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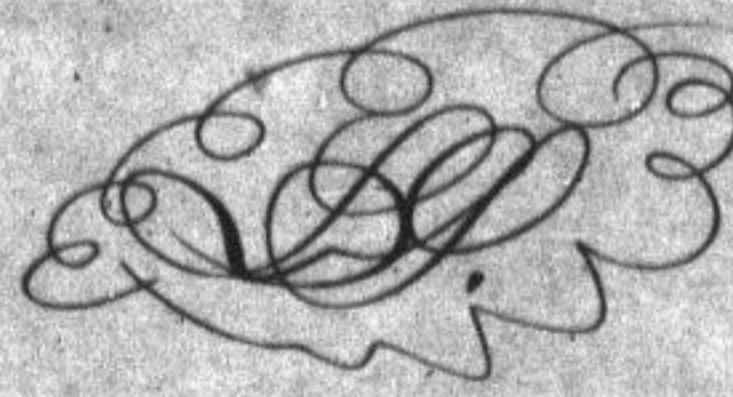
On the twenty ninth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine, before me William W. Taylor a Notary Public duly commissioned and sworn, residing in the City aforesaid personally appeared Aaron Mayhew of said City, mariner and being by me duly cautioned and sworn, deposes and says, that he joined the Barque Connecticut of New London, at Orono, New South Wales in the month of February, 1848, and sailed from there in the said ship on a whaling voyage, on the second day of March following: that she proceeded to the Japan Sea, had fine weather there and took five whales, making about three hundred barrels of oil. From there we went into the sea of Okhotsk and took no oil. The ship leaked a little in rugged weather, so that we had to pump her ~~away~~ for hours, she did not complain but appeared to be staunch and strong. In good weather we did not pump her ~~more~~ than once in three or four days, after we arrived at Honolulu every thing was discharged and the ship was sold.

I do not know whether the cargo was sold, but think it was. She had on board about 200 barrels of Whale Oil, 50 barrels of sperm oil and some Whale Bone, accordy to the best of my knowledge and belief

Aaron Mayhew

Witness Wm. W. Taylor.

And now the foregoing statement having been by me carefully read and explained to the said Aaron Mayhew he has therunto set his marks in my presence.



Intestimony whereof I have herewith set my hand and affixed my seal Notarial the day and year above written

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On this twenty ninth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine before me William W. Taylor a Notary Public duly commissioned and sworn residing in the City of New Bedford aforesaid County and Commonwealth aforesaid personally appeared Sutter J. Briggs of the City aforesaid master mariner and being by me duly cautioned and sworn duly deposes and says that he was master of the ship Formosa of New Bedford on her late whaling voyage and was at the Port of Honolulu in said ship in the months of November and December 1848 I arrived there on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November. The Barque Connecticut of New London arrived there a few days after I did. I did not know that she was in distress at all. Capt. Gann said that he had had heavy weather, on his passage across from the North West Coast: but he had lost nothing. Most of us lost spars or boats on the passage. I saw Capt. Gann the first evening he was on shore. He told me he was going to besper the ship and repair. A survey was soon after called upon, and reported that fifteen thousand dollars would be required to repair her and fit her for