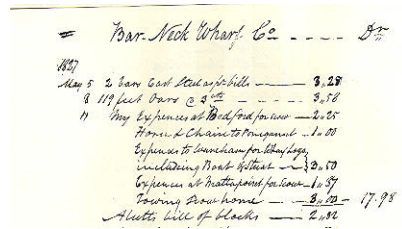


Logbooks and Maritime Records Held at the Falmouth Historical Society



Addison (ship)

Hailing Port: New Bedford, MA

1845-1848

Master: Thomas West

Microfilm 371, title 2 entry 112

Bound with log of **Ship Massachusetts**

Addison (ship)

Hailing Port: New Bedford, MA

1848-1852

Master: Thomas H. Lawrence

Microfilm 386, title 5

Alto (bark)

Hailing Port: New Bedford, MA

Depart: 1857 Return: 1862

Journal only.

Also kept on microfilm at the Falmouth Public Library

American (ship)

Log Book by Captain Henry Gifford

Depart: Nov. 27, 1841 return: July 12, 1845

1 vol., pagination 1-186 (few pages cut)

Microfilm 383, title 4

Microfilm kept at the Falmouth Public Library

Awashonks (ship)

Built in Falmouth, Hailing Port: Falmouth, MA

Depart: 1833 Return: 1836

Master: Obed Swain.

The Awashonks sailed on Dec. 28, 1833, under Captain Obed Swain and returned after 3 weeks with 2,000 barrels of sperm whale.

Awashonks (ship)**Built in Falmouth, Hailing Port: Falmouth, MA**

Depart: Dec 28, 1833 Return: 1836

Master: Prince Coffin

Microfilm 392, title 7

The Awashonks sailed again under Captain Prince Coffin to the Pacific, where he with his first and second mate and four men were killed in October, 1835 by the Natives of Namarik. More than 30 natives came on board the ship to trade but then attacked the crew. At least nine crew members were killed including Captain Prince Coffin. The vessel was brought home by the acting captain, Silas Jones.

Awashonks (ship)**Built in Falmouth, Hailing Port: Falmouth, MA**

Depart: 1836 Return: 1840

Master: Rufus Pease

From Falmouth to the Pacific Ocean

Microfilm 388, title 5

See also Lawrence Collection

Silas Jones Papers

1806-1896

Consists of papers relating to Silas Jones, Jr., ship's master and hero of the attack on the **Ship Awashonks**; bank president; town selectman, assessor, and moderator; and representative from Falmouth to the General Court..

Included are the certificates issued in 1840 by insurers of the **Awashonks** showing payment to him of a record for his bravery during the attack on the ship by natives from one of the Marshall Islands; a diary maintained by him with entries dating 1877-1887 that pertain to his relatives and to people and events in Falmouth, listing names and addresses of his correspondents and records of business transactions.

Also papers in the case brought by him against Silvanus Crocker for assault on his ward in 1811; his obituary; biographical data about him and his wife, Harriet Robinson (1817-1883) and other members of his family; and photographs of himself and his home.

Included also is a diary (Jan. 1, 1877-Feb. 26, 1887) kept by Silas Jones, III

Bazaar (boat)

2. Vols accounts for Boat Bazaar at Onset Bay for the Year 1884, 1885

Lists Schooner A.B. Hays, 1877

Caroline (ship)

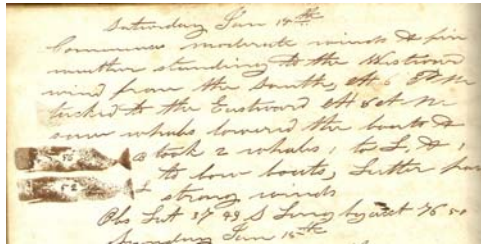
From Canton towards Boston

March 14, 1806-April 7, 1806

Master: Silas Jones, Sr.

6 pps, hand script, bound in same volume

Hannah and Sally (brig) of Philadelphia, mercantile voyage



Log book

Jan. 27, 1808-Aug 7, 1810

Master: Silas Jones

Title 9 microfilm

Catalpa (bark)

Logbook of bark Catalpa of New Bedford

Master: Solomon L. Hamlin

Whaling voyage to Galapagos Islands

1 v. 160 pages.

1867-1871

Contains list of letters written on voyage pg 158-159; Oil stored during voyage pg 160

Subsequent family history is entered on top of early record of voyage.

Catalpa (bark)

Logbook of bark Catalpa of New Bedford

Master: Obed Pierce, Captain

1867-1871

Microfilm 378, title 3

Commodore Morris (ship)

Built in Falmouth, Hailing Port: Falmouth, MA.

Lewis H. Lawrence, Master

1853-1858

Sperm whaling South Pacific

From "Woodsville to South Pacific Ocean.

Microfilm 389, title 6

Commodore Morris (ship)

Built in Falmouth, Hailing Port: Falmouth, MA.

Silas Jones, Jr. Master

1859-1864

Microfilm 385, title 5

Captain Silas Jones sailed the ship Commodore Morris on its fourth voyage July 13, 1859

For the Pacific and arrived home June 19, 1864 with 931 barrels sperm, 232 barrels whale oil and 1,700 pounds bone. The Commodore Morris was sold to New Bedford in 1864 marking the closing of the whale fishery in Falmouth.

Crew Lists copied from the collection National Archives, Waltham, Ma.
10 scanned pages, also CD of Papers relating to the **Commodore Morris 1841-1845, Capt. Charles Downs, Master.**
Also **Ship Commodore Morris, Captain Lewis Lawrence, Master, 1849.**
Crew List from the ***Brig Marcella, Silas Swift, Master, 1832***

Edward Cary (ship)

1849-1853

Master: Roland C. Phinney

Pacific Ocean

Microfilm 395, title 7

Edward B. Phinney Collection

Logbook of the **Bark Java**

Master Edward B. Phinney, Waquoit.

September 6, 1860-October 6, 1863

138 pgs with Appendix: List of Destinations, Ship Encounters, Barrels of Oil Stowed Down, and Slope Oil received from Java.

Also Transcription by James Womboldt

Elijah Swift Papers

Includes accounts **Elijah Swift Account Book 1834-1852** listing all ships and Returns with will and deposition of will..

Also **Bar Neck Wharf Account Records 1827-1846** with transcription by Raymond and Elizabeth Hayes.

Elijah E. Swift (1774-1852), founder of the whaling industry in Falmouth, with his brother **Thomas** (b.1783) and sons **Oliver C.** (b.1797) and **Thomas L.** (b.1810), other family members, and associates, supplied the U.S. Government with live oak timber, obtained from groves on the southern seaboard, for the construction of naval vessels. **E. Swift Live Oak U.S. Government Contracts 1816-1837** 1 microfilm reel. Directions for cutting frame of a schooner (no author), 1837), illustrated with drawings of sternpost and transom knees, and a chart of rough molding sizes of timber inscribed, "**Oliver C. Swift**" in another hand.

Eugenia (Bark)

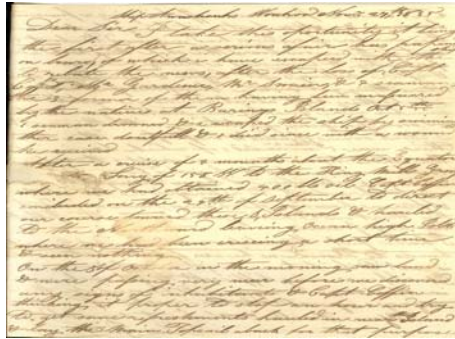
1859-1864

Master: Solomon L. Hamlin

Hailing Port: New Bedford

Pacific, Lost in the Arctic 1871

2 v. with "Sloop Accounts



Letter regarding the Awashonks

Falmouth Wharf Company Records

1915-1966

Includes act of incorporation, warrants for meetings, and minutes.

1 vol.

Fisher Family Collection

Consists of a deed (1838) of Stanton C. Fisher (master mariner); a deed (1846) of Philander Fisher (Nantucket); a biographical sketch and photograph of James H. Fisher (b. 1838 mariner) with a biographical sketch and summary of career on whaling vessels, portrait photograph; also biographical sketch of Watson H. Fisher (b. 1841, mariner).

Fleetwing (bark)

Ca. 1877- 1879

New Bedford to Arctic

Journal of **Captain John Heppingstone with Lady Aboard**

Henry Trowbridge (brig)

1879-1882

Master: Caleb A. Hamblin, West Falmouth, MA.

1 v. Atlantic

Microfilm 379, title 4

Manuscript: Marine Note of Protest, May 13, 1880

Consulate of the United States of America, Port of Montevideo.

Re: Incident involving damage to ship **Henry Trowbridge** of Stonington. 33 pgs. hand script.

Hobomok (ship)

1840-1844

Master: Captain Silas Jones

Built in Falmouth, Hailing Port: Falmouth, MA

Falmouth to Pacific Ocean.

Microfilm 368, 11, 13, 15, 45a, 46

This was the third voyage of the Hobomok starting May 29, 1840 for the Pacific, arriving home April 1848 with 1,000 barrels each of sperm and whale oil.

Jones Family Collection

1811-1880

Consists of Papers of the following members of the Jones Family:

Benjamin Franklin Jones (1825-1879), **George Washington Jones** (1857-1936), **Silas Jones** (1814-1896), **Roland Jones** (1816-1850).

Also papers of **Henry Gifford**, Superintendent of Oak Grove Cemetery and **L.C.**

Withington and Withington Family.

Ship Papers of the following vessels: **Ship Awashonks,**

Commodore Morris, George Washington. Hobomok, Syren, Camilla, Elliot C. Bowdin.

Photographs of George W. Jones and the Bates house are included as well as a letter from Samuel Bates. Documents of District School No. 3 from Clerk, Silas Jones.

Jones Genealogy, ephemera, photographs, deeds, clippings also included.

5 boxes. 1811-1880

Lady Amherst of London

(part of log) 1842

Captain unknown, 6 sheets

Remarks on board of the Ship Lady Amherst of London, Thursday, Feb. 24, 1842-March 19, 1842. hand script., Lat: 35.20 S, Long 80.55 w.

Lawrence Family Whaling Logs Collection

1849-1885

Whale Ship Commodore Morris

August 14, 1849-June 1853

Captain Lewis H. Lawrence, Falmouth, MA.

Hailing Port: Falmouth, MA.

Transcription by Jan Hull with special insert "**When We See Whales**"

Captain Lewis Lawrence returned after 4 years with 1,860 barrels sperm oil.

Awashonks (ship)

August 12, 1851-July 25, 1854

Captain Augustus Lawrence, Falmouth, MA.

Hailing Port: Falmouth, MA.

In 1851, Captain Lawrence sailed in the ship **Awashonks** for the North Pacific Ocean and arrived home July 25, 1854 with 513 barrels sperm and 1,828 barrels whale oil.

Mr. Jones, the first mate was killed by a whale in 1843.

Milton (ship)

Captain Sylvanus B. Potter, Master

1880-1884

Hailing Port: New Bedford

South Atlantic Ocean.

Sailed June 1885-July 1889

Ship Milton. New Bedford. **Capt. Potter, Master.**

Condemned ship in Panama, crew discharged July in Panama and shipped by steamer to New York and New Bedford.

Impressions of visit to Norfolk Island by Augustus Lawrence.

Hand script, loose, 9 pgs. Transcription 1 sheet (typescript) listing 3 voyages:

Bark John & Winthrop, New Bedford, Capt. Edward P. Shiverick, Master.

1876-1880. Position: boatsteerer. Other Falmouth seamen on voyage

include: William Ferguson, Charles Fish, and William B. Hamlin (lost overboard, off coast of Chili).

Lawrence Family Collection

1810-1860; 1918-1956

Includes court records (1810) in a case brought by **Thomas** (yeoman); deeds (1824, 1833) of **Shubel** to real estate in Falmouth;

Poems (1845-1852) of **Martha D.**; a journal (1855-1859) kept by

Hattie G.; military records (1918, 1941) of **Eugene Francis** and **Leroy F.**; entries from Starbuck's American Whale Fishing relating to:

Captains **Augustus, Lewis Henry, Samuel, and Thomas H.**; secret instructions for sighting whales on **Ship Addison**, **Samuel Lewis**, master, written in 1860 in the hand of his wife **Mary Chipman Lawrence**. Included also are photographs of **Barzilla S.**;

Eunice F. Davis, wife of **Lewis Henry**; **George S.**, son of **Joseph and Harriet**; **Harriet Tabor**; **Joseph** (b.1812); **Martha D.**, daughter of **Augustus and Sarah Olive** (b.1747)

oldest daughter of **Silas and Susanna**, and wife of **Joseph Robinson**; **Sarah P.**, wife of

Augustus; **Silas**; **William L.** and his wife. Also photographs of the home of Captain

Thomas H. and biographical sketches of **Amelia H.** (b.1847), his daughter, written in the Falmouth Enterprise on the occasions of her 95th and 99th birthdays.

See other collections for materials relating to John R., Maltiah, Shubel, Jr.,

Solomon, and William.

See also Genealogy Collection.

44 items, 1 vol.

Leonidas (ship)

1846-1849

Hailing Port: Fairhaven

Indian Ocean

Captain: John Nicholas Tatch

First Mate: Henry F. Gifford

See also **Henry F. Gifford's Journal**

Microfilm 369, 1

Marengo (ship)

1859-1861

Haling Port: New Bedford

Master: Frederick A. Weld

Indian Ocean

Microfilm 387, 5

Maritime Records

1766-1926

Consist of materials that relate to the following vessels: **Addison** (ship); **Awashonks** (ship); **Bazaar** (boat); **Betsey** (schooner); **Cape Horn Pigeon** (bark); **Commodore Morris** (ship); **Edward Cary** (ship); **Elizabeth** (schooner); **Eugenia** (bark); **Federal** (sloop); **Fleetwing** (bark); **George** (sloop); **Hobomok** (ship); **Jane P. Glover** (schooner); **Juno** (schooner); **Polly** (sloop); **Rhoda** (schooner); **Sally** (sloop); **Superior** (sloop); **Susanna** (sloop); **Union** (schooner); **Urania** (bark); and **William Penn** (ship).

Included are accounts and inventories; bills of lading and bills of sale of shares in vessels; agreements to charter and carry freight and passengers; auction announcements; court papers arising from suits against owners; depositions and protests of ships' masters and crew; custom papers; health certificates and identification papers of crew; insurance records; ships' registers and whalemens' papers. Included also are photographs, biographical data, journals, and reminiscences of ships' captains.

Entered are the names of the captains, the ships they commanded, whaling grounds they visited, and quantities of oil taken. Noted also are any special events that occurred.

Included also is a list (1926, compiler unknown) of Falmouth boys who went to sea and became ship masters. These papers deal primarily with vessels that were engaged in whale fishery.

The collection consists also of materials relating to **the bark Orion** which, commanded by Falmouth's **Captain Henry C. Bunker**, and carrying a number of Falmouth passengers, went to Boston to San Francisco in 1849. Included among the records of this vessel are passes and lists of passengers, correspondence with Robert W. Wienpahl, editor of "A Gold Rush Voyage on the Bark Orion (Clark, 1978); and clippings, facsimile of Ship Registry, Pocahontas, Built in Wareham, 1821

3 boxes 7 vols.

Massachusetts (ship)

1841-1845

Bound with Nantucket volume

Hailing Port: Nantucket

Master: Seth Nickerson

Pacific Ocean

Microfilm: 370, 1

Mary Ann (bark)

Master: Capt. Wm. Handy, Jr.

Hailing Port: New Bedford

Atlantic, 1835

Henry F. Gifford, boat steerer

Nimrod (ship)

Hailing Port: New Bedford

1845-1846

Master: Wanton H. Sherman

Indian Ocean

Microfilm 380, 4

Nimrod (ship)

Hailing Port: New Bedford

1854-1857

Master: Nehemiah P. Baker

North Pacific

Microfilm 390 #6

Peter Lewis Account Book, 1839

An account book of Peter Lewis from 1839. Lewis, brother of Charles Lewis, was engaged in selling supplies to whale ships and merchants in the early 19th century.

Many references of selling cord wood (both pine and oak) to many ships. Some of the names referenced in the book are **Bearses, Chace, Cahoon, Eldridge, Benson, Phinney, Davis, Lewis, Fisher, Weeks** and many more.

Phocion (ship)

Hailing Port: New Bedford

1832-1835

Log and account of provisions of ship Phocion

Master: Columbus Pease

Captain: Charles Coggshall in 1834

New Bedford to Bremen (Indian Ocean)

Microfilm 382-382A, no. 4

Polly (sloop)

Agreement between Samuel Lewis (master of Sloop Polly and William Rhodes to charter one-half sloop

Nov. 2, 1795.

Rhoda (schooner)

Account of Peter Price (master of Schooner Rhoda)

with owner of Schooner, 1809

Roscoe II (bark)

1844-1846

Hailing Port: New Bedford

Master: Capt. Warren N. Bourne

Indian Ocean

Microfilm: 375, title 3

Samar (ship)

1876-1877

Master: Silas Jones, Jr. (III)

Adelaide to Batavia to Boston

Title 9

Sarah Herrick (brig)

Slop & Provisions accounts of Sarah Herrick of Falmouth

1820-1822

Hailing Port: Falmouth

Master: Capt. Moses Chase

Contains instructions to Capt. Chase from **Elijah Swift** to proceed on a whaling voyage to Coast of Virginia and Cape Verde Islands. Slop & provisions expenses recorded

Stephania (ship)

1847-1850

Hailing Port: New Bedford

Master: Warren N. Bourne

Indian Ocean

Susan (ship)

1837

Hailing Port: Nantucket

2 reels Microfilm: New Bedford Whaling Museum

Urania (bark)

1860-1861

Master: A.M. Shiverick, C.J. & F. Coghill, owners

Listing cargo receipts from New York to Port Elizabeth, Cape of Good Hope.

1 vol.

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William Penn (ship)

Hailing Port: Falmouth

Built at West Falmouth in 1832 by the Friends at Hog Island harbor in West Falmouth,
Lost Nov. 26. 1847 on Island Whytootacke. Owner: **Stephen Dillingham. Obed
Goodspeed**, Agent

Accounts Books William Penn: 1833-1841
with Index. 4 vols

William Penn (ship)
Hailing Port: Falmouth
1833 – 1836

Captain John C. Lincoln, Peleg Swain, 1st Officer, Joshua Eldridge.

Papers of ship **William Penn ca. 1833-1845**

Abstract of 1st voyage May 11, 1836

Receipts for money paid to the estate of **Noah Davis**, as his share as part owner
of the Ship William Penn, 1836-1841.

Letter from **Russell S. Bodfish** to **Obed Goodspeed**, Agent for ship Wm. Penn,
Nov. 11, 1838, 6 pps., hand script, xerox with transcription.

Accounts Ship William Penn, 1842-1844, 1 vol.

William Penn (ship)
1841-1845

Captain John C. Lincoln

“Log book kept by Edwin Hatch, First Officer on a whaling voyage from Falmouth
To the Pacific Ocean and back again to Falmouth with a crew of 20 seamen and 4
boststealers & 3 mates and the Commander total 30.”

William Penn (ship)
1841, 1845
Workmen's Account Book
1 vol.

William Penn (ship)
Protest of **Charles S. Jennings** reporting the wreck of the William Penn, 1848.
3 pps. hand script