

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

To Messrs Edmund Fensom and
Borden Wood, both of New Bedford aforesaid
masters Mariners Greeting

In the name of the Comm-
wealth of Massachusetts you are hereby
authorized and required forthwith to proceed
to the Brig Maudslayi belonging to the Port of
Provincetown and now lying at Commercial
Wharf in said New Bedford, having recently
arrived from Liberia; and a strict and
thorough examination and survey of her cargo
and the stowage thereof to make, and also if
need be, in your judgment, of her hull and
apparel; and to this end you are authorized
and required to continue your examination
from time to time as circumstances may require
and when the same is completed to make and
return to me under oath or affirmation a
full report of your doings in the premises.

And all persons having the charge
and control of the said ship and cargo are
hereby required to render to the above named
Commissioners all necessary facilities in the
execution of their command.

Given under my hand and
Seal at said New Bedford
day of March A.D. 1852

Wm. Fayson Acting Public

Recd. 3.00
Paid 1.50
4.50

E. F.

New Bedford March 19. 1852
In pursuance of a warrant issued to the
undersigned by William H. Fayson Esq. a Notary Public
to repair on board the Brig Maudslayi from
Liberia, and in this Port to survey the stowage
of her cargo, do now report

That we did repair on board the said
Brig and gave a thorough examination of the
stowage and found that the Cargo had been
well damaged and well stowed. Found
some bundles of Whalebone damaged but from
no fault or want of good stowage or for the
want of good and sufficient dunnage.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

Wm. Chubb Smith

Edmund Fensom
Borden Wood

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Then personally appeared the above
named Edmund Fensom and Borden Wood
and severally made oath or affirmation according
to law to the truth of the foregoing statement by
them subscribed.

Witness my
Hand & Seal
this 19th day of March 1852

In testimony whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my Seal
at said New Bedford the day & year above written.

Wm. Fayson Notary Public