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Dear Anna

I found the
Sheffield box, agreeably to
your directions, I find
the lowest invoice
man ever made, —
"Wholesale price in Sheffield,"
with "cost of importation to
Boston." I am not enough
a judge of the articles to
be able to ascertain
the exact percentage
that should be added for
retail-dealer's profits —
even

If I had what the
shops sell, to combine
them with: and I
think these of the Bengons
must be greatly superior
to the ordinary imitations,
are there any more
documents that might,
as Mrs. Child says, "beare
light?"

Waiting to hear from
you before daring to
proceed, I am

My dear Anne
Yours most affectionately
A. W. Chapman

I have thought
of you & your dear
Mother continually
since hearing of her
illness. Pray give
my love, & my
assurance that

Mercury the God of
Thieves & Merchants
could not make her
Place good to me.

I do earnestly hope
that she is going
steadily & surely on
to complete recovery

Excuse this paper - I
did not see in my
haste that it was
scrambled on.

The question is, if
Mr Long's knife is marked
in the invoice, wholesale
shed price - 2/6

Cost of importation
to Boston — 87^{cts},

What am I to add, in
marking it, for the Fair,
(which represents the retail dealer)
I ought any thing to be added
~~to the price~~
for rarity & superiority, &
impossibility of obtaining
elsewhere?

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