

United States of America
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
District of New Bedford

Do it remember that on this 8th day of May in the year of our Lord 1850, before me William H. Taylor a Notary Public duly commissioned and sworn residing in the City of New Bedford County and Commonwealth aforesaid personally appeared William H. Whitfield Master of the Ship Neptune of New Bedford and states that he sailed in said ship from the Port of New Bedford aforesaid on the 24th day of April last having on board a cargo consisting of lumber and other merchandise, and having encountered heavy weather, and the ship having sprung an extraordinary leak whereby he fears that the same and cargo may have sustained damage. was constrained to put back for the benefit of all concerned and arrived in this Port on the 7th day of May instant. And now fearing loss and damage as before stated he desires to note his protest against the winds waves, storms, tempest, gales of winds, heavy seas and all other causes whereby the said ship hath suffered loss or damage in her hull, tackle, apparel, cargo or freight, with liberty to calculate the same at pleasure.

Witness my hand and seal this 8th day of May 1850.
William H. Whitfield
Notary Public.

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Personally appeared Matthew Rice and in my presence signed and sealed with the signature of Hathaway Thorne a certain letter of Attorney authorizing James Makee of Haverhill in their name and behalf to take possession of the Ship Jubilee of New Bedford discharge the the present master and appoint a new one in his stead: and acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed.

Matthew Rice
Notary Public

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Personally appeared J. Taber Master of the Ship Davila of New Bedford and on oath declared that said ship is wholly the property of Citizens of the United States.

Teste

J. Taber
Notary Public

Territory of California
District of San Francisco.

I W. H. Linton a Notary Public duly admitted and sworn dwelling in the City of San Francisco, District aforesaid, do hereby certify that on this twenty eighth day of March A.D. One thousand eight hundred and fifty, personally appeared before me, Samuel Perry and Thomas G. Bradford known to me, and made oath to the following facts. To-wit:

That one Seth Williams of Fairhaven