

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
District of New Bedford
October 6, 1854

Personally appeared H. B. Gardner master of the Brigantine Perseus of New Bedford and on oath declared that said Perseus is wholly owned by citizens of the United States

Secy \$1.00

Wm. H. Taylor Notary Public

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
District of New Bedford
October 9, 1854

Personally appeared W. F. Jones master of the Ship Sheethurst of New Bedford and on oath declared that said Ship is wholly owned by citizens of the United States

Secy \$1.00

Wm. H. Taylor Notary Public

United States of America
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
District of New Bedford
October 9, 1854

To Messrs Daniel Wood master mariner
James Moors riggers
Greeting

On the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby authorized and required to proceed on board the Schooner Sampsonites of New Bedford whereof Lorenzo Moore is master, now lying in the Port of New Bedford, having recently arrived at this Port in distress in consequence of loss of her keel while on her passage from Calais for New York and a strict and thorough examination and survey to make of her keel, tackle and apparel and to this end you are authorized and requested 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 a full report

of your doings in the premises.

And all persons having the charge or control of said Schooner be and are hereby required to render to the above named Commissioners all necessary facilities in the execution of this warrant.

E. L. P.

Given under my hand and seal Notarial this day and year above written

Wm. H. Taylor Notary Public

By virtue of a warrant of service dated this 9th day of October 1854 issued by William R. Taylor a Notary Public and to and directed the undersigned this day went along side and on board the Schooner Sampsonites and found the Foremast, Fore yard, Topmast yard and Topgallant yard for topmast for topgallant mast and main topmast all gone. All the rigging forward, main topmast stay, main topmast backstays and topgallant stay, cut and damage requiring repair. Spruce rail, Topmast, Topgallant stay and fore and main topmast stayrails gone or so much destroyed as to be worthless, and the Middle stayrail split and chafed so badly as to require replacing with new. They therefore recommended that the foregoing stow rigging and rails be replaced with new and the materials to be sold for account of whom it may concern

Daniel Wood
James Moors

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Then personally appeared the aforesaid Daniel Wood and James Moors, and on oath declared that the foregoing report by them subscribed is just and true according to the best of their present knowledge and belief.

E. L. P.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and year above written

Wm. H. Taylor