle anyway. There are 326 sacks of coal. Dr. Newson has checked over the Kivalena freight and finds all there except three pieces. There were duplicate papers with Dr. Newson. I took one set and left the other with him to use in making the shipment to Kivalena. Since the Duxbury cannot handle it I may be able to get the Volante to take the goods up. There is a store house half full of native goods there for natives up the coast,

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mostly those at Pt. Hope. Dr. Newson said there was some for Barrow. But as it was all piled up without assortment I did not see any. I gave him your directions regarding it, should any be found.

This scattered Gov. freight is at Deering:

- 1 Drum coal oil, marked Icy Cape,
- 2 kts. Drips, " Pt. Hope.
- 1 Bx. Dried Apples " Selawik.

According to Dr. Newson this is all there is. These I have seen. Perhaps a drum of oil has gone forward to Icy Cape and this one belongs to another school though it is marked "Icy Cape".

I went ashore at Wales and found Mr. and Mrs. Pigeon walking on the shore. His freight came in good condition and without storage. He gave the Capt. vouchers for \$102.00, who was in turn to pay the natives \$90.00. This he did not do and the natives at Wales are still waiting for their pay. Dr. Thompson was anxious to come to Shishmaref to look out for his freight. He would have come but Mr. Cross did not want him to be away when he started for the outside. I thought we would make a stop there, then I could do it, but we made no stop.

More after I have been ashore at Blossom and Kotzebue.