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Your esteemed favor of yesterday came to hand. The Bark "Elena Kinch" which I have built here in 1861 for Mr Kinch of Altona, was thoroughly salted as I do with all my new vessels which I build.

The stops of where the salt water is put between the timbers, before the outer planks are put on, and go as far down as the ballast load line.

There has never been found dry rot in all vessels which I have built for a number of years, one reason is they are always well salted, and another reason is the good quality of Oak used for ship-building here, the Oak used grows around the river border of this city.

I have at present 2 new vessels on the stocks, and a Daye built in N.Y. for sale.

I shall be happy to give you any further details.

Yours obediently
J. A. Meyer.