

On the 3^d of January had light breezes - all hands employed in repairing sails and securing deck cover

On the 4th - light breezes and dead - steering for the Virginian Sound

On the 7th - came to anchor at Robinsons Hole -

On the 8th after noting a packet and calling a survey, got under way at 10 A M and proceeded to New Bedford where they arrived on the 9th of January 1854 at 8 1/2 o'clock P. M.

Whereupon the said appearance has declared to protest as by their presents they do solemnly protest against the winds waves storms, gales of wind, high seas and all the perils of navigation for all loss detriment or damage suffered or sustained by the said vessel or her cargo the same having occurred as is before stated and not through the insufficiency of said vessel or her tackle or through the inattention or neglect of these appearance or of any of the officers and crew who all on the contrary did their duties faithfully and to the best of their ability.

James Haskell. Captain
Mark H. Shell Mate
George W. Sellers Seaman

And therefore I the said Justice at the request of the said James Haskell master as aforesaid, have protested and by their presents do publicly and solemnly protest against all and every person whomsoever whom it doth or may concern for and account of all damages losses prejudices and detriments whatsoever which the said Brig Africari, her tackle, apparel men cargo or either of them, have already sustained or may hereafter sustain, and also against all costs charges and expenses

whatsoever which the owners or freighters thereof or any or either of them may be put to or sustain by reason of the aforesaid accidents or events or otherwise relating thereto.

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

Not. Sec.
Not. Sec. 1000
Amount 3.50
13.50 per

L. P.

Plus done and protested at the City of New Bedford the day and year above written.

Wm. Taylor Notary Public

United States of America
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Notary for the City of New Bedford

By this public instrument of protest and declaration be it known and made manifest unto all whom it doth or may concern that on the thirteenth day of January in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and fifty four before me William H. Taylor a Notary Public duly commissioned and sworn, residing in the City of New Bedford aforesaid personally appeared Edward Stephen master of the Brig Royal Southwick of Boston of the burthen of two hundred and seventy five tons or thereabouts and declared that he sailed in said Brig from the Port of Caracoe on the 14th day of December 1853 having on board a cargo of Salt for Boston and having experienced heavy and tempestuous weather on the passage, and in consequence of thick and foggy weather on the twelfth instant accompanied by unusually strong