

Letter

To the Editor:

My sister, Andrea Leonard, sent to me a copy of Volume 14, Number 2, of the Summer 2000 edition of *Spritsail*. It was a great pleasure to read the entire publication and I would like to send a copy of this publication to a friend who I am sure will find it of great interest.

If there are still available, copies of this current edition of *Spritsail*; I would be grateful if you could forward the same to me at my address above. I have enclosed a postage prepaid envelope addressed to me. In addition, I am pleased to enclose a small donation in appreciation of your having published this fine booklet containing a portion of Oliver Lovell's diary.

Lovell was an interesting man. On his residence premises, near his home in Osterville, was a grave stone marking the grave of a horse that he had owned for many years and of which he was very fond. I have been told by my mother that he also owned a fine dog, "Pilot", for whom he also held a great affection. My mother told me that Lovell asked the Baptist Minister in the village to say a few words over the grave of "Pilot" when the dog died, "as he didn't want to go to Heaven if Pilot wasn't there". She stated that the Minister declined.

With thanks for any help you may be able to give, I am,

Sincerely yours,
Philip Leonard