

took in the jib and double reefed the topsails  
 At 5 A.M. set the jib and spanker. Breeze  
 got had strong gales, took in the fore sail and hove  
 too under close reefed main topsail main spanker  
 and fore topmast stay sail. At noon it moderated.  
 On the 2<sup>d</sup> they had a strong breeze from the  
 Westward. Handed the fore and main topgallant  
 sails main sail jib and spanker. At 6 double  
 reefed the topsail. Middle part fresh gales  
 and squally with rain. At 10 P.M. the weather  
 moderating they set the main sail and jib. At  
 midnight finally took in the jib. At 8 A.M. wore  
 ship to the Westward and handed the main sail.  
 At 10 set the main sail and spanker. Latter part  
 blowing with rain and squally. On Sunday the 2<sup>d</sup> they  
 arrived at New Bedford and anchored in the  
 lower harbor at about 2 o'clock in the afternoon.  
 And these appearers do further declare before  
 me the said Notary that at the time of their  
 departure from Calcutta aforesaid and through-  
 out her passage to New Bedford, the said vessel  
 was tight, staunch and seaworthy, well and  
 sufficiently manned equipped and furnished with  
 with all things necessary for her intended voyage  
 and that throughout the entire passage they  
 the said appearers did every thing in their power  
 to preserve the cargo from damage. And further  
 the said appearers did declare to protest as by  
 these presents they do solemnly protest against  
 the winds and waves, storms, tempests, and all  
 and all and every the perils of navigation, for  
 all loss detrimment or damage, suffered or sustained  
 by said vessel in her hull, tackle, apparel or cargo  
 the same having occurred through the perils aforesaid,  
 and not through the insufficiency of the said  
 vessel or her tackle, or through the inattention or  
 neglect of these appearers or of any of the crew, who  
 all, in the contrary, did their duty faithfully and  
 to the best of their ability. *John Anderson*

And therefore, I the said Notary, at the re-  
 -quest of the said Jeremiah Ripley master as aforesaid,  
 have protested and by these presents do solemnly  
 protest against all and every person whomsoever  
 whom it doth or may concern, for and on account  
 of all damages, losses, prejudices and detrimments  
 whatsoever which the said *Bonnie Secumash*, her tackle,  
 apparel, and cargo, or either of them have already  
 sustained or may hereafter sustain, for or by reason  
 and also against all charges and expenses whatsoever  
 which the owners and freighters thereof or any of them  
 may be put to or sustain for or by reason of the aforesaid  
 accident or otherwise relating thereto.

All which facts, matters, and things, are  
 declared, alleged, and affirmed as before is set forth  
 in the presence of me the said Notary, and  
 and therefore, I have hereunto subscribed my name  
 and affixed my seal Notarial, being requested  
 to certify and certify the premises.

Fees  
 Estimating 10.00  
 Recency 2.  
 Affidavit 50  
 12.50

*J. H. Ripley*  
 Notary Public

Given and protested  
 at the City of New Bedford  
 aforesaid, the day and year  
 above written.  
*Notary Public*

New Bedford December 28<sup>th</sup> 1848  
 I, James Mearns of Fairhaven in the County  
 of Bristol and State of Massachusetts do hereby  
 certify on oath that the schedule hereunto annexed  
 exhibits a full, just, and true account of the loss  
 sustained by me in consequence of fire in my ship  
 at Fairhaven aforesaid on the 19 day of the  
 present month; that the account of said  
 loss is estimated at Six hundred thirty seven  
 & 9/100 dollars, and that I have no other  
 insurance on said property than that with  
 the *Abena Insurance Company of*  
 *Hartford* per policy No. 144. I also certify  
 that according to the best of my knowledge and