

United States of America
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Bristol Jr. City of New Bedford

Be it remembered that on this
eleventh day of June in the year of our Lord
One thousand eight hundred and fifty one
before me William H. Taylor a Notary Public
duly commissioned and sworn residing in
the City of New Bedford aforesaid, personally
appeared Eben Nickerson, master of the
Schooner Rebecca & Frances of Boston of the
burthen of One hundred and sixty tons or
thereabouts, and states that he sailed from
Savannah in the State of Georgia on the 29th
day of May last, in said Schooner, having
on board a cargo of sawed lumber, bound
for New Bedford aforesaid, and that on the
9th day of June instant, the wind blowing
strong with a very bad sea running, he
carried away the foremast and maintopmast
tearing the foresail, and chafing and injuring
the rigging, and ~~running further loss and~~
that he arrived at this Port at about half past
two o'clock this morning in tow of a pilot
boat; and fearing further loss and damage
desires to note his protest against the winds
and waves, high seas, and all other causes
whereby the said Schooner hath suffered or
sustained loss or damage in her hull tackle
apparel, furniture or cargo, with liberty to
extend the same at pleasure.

Eben Nickerson
All which is granted by me the said
Notary.
Wm H Taylor Notary Public

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June 17. 1857.

Personally appeared Thomas Reynolds
master of the Brigantine Minerva of New Bedford
and on oath declared that said Brigantine is
wholly owned by citizens of the United States

Per J. 1.00

Wm H Taylor Notary Public

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June 10. 1857

Personally appeared Benjamin Ellis
master of the Brigantine Elisha Simbard of New
Bedford and on oath declared that said Brigantine
is wholly owned by Citizens of the United States

Per J. 1.00

Wm H Taylor Notary Public

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June 20. 1857.

Personally appeared R. M. Edwards
master of the Brigantine Cherokee of New Bedford
and on oath declared that Michael P. Bismarck
was discharged at sea at his own request
and went on board the Fish Wife of New Bedford
and that John P. Carey and Abraham Taylor
did not render themselves on board said ship
before sailing from this port.

Per J. 1.50

Wm H Taylor
Notary Public