Kotzebue, Alaska, Aug. 31, 1910.

Dear Mr. Evans:

Nothing was put ashore at Keewalik. The Keewalik Lighterage Co. wanted them to land all of the freight there, but Mr. Allen who was aboard advised going on to Kotzebue. This he did.

The St. Helens laid outside Kotzebue for 6 days, because of rough weather, before she could make a landing. Then it was very rough. Natives were afraid to go out. One sloop capsized

Alex. Allen landed the Gov. freight, having contracts with the Seattle office, so Mr. Hall told me, to do it at \$3.50 a ton. His vessel was wrecked and all of his papers lost as well.

788 sks. of coal were landed at Sadie Creek, about six miles from Kotzebue Village. Neither Mr. Sickles or Mr. Hornden did anything to help out in that, says Mr. Hall, so the Capt. of the St. Helens asked him to do it. He wanted pay for his work, so I told him to make out his bill, but I would not promise it would be paid. It is enclosed.

The Bender Bros. took 320 sks. of coal from Sadie Creek, or Reed's Pt., six miles from Kotzebue. The Keewalik Lighterage Co. did the work of loading the Bender Bros.

When we reached Kotzebue the Volante had gone on to Seering. We passed her while in at Keewalik. Mr. and Mrs. York, who were here at Kotzebue, got aboard the Volante and went on down

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to Deering. He will see that the Kivalena freight is taken aboard all right. I hope Capt. Barklund comes in here, either going up or coming back; then I can fix up the matter with him.

I understand that the Bender Bros. moght have carried the Kivalena mail, but Mr. York did not want to sign vouchers.

The Bender Bros. came up to Kotzebue, where Mr. York talked with the Capt. Then she went back to Deering. There is some lumber - I suppose that 167 ft. for Kivalena, at Sadie Creek now.

The St. Helens Capt. rented a store house at Deering for \$50.00, and when he found it so difficult to land here, he went back there and put in his goods.

Dick Hall paid \$755.15 freight charges to St. Helens Capt. on Mr. Lipp's goods and natives and Pt. Hope mission goods.

There were \$800.00 worth of C. O. D. goods for natives.

This, Mr. Sickles bought from the Capt. says Mr. Hall. Mr.

Hornden took care of his own and Mr. Cox's freight, says Mr. Hall.

If I can connect with the Volante, I'll get the lumber aboard. At once, upon the departure of the Duxbury, I will walk down and look at what is landed.

Yours,

C. W. Hawkesworth.