

which, on the 17th or thereabouts was called, which
promised it impracticable to get her
afloat at this season of the year, and
her hull was accordingly abandoned

Wherefore the said appraisers have
declared to protest as by their presents they
do solemnly protest against the winds, waves,
storms, currents, fogs, high seas, rocks,
reefs and all other the perils of navigation
for all loss, detriment or damage, or expense
or outlay by the said vessel or her cargo
the same having occurred as is before
stated and not through the misadventure
of said vessel or her tackle or through the
inattention or neglect of these appraisers
or of any of the officers or crew who all on
the contrary did their duty faithfully and
to the best of their ability

Edward Stephens Captain
Charles H. Hart Mate
Richard ^{his} Lynde Seaman

And therefore I the said Appraiser
at the request of the said Edward Stephens
have protested and by these presents do publicly
and plainly protest against all and every
person whomsoever, whom it doth or may
concern for and on account of all damages,
losses, prejudices and detriments whatsoever
which the said Ship Royal Brethwick
her tackle, apparel and 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 held 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 Appraiser and therefore I have
herewith subscribed my name and affixed
my Seal Notarial, having been requested
to testify and certify the premises
Thus done and witnessed at
the City of New Bedford the day
and year abovewritten

Notary Public
14.00

J. S.

Wm. Taylor Notary Public

United States of America
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Notary Public City of New Bedford

On this seventh day of February in the
year of our Lord One thousand eight
hundred and fifty first before me William
H. Taylor a Notary Public duly commissioned
and sworn residing in the city of New
Bedford aforesaid personally appeared
Robert T. Wygate master of the Ship Java
of Fairhaven and states that he sailed on
said Ship from the Port of Fairhaven
on the 10th day of December last past bound
on a whaling voyage and encountering
heavy gales and tempestuous weather, and
springing a leak was compelled on the 29th day
of the same month to bear up for a port
where repairs could be made and on
the 20th day of January arrived at the Port of
New Bedford from whence she sailed on the
2nd of February instant and arrived at this
Port the day following being the 9th of February
and now in view of the loss and damage
sustained by said vessel desires to make his
protest against the winds, waves, storms,
currents and all other causes whereby the said
vessel hath suffered or sustained loss or damage
with liberty to release her from all claims
All which is recited by me the said Notary Public

14.00