

Discovering Your Salem Maritime Ancestors

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**“To the farthest
port of the rich
East”**

Pictured here is the official city seal of Salem. You might expect it to depict a witch or a Puritan, but if you look closely, there's a south sea islander, a sailing ship and a banner just below which translates “To the farthest port of the rich East.” The journeys of the seaman of the early half of the 19th century are an important part of Salem's heritage. Two of my ancestors played roles in this era of multi-year journeys on sailing ships with promises of incredible riches. I would like to take you along on my own journey as I sought to learn more about their fascinating lives. Perhaps you have a maritime ancestor from this era as well. I hope this presentation will give you some insights for your research.

My Seafaring Hartwell Ancestors

Joseph Warren Hartwell (1809-1849)

- 3rd great-grandfather
- b. Salem, d. California
- Sea Captain - Salem

Daniel Hartwell (~1780-1810)

- 4th great-grandfather
- b. Conway, MA, d. at sea
- Seaman - Salem

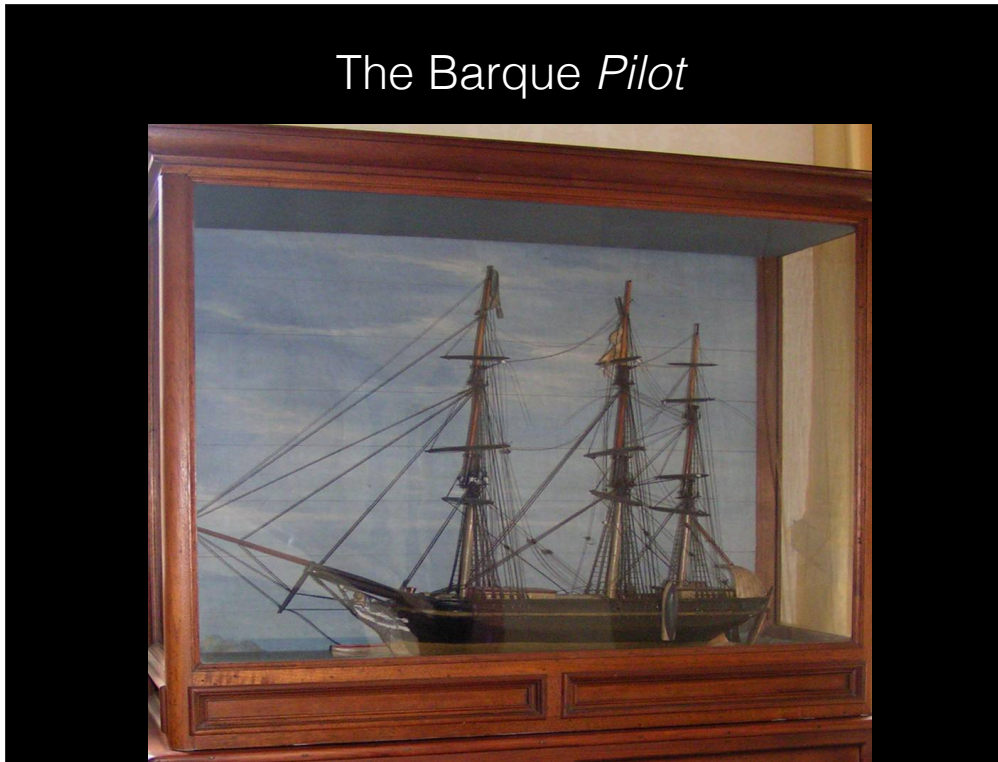
I'd like to introduce you to my Hartwell seafaring ancestors. My 3rd great-grandfather, Joseph Warren Hartwell, made over 25 trading voyages out of Salem and eventually became a captain on his last two. In 1849, he sailed as a passenger to California for the Gold Rush, and died of an illness after being there less than six months. Joseph's father Daniel, my 4th great-grandfather, was also from Salem, and was only 30 years old when he died at sea.

Family Heirloom



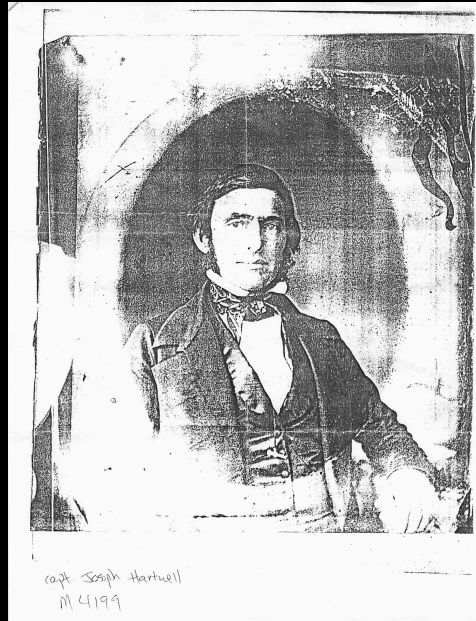
Family heirlooms - some families have Civil War swords, some have samplers - our family has a ship! In this photo taken around 1940, we see my grandmother, my father and my aunt on the couch in their home in southern New Hampshire. Behind them is a large scale model of a sailing ship. This further added to the maritime intrigue when I was a child listening to my father and his mother talking about “the Ship.”

The Barque *Pilot*



Here is what it looks like in the present day, sitting on a table in the hall in my brother's house in Texas. The ship model is of the barque (a square rigger with three or more masts) *Pilot*, captained by my 3rd great-grandfather Joseph Hartwell on a voyage from Salem to the South Pacific in the late 1840s. It was likely built by his brother or one of his sons, and then passed down through the generations of Hartwell males. The story goes that the model was launched in Salem Harbor shortly after it was built to be sure it would float. My goal is to eventually have some repairs made to the *Pilot* model and have it returned to Salem for preservation and public display.

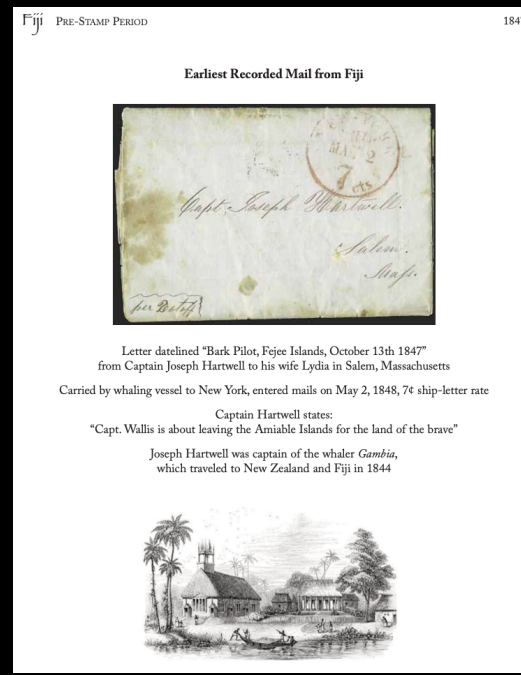
Captain Joseph Hartwell



This is a copy of a portrait of my 3rd great-grandfather, which my cousin gave me many years ago. She had found it in her research at the Peabody Essex Museum - it was taken from a daguerreotype in their collection of sea captain portraits. I have been wanting a better copy for years but they have not been able to re-locate the original.

Serendipity!

- 1847 letter from Capt. Hartwell to his wife in Salem
- In the Fijis, heading to Manila
- Harvesting sea cucumber
- Letter given to captain of another ship for delivery
- Sad he might be gone 5 years
- Messages to the boys and love to his wife



Sometimes you just get lucky. Back in 2015, when I really started to dive into genealogy, I had been trying various Google search combinations for Capt. Joseph and look what came up. This is from an online exhibit hosted by a philatelic dealer in New York that features an early piece of mail from the Fiji Islands. I had quite a shock when I read "letter datelined.." It's an important piece of postal history to collectors, but for me it meant a lot more. I contacted the dealer, who contacted the client who owned the piece - he didn't want to sell it, but graciously offered to send me photos of the letter inside, which I transcribed.

Maritime Records

- **Place** = Port of Salem, Essex County, Massachusetts
 - Ports of Beverly, Gloucester, Marblehead, Newburyport
- **Timeframe** = late 1790s, early to mid 1800s
 - Salem - 6th largest U.S. city, first in wealth per capita
- **Record Locations** = Online and Archives
 - Low hanging fruit

OK, enough serendipity, let's get to work and talk about maritime records, which is what I used to discover more about my maritime ancestors. Genealogists are always looking at records, but there are millions of these and it's important to figure out which ones will help. The important parameters are place and time. So in this case, I am focusing on the port of Salem and the surrounding area, Essex County, Mass. The time period here is 1700s through the mid 1800s, when Salem was in its prime, actually becoming the 6th largest city in the US and the first in wealth per capita as a result of a flourishing trade with the far east. Fortunately, many of the maritime records of this time can be found online, but as with most types of genealogical records, we can't ignore the physical archives, where treasures await. I did prepare a handout that lists the many of the sources of the maritime records that were useful.

Daniel Hartwell

My 4th Great-Grandfather

DANIEL HARTWELL of ESSEX COUNTY, MASS.

This fairly large family has, as yet, not been accounted for. Essex County and Salem records have been searched in vain for some clue to its origin. The prevalence of names like Daniel, Joseph, Elizabeth, might seem to indicate a forgotten offshoot of the Concord Family, but it might be that DANIEL or one of his immediate forbears was an immigrant from England during the eighteenth century.

1 DANIEL-1, reported b in New Boston, Mass., and probably not before 1775, sea captain, d when children were young, sometime before 1824, m Jan. 1, 1807 MARTHA CREE of Vermont, b 1783, d. July 30, 1861; she m 2d hus Jan 25., 1824, JACOB, son of JOSHUA and SARAH (BALL) TOWNE, b. Dec. 15, 1750, d Apr. 30, 1835.

Issue, HARTWELL

2 DANIEL, b July 8, 1807.

3 JOSEPH WARREN, b Mar. 10, 1809.

Hartwell, John F., *The Hartwells of America, A Genealogy of all the Hartwell Families of the United States and Canada based largely on the Handbook of Hartwell Genealogy (1887) by Lyman Willard Densmore*, (Little Rock, Hartwell-Lorenzen Inc., 1956), Part One, 137.

My introduction to Daniel came when my grandmother gave me her copy of the 1956 Hartwell genealogy at a young age. This is his entry, and there was a lot of uncertainty then about his heritage. But it did say he was a sea captain, so many years later when I finally started researching my genealogy in earnest, his story was high on the list. Maritime records were vital in my quest to learn more about him for my family tree.

Daniel Hartwell - vital records

- Married 1807 in Topsfield to Martha Cree
- Two children born in Topsfield: Daniel (1807), Joseph (1809)
- Essex County probate Sep 1810, **seaman**, no will

Some vital records for Daniel were fairly straightforward to find using my subscription to Ancestry.com. Daniel's 1807 marriage to Martha Cree was recorded in Topsfield, which was then part of Salem. Shortly thereafter two children were born there, including my 3rd great-grandfather Joseph, the sea captain. I also found Daniel's probate record of September 1810, which declared he was a seaman. But I could find no birth record anywhere for him.

How to think about Maritime Records?

1. Your Ancestor's Occupational Record

- Employed for a ship voyage
- Rank (cook to captain)

2. Ship Voyage Records

- Name & Type
- Captain & Owners
- Port & Date

**Find the Seaman,
Follow the Ship**

Let's take a step back and think about maritime records. What are they? Simply a record of ancestor's occupation - he was paid to serve aboard a ship. So we will want to look for documentation of that service. Then there is the ship itself - you can learn a lot more context by learning about the ship (type), the name of the captain, one or more owners of the ship and when and where the ship sailed. So, our strategy will be to Find the Seaman, Follow the Ship

Types of Essex County Maritime Records

1. Seaman
 1. Crew lists
 2. Seamen's Protection certificates
2. Ship
 1. Newspapers: Maritime News
 2. Customs documents
 3. Merchant correspondence

With that preamble, let's take a look at the types of maritime records we'll be focusing on. I'll take a dive into these five and provide examples pertaining to Daniel Hartwell.

Salem Maritime Record Locations

Online

- FamilySearch & Ancestry
- Mystic Seaport: Collections Research Center
- Newspaper collections

Repositories

- NARA in Waltham, MA
- Phillips Library (PEM) in Rowley, MA

We'll also learn where to find these maritime records, using online searches from ... and visits to two outstanding local repositories ...

Crew Lists

- Occupational records - List of Crew hired for a voyage
 - Master, Mate, Seaman, Cook, Cabin Boy, etc.
- Required starting in 1803
- Different than Passenger List, for paying passengers
- Find on FamilySearch, Ancestry, Mystic Seaport

Crew Lists, or a list of crew hired for a sailing voyage, are the most abundant type of maritime record. Crew lists from ships sailing from Essex County ports are fortunately readily available online. If you want to see if and when your ancestor went to sea, this should be your first stop. Note the distinction between a Crew List, showing crew hired for a voyage, and a Passenger List, showing passengers paying for a voyage. Crew Lists can be found online at three locations: FamilySearch, Ancestry (requires subscription) and Mystic Seaport Collections. Each is worth consulting, as we will see in the upcoming slides.

Crew List

LIST of Officers and Seamen on board the *Ship Mount Vernon* of Salem
Two hundred fifty four 1/2 tons, *Samuel Endicott* master, now lying in the port of Salem
 for Europe

burthen
and bound

| NAMES OF SEAMEN. | STATION. | PLACES OF BIRTH. | PLACES OF RESIDENCE. | Complexion. | Age. | HEIGHT. | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------|----------|--------------|
| | | | | | | Feet. | Inches. |
| <i>Richard Pearl</i> | <i>First Mate</i> | <i>Norfolkhead</i> | <i>Danvers</i> | <i>Dark</i> | <i>29</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>6 1/2</i> |
| <i>Jacob Lee</i> | <i>Second Mate</i> | <i>Manchester</i> | <i>Salem</i> | <i>Light</i> | <i>28</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>5 3/4</i> |
| <i>Nathaniel Perry</i> | <i>Seaman</i> | <i>Dorchester</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Dark</i> | <i>20</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>9 1/2</i> |
| <i>Eben^r Peerce</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Salem</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Light</i> | <i>22</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>10</i> |
| <i>William Howard</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>New York</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>22</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>9</i> |
| <i>Nathaniel Green</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Beverly</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>20</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>6 3/4</i> |
| <i>Nathaniel Cloutman</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Salem</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>22</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>8 1/2</i> |
| <i>Aaron Endicott</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Danvers</i> | <i>Danvers</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>23</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>9 3/4</i> |
| <i>Joseph Collins</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Salem</i> | <i>Salem</i> | <i>Dark</i> | <i>23</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>11</i> |
| <i>James Fogerty</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Salem</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Light</i> | <i>17</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>8 1/4</i> |
| <i>Stephen Wilkins</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>Middleton</i> | <i>Middleton</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>16</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>5 1/2</i> |
| <i>Samuel McIntire</i> | <i>Cook</i> | <i>Salem</i> | <i>Danvers</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>19</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>0 1/2</i> |
| <i>William Telt</i> | <i>Cabin Boy</i> | <i>Salem</i> | <i>Salem</i> | <i>Do.</i> | <i>16</i> | <i>5</i> | <i>2 1/4</i> |

NARA Boston website

I love Crew Lists! This gorgeous example, featured on the NARA Boston website, shows the crew of the Ship Mount Vernon, sailing from Salem to Europe in 1803. These are very detailed. For each crew member, there is a name, job or station, birthplace, residence, complexion, age and height - this is fabulous!

FamilySearch: Crew List Record Set

Research Wiki: Massachusetts, Online, Immigration

“Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934”

The screenshot shows the FamilySearch Research Wiki interface. At the top, the title "FamilySearch: Crew List Record Set" is displayed. Below it, the text "Research Wiki: Massachusetts, Online, Immigration" and the record set title "“Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934”" are shown. The main content area is titled "Massachusetts Online Genealogy Records" and includes a section for "Massachusetts Statewide Online Genealogy Records". A table of links to statewide collections is present, with a note that subscription websites can be searched for free at a family history center or FamilySearch affiliate library. Below this, a section titled "Immigration Records" lists several record sets. A purple star is placed next to the record set "1797-1934: Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles" at FamilySearch; index & images; Also at Ancestry (\$).

Massachusetts Online Genealogy Records

United States → Massachusetts → Online Genealogy Records

Massachusetts Statewide Online Genealogy Records

This table shows links to statewide collections. To find links to collections on the county level, use the **county Wiki pages**. Some subscription websites listed below can be searched for free at a family history center or FamilySearch affiliate library.

For United States nationwide collections, go to the **United States Online Genealogy Records** page.

Immigration Records

- See *US Immigration Online Genealogy Records*
- **1620-1640**: *The Planters of the Commonwealth in Massachusetts* at Ancestry; images only (\$)
- **1630**: *The Winthrop Fleet* at Ancestry; images only (\$)
- **1700-1775**: *Immigrants to New England* at FamilySearch; eBook
- **1797-1934**: *Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles* at FamilySearch; index & images; Also at Ancestry (\$)
- **1811-1921**: *Massachusetts, Boston Crew Lists* at FamilySearch; index & images; Also at Ancestry (\$)
- **1820-1891**: *Massachusetts, Boston Passenger Lists* at FamilySearch; index & images; Also at MyHeritage (\$)

To find the Crew List record set for Essex County in FamilySearch, go to the Research Wiki, search for Online records, and under Immigration, you’ll see 1797-1934: Massachusetts: Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles”

FamilySearch: Search Form

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Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934

This collection contains three NARA collections: Crew Lists and Returns of Seamen for the Port of Salem and Beverly, compiled 1797-1818 (ARC 1600758), Shipping Articles for the Port of Salem and Beverly, compiled 1810 - 1899 (ARC 1600870) and Crew Lists for the Port of Salem and Beverly, 1797 - 1934 (ARC 1600759). The collections were filmed at the NARA Regional Facility in Waltham, Massachusetts. The records are arranged chronologically for the most part.

HOW TO USE THIS COLLECTIONBROWSE ALL 33,017 IMAGES



Cite This Collection

"Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934." Database with images. FamilySearch.

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COPY CITATION

First NamesLast Names

DanielHartwell

PlaceYear

City, County, State, Province, or CountryBirth or Death Year

Q SEARCHMORE OPTIONS

The Search form is fairly straightforward, and I usually start with just the first and last name. Let's look for Daniel Hartwell and see what's out there.

FamilySearch: Search Results

Filter Results (3)

Collection: Migration & Naturalization, Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles

Collection Sex Race Birth Other

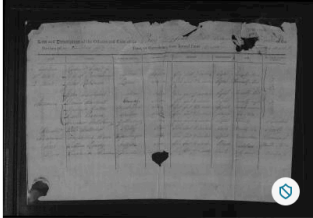
| Name | Events | Relationships |
|---|--|---------------|
| Daniel Hartwell Principal Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934 | Immigration Massachusetts, United States | |
| Daniel Hartwell Principal Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934 | Birth Conway Immigration Massachusetts, United States | |
| D Hartwell Principal Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934 | Immigration 1805 Massachusetts, United States | |

Record Information

Daniel Hartwell
Migration • Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934

[VIEW RECORD](#)

Name **Daniel Hartwell**
Age **28**
Immigration Place **Massachusetts, United States**
Ship Name **Louisa Rich**



[VIEW ORIGINAL DOCUMENT](#)

We see three results and it looks like they are all potentially relevant. Clicking on the 2nd result yields this metadata page. There is Daniel Hartwell with an Age of 28 and a ship name of the *Louisa Rich* in the metadata. But let's look at a scan of the original..

Crew List image on FamilySearch

List and Description of the Officers and Crew of the Brig *Louisa*, Richard Ward, Captain, of the Burthen of one hundred fifty six Tons, or thereabouts now bound from Salem to a market.

| RANK | NAME | PLACE OF BIRTH | COMPLEXION | HEIGHT | COMPLEXION | AGE | TO WHAT SERVICE SUBJECT |
|----------|-------------------|----------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Captain | Richard Ward, Jr. | Salem | White | Five feet 7 inches | Light | Twenty-two | |
| 1st Mate | Robert Brundage | Lynn | White | Five feet 6 inches | Light | Twenty-two | |
| 2nd Mate | John Robinson | Salem | White | Five feet 7 inches | Light | Twenty-two | |
| | John Whitehead | Conway | White | Five feet 8 inches | Light | Twenty-eight | |
| Seaman | Daniel Whitehead | Conway | White | Five feet 8 inches | Light | Twenty-eight | |
| | James Eaton | Conway | White | Five feet 8 inches | Light | Twenty-eight | |
| | David Brown | Salem | White | Five feet 8 inches | Light | Twenty-eight | |
| | Thomas Whitehead | Conway | White | Five feet 8 inches | Light | Twenty-eight | |
| Seaman | John Whitehead | Conway | White | Five feet 8 inches | Light | Twenty-eight | |
| Crew | William Ready | Suffolk | White | Five feet 8 inches | Light | Twenty-eight | |
| | Charles Whitehead | Conway | White | Five feet 8 inches | Light | Twenty-eight | |

“Officers and Crew of the Brig *Louisa*, Richard Ward, bound from Salem”

We can make out most of Daniel's entry on this faded image, but some unfortunate creases and holes cause some difficulty. It's a bit hard to read the top, but I make out “Officers and Crew of the Brig *Louisa*, Richard Ward” and on the next line “bound from Salem” then something then “market.” Glad we looked at the image! *Louisa* is the ship name and Richard Ward the captain. Daniel is listed as a Seaman born in Conway, living in Salem, 5 ft 8 inches light complexion age 28 and a subject of the United States. Now if there was only a date for this crew list, I could verify the year of Daniel's birth.

Ancestry: Crew List Record Set

Card Catalog, Title = “crew lists”

“Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934”

The screenshot shows the Ancestry Card Catalog interface. On the left, the search bar has 'crew lists' entered in the Title field. Below the search bar are filters for location and dates. The main results area shows a list of record sets. The record set 'Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934' is highlighted with a purple star. The record set has 215,124 records and is categorized under Immigration & Emigration.

| Title | Category | Records |
|---|--------------------------|---------|
| Aberystwyth, Wales, Indexes to Crew Lists, 1850-1914 | Birth, Marriage & Death | 101,383 |
| Ireland, Crew Lists and Shipping Agreements, 1863-1920 | Immigration & Emigration | 861,868 |
| Massachusetts, U.S., Boston, Crew Lists, 1811-1921 | Immigration & Emigration | 335,821 |
| ★ Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934 | Immigration & Emigration | 215,124 |
| Tasmania, Passenger and Crew Lists, 1834-1837, 1841-1887 | Immigration & Emigration | 42,723 |
| Minnesota, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists of Airplanes, 1957-1962 | Immigration & Emigration | 1,073 |
| North Carolina, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists, 1958-1963 | Immigration & Emigration | 5,845 |
| New Jersey, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists of | Immigration & Emigration | 559,401 |

It pays to keep digging. Let's turn to a Crew List search on Ancestry.com. Here we use the Card Catalog and search for “crew lists” in the Title to find the record set. Notice the same record set name as FamilySearch, and the impressive number of records: over 215,000.

Ancestry: Search Form

Search > Immigration & Travel

Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934

Search ☐ Match all terms exactly

First & Middle Name(s)
Daniel

Last Name
Hartwell

☐ Exact... ☐ Exact...

Year
Birth

Location
City, County, State, Country

Arrival

Any Event

Keyword

e.g. pilot or "Flying Tigers" ▾

Ship

FHL Film Number

Search Clear search

Browse this collection

To browse this image set, select from the options below.

Record Type
Choose... ▾

Year Range

Related data collections

[Massachusetts, U.S., Arriving Passenger and Crew Lists, 1949-1957](#)
If your ancestors' travels took them through Massachusetts, check this collection of manifests from ships and planes arriving between 1949 and 1957.

[Massachusetts, U.S., State and Federal Naturalization Records, 1798-1950](#)
This database consists of naturalization records for Massachusetts from U.S. District Courts, as well as from the Immigration and Naturalization Service. The INS records are copies of the originals, compiled from various federal, state, and local courts by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) during World War II.

[Massachusetts, U.S., Death Records](#)

Source Information

Ancestry.com. Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934 (database on-line). Lehi, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2019.
Original data: Massachusetts, Salem and Beverly Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934. Salt Lake City, UT, USA: FamilySearch, 2016. Selected Passenger and Crew Lists and Manifests. National Archives at Boston.

In this case, I'll insert Daniel Hartwell again and...

Ancestry: Search Results

All Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934 results for Daniel Hartwell

Your search

Broad ☐ Exact ☒

Daniel Hartwell

Apply

▼ All Categories

- > Immigration & Travel
- > Passenger Lists

Results 1-3 of 3

| View Record | Name | Birth Date | Arrival Date | Ship | View Images |
|--|-----------------|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| To get better results, add more information such as Birth Info , Death Info or Location —even a guess will help. Edit your search or learn more . | | | | | |
| View Record | Daniel Hartwell | | | Louisa | |
| View Record | Daniel Hartwell | | | Louisa Rich | |
| View Record | D Hartwell | | 1805 | Rachel | |

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Per page

Daniel Hartwell
in the Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934

Detail Source

Name: Daniel Hartwell

Age: 28

Arrival Place: Massachusetts, USA

Ship: Louisa

FHL Film Number: 100728481

[Save](#)

Make a Connection

[Find others](#) who are researching Daniel Hartwell in Public Member Trees.

One key difference, in that the Ship is listed in the results. I will click on the first result, and get the image and...

Crew List image on Ancestry

Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934 for Daniel Hartwell

Crew Lists 1809-1810

Save

Daniel Hartwell

Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934

Detail Related Source

Name Daniel Hartwell

Age 28

Arrival Place Massachusetts, USA

Ship Louisa

PHL Film Number 100728481

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“bound for Tangiers & markets”

This list is easier to read, and it looks very similar to the one on FamilySearch - I believe it to be a copy of the same record. We learn some additional info at the top that the *Louisa* was bound for “Tangiers & markets.” - I could infer that this is ports in the Mediterranean.

Ancestry: One More Search Result

All Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934 results for Daniel Hartwell

Your search  

Broad  Exact

Daniel
Hartwell

Apply

▼ All Categories


> Immigration & Travel




> Passenger Lists

Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S.,
Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934

Results 1-3 of 3

[View Record](#) [Name](#) [Birth Date](#) [Arrival Date](#) [Ship](#) [View Images](#)

 To get better results, add more information such as **Birth Info**, **Death Info** or **Location**—even a guess will help. [Edit your search](#) or [learn more](#).

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--|------|-------------|---|
| View Record | Daniel Hartwell | | | Louisa |  |
| View Record | Daniel Hartwell | | | Louisa Rich |  |
| View Record | D Hartwell | | 1805 | Rachel |  |

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How about that 3rd result, where only D Hartwell is given as the name, but it looks like another voyage because *Rachel* is the ship name. An arrival date is given as 1805, likely when the voyage ended. What kind of record are we getting here?

[illegible]

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Return of Seamen

Salem and Beverly, Massachusetts, U.S., Crew Lists and Shipping Articles, 1797-1934 for D Hartwell

Consignee's Certificates, Crew Lists, Returns of Seamen > 1797-1806

District of Salem and Beverly.

RETURN of SEAMEN on board the *Ship* called the

Rachel, Calvin Bunker

Master: Shewing their names and the time for which they were respectively employed.

| Time of Entry. | Time of arrival or discharge. | NAMES of SEAMEN. | Time employed. | | Amount. | |
|----------------|-------------------------------|------------------|----------------|-------|----------|--------|
| | | | Months. | Days. | Dollars. | Cents. |
| 1802. Oct. 4. | 1805. Dec. 21. | J. Winn | 38 | 17 | 7 | 71 |
| " | " | C. Bunker | 38 | 17 | 7 | 71 |
| " | " | H. Hilton | 38 | 17 | 7 | 71 |
| " | " | P. Clark | 38 | 16 | 7 | 71 |
| Sep. 20 | July 10. 1803 | C. Fish | 9 | 20 | 1 | 94 |
| " 18 | Dec. 21. | C. Cummins | 39 | 3 | 7 | 82 |
| " | " | D. Hartwell | 39 | 3 | 7 | 82 |
| " | " | B. Cole | 39 | 3 | 7 | 82 |
| " 20 | Dec. 1. 1803. | A. White | 14 | 21 | 2 | 94 |

At the top, we see for the *Rachel* that the Captain was Calvin Bunker. A bit farther down we see D Hartwell, and that he signed on on Sep 18, 1802, was discharged Dec 21, 1805, was employed 39 months and 3 days, and was paid 7 dollars and 82 cents. This is for a voyage of over three years!

Mystic Seaport Museum

<http://mysticseaport.org>

The screenshot shows the website's navigation menu with a dark blue background and white text. A red 'X' icon is in the top right corner. The menu is organized into several columns:

- MYSTIC SEAPORT MUSEUM** (Logo)
- TICKETS**
- DONATE**
- MEMBER**
- HOURS**
Thursday - Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- DIRECTIONS**
View larger map

75 Greenmanville Ave
Mystic, CT 06255
860-572-0711
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 - Hours & Tickets
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 - Weddings & Events
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 - Get Out On The Water
- EXPLORE**
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 - Historic Vessels
 - Planetarium
 - For Kids & Families
 - Shipyards
 - Gardens
 - Get Out On The Water
- LEARN**
 - K-12 Programs
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 - Workshop & Classes
 - Overnight Programs
 - Summer Camps
 - Primary Resources
 - Virtual Programs
 - College & Graduate Programs
 - Professional Development
- RESEARCH**
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 - Library Services
 - Donate Materials
 - Read Coriolis
 - Discover Rosenfeld
 - Whaling History.org
- SUPPORT**
 - Annual Fund
 - The America & The Sea Award
 - Legacy Giving
 - Corporate Sponsors
 - Foundation Support
 - Vessel Donations
 - Ways to Give
 - Volunteer
- JOIN**
 - Become a Member
 - Renew
 - Corporate Members
 - Member Programs
- SHOP**
 - Gifts, Souvenirs, Books
 - Fine Art Prints
 - Rosenfeld Collection
 - Museum Books & Media
 - Ships Plans Store
 - Museum Store
 - Maritime Bookstore
- CONNECT**
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I wonder if any of you have visited the Mystic Seaport Museum in Mystic, CT. It's a wonderful place to spend some time learning about maritime history. You might not realize this, but they also have a Collections Research Center - let's take a look.

Mystic Seaport Collections Research Center



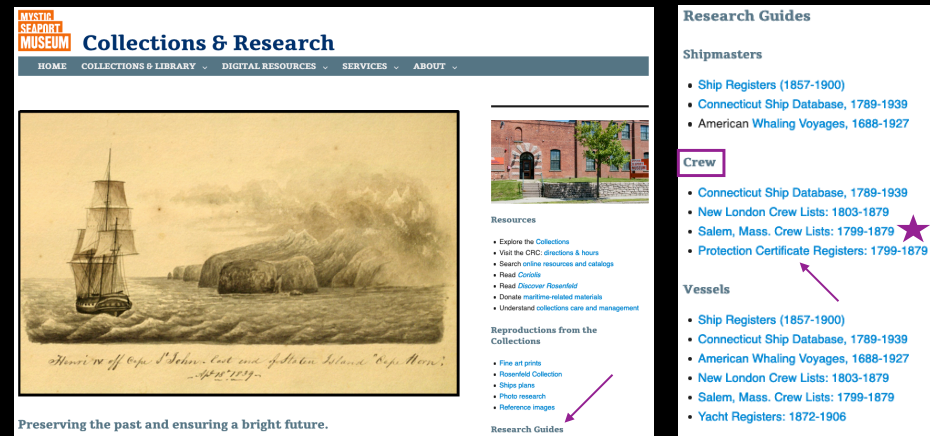
“Nation’s leading maritime research facility”

The CRC, or Collections Research Center, is across the street from Mystic Seaport. They claim to be the “nation’s leading maritime research facility” and are open to the public via appointment. Did you know they have some excellent online resources available for free?

Mystic Seaport CRC Online

Menu: Research, Collections, Research Guides, Crew

“Salem Crew Lists, 1799-1879”



Let's look at their Research Guides, which you access under Collections. The Salem Crew Lists that we saw earlier on FamilySearch and Ancestry are here. They are only in index form, but this index is particularly useful. We will also take a look at Protection Certificate Registers a bit later.

CRC Search Form

MYSTIC SEAPORT MUSEUM

Collections & Research

HOME

COLLECTIONS & LIBRARY

DIGITAL RESOURCES

SERVICES

ABOUT

Salem Crew Lists, 1799-1879

Search for a voyage using the search boxes at the bottom of each Voyages column. To view only the crew list for a single voyage, tap or click anywhere in its row in the Voyages table. Or, search for a crew member using the search boxes at the bottom of each Crew column. Click or tap on a crew member's name to display the corresponding Voyage.

Voyages

Showing 1 to 5 of 7,906 voyages

| Vessel | Rig | Destination | Departure | Tonnage |
|---------------|----------|--------------------------|------------|---------|
| A. B. Perry | Schooner | Shulee, Nova Scotia | 1887-05-28 | |
| A. B. Perry | Schooner | St. John, New Brunswick | 1890-06-23 | |
| A. Coombs | Bark | Turks Island | 1859-07-20 | |
| A. Dyer | Schooner | Lingan, Cape Breton | 1860-08-31 | |
| A. D. Emerson | Schooner | Millbrook, New Brunswick | 1880-08-11 | |

Crew

Showing 1 to 60 of 75,668 crew

| Last name | First | Middle | Position | Birthplace | Residence | Cou |
|-----------|--------|--------|----------|--------------|-----------|-----|
| Hathorne | Daniel | | Master | | | USA |
| Norton | George | | Mate | Salem | Salem | USA |
| Cooper | Joseph | H | Seaman | Philadelphia | Salem | USA |

Salem

Between 1799 and 1879 over 7900 voyages to foreign ports sailed from Salem, Massachusetts. Prior to sailing the shipmaster, or captain of each vessel was required to file a crew list containing information about the vessel's destination and its crew. This website provides an index to those crewlists. Containing over 75,770 names, it also provides access to crew members based upon age, complexion, birthplace and residence place

Crew Lists

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Here is the Search form for Crew lists. Notice that it looks a bit different, in that there are sections for both Voyages and Crew. There is some good information here on the right about these Crew lists in general.

Mystic Seaport: Search Results

Salem Crew Lists, 1799-1879

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| A. Coombs | Bark | Turks Island | 1859-07-20 | |
| A. Dyer | Schooner | Lingan, Cape Breton | 1860-08-31 | |
| A. D. Dyer | Schooner | Lingan, Cape Breton | 1860-08-31 | |

Crew

Showing 1 to 38 of 38 crew (filtered from 75,668 total)

Clear All Filters

| Last Name | First | Middle | Position | Birthplace | Residence | Country | Age | Complexion | Hair |
|-----------|---------|--------|----------|------------|-----------|---------|-----|------------|-------|
| Hartwell | Joseph | | | | Topsfield | Salem | | | |
| Hartwell | Amaziah | | | | Drucut | Salem | 44 | Black | Wool |
| Hartwell | Joseph | | | | Topsfield | Salem | 30 | Dark | Dark |
| Hartwell | Joseph | | | | Salem | Salem | | | |
| Hartwell | John | | | | | Salem | | | |
| Hartwell | Joseph | | | | | Salem | | | |
| Hartwell | Joseph | | Master | | Topsfield | Salem | | | |
| Hartwell | James | | Master | | | USA | | | |
| Hartwell | Joseph | W. | | | Salem | Salem | 18 | Light | Light |
| Hartwell | Joseph | W. | | | Salem | Salem | 20 | Light | Light |
| Hartwell | | | | | | | | | |

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So, I scroll to the bottom of the Crew section, entered Hartwell and whoa, there are a slew of records for my 3rd great-grandfather Joseph! In fact, once I filtered the first name for Joseph, there were 31 crew list records for him. I noted that they all indicated he was a resident of Salem, and included two where he was the Master, or captain. This was a great find!

Crew Lists: Daniel Hartwell

Salem Crew Lists, 1799-1879

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Voyages

Showing 1 to 5 of 7,906 voyages

| Vessel | Rig | Destination | Departure | Tonnage |
|--|---|---|---|---|
| A. B. Perry | Schooner | Shulee, Nova Scotia | 1887-05-28 | |
| A. B. Perry | Schooner | St. John, New Brunswick | 1890-06-23 | |
| A. Coombs | Bark | Turks Island | 1859-07-20 | |
| A. Dyer | Schooner | Lingan, Cape Breton | 1860-08-31 | |
| A. P. Emerson | Schooner | Hillsboro, New Brunswick | 1889-06-11 | |
| <input type="text" value="Search Vessel"/> | <input type="text" value="Search Rig"/> | <input type="text" value="Search Destination"/> | <input type="text" value="Search Departure"/> | <input type="text" value="Search Tonnage"/> |

Crew

★ Showing 0 to 0 of 0 vessels (filtered from 75,668 total)

[Clear All Filters](#)

| Last name | First | Middle | Position | Birthplace | Residence | Country | Age | Complexion | Hair |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| No matching records found | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="text" value="Hartwell"/> | <input type="text" value="Daniel"/> | <input type="text" value="Middle"/> | <input type="text" value="Position"/> | <input type="text" value="Birthplace"/> | <input type="text" value="Residence"/> | <input type="text" value="Country"/> | <input type="text" value="Age"/> | <input type="text" value="Complexion"/> | <input type="text" value="Hair"/> |

Salem Crew Lists

But wait, I chased a squirrel there - what about Daniel? Oops, nothing there - what's going on?

Mystic Seaport: Vessel Search

Voyages

Showing 1 to 5 of 16 voyages (filtered from 7,906 total) Clear All Filters

| Vessel | Rig | Destination | Departure | Tonnage |
|--------|------|---------------------|------------|---------|
| Louisa | Ship | Sumatra | 1807-02-20 | 156 |
| Louisa | Brig | Tangiers & a Market | 1809-05-01 | 156 |
| Louisa | Brig | Brazil | 1810-10-10 | 157 |
| Louisa | Brig | St. Petersburg | 1811-05-28 | 156 |
| Louisa | Brig | Africa | 1850-05-14 | |

Crew

Showing 1 to 12 of 12 crew (filtered from 75,668 total) Clear All Filters

| Last name | First | Middle | Position | Birthplace | Residence | Country | Age | Complexion |
|------------|---------|--------|-------------|------------|-----------|---------|-----|------------|
| Ward, Jr. | Richard | | Master | | | USA | | |
| Brookhouse | Robert | | First Mate | Salem | Salem | USA | 22 | Light |
| Robinson | John | | Second Mate | Lynn | Salem | USA | 22 | Light |
| Whitefoot | John | | Seaman | Salem | Salem | USA | 22 | Light |
| Hartswell | Daniel | | Seaman | Conway | Salem | USA | 28 | Light |
| Eaton | Andrew | | Seaman | Marblehead | Salem | USA | 27 | Light |

Let's try that Mystic Seaport search again, but instead, use the **Voyages** feature. Remember that Crew List search I did on Ancestry which showed that he was on the Brig *Louisa*? If I enter "**louisa**" in the Voyages section, it will show me all the Crew Lists from a vessel named *Louisa*. From the results, I then pick the only one that makes sense - Brig Louisa, departing in May 1809 from Salem to Tangiers. The crew list pops up from that selection. Let's take a closer look at those results. Sure enough, Daniel is there, but his surname is misspelled as "**Hartswell**." Another lesson - check for spelling! And now I have the date of the voyage - since it departed in 1809 and Daniel was 28, he was likely born in 1780-1781 timeframe in Conway, Massachusetts.

Crew Lists: Summary

- Find online at
 - FamilySearch
 - Ancestry
 - Mystic Seaport
- Check each source if you can
- Birthplace, Birth Year, Physical Description!

In summary, the record set is supposedly the same across all three sources, but the search experience and indexing are slightly different.

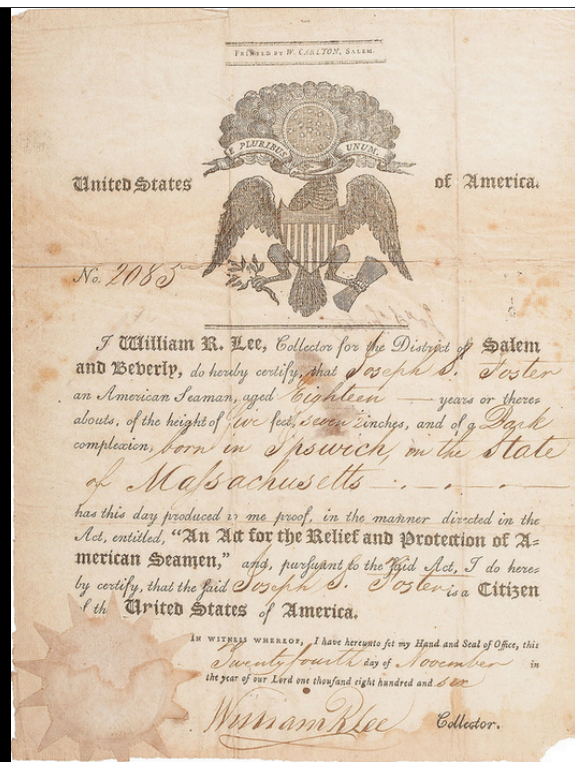
Seamen's Protection Certificates

- Issued to American seamen starting in 1796 - carried onboard
- Helped prevent being captured by British
- Provided physical description of sailor and declared his American citizenship - info similar to Crew List
- Actual certificates for Essex County (Salem) are spotty
- Records are in the SPC Registers: indexes on Ancestry and Mystic Seaport
- Find original Registers at NARA Waltham

Helped prevent seamen from being captured by the British, especially leading up to the War of 1812

Seaman's Protection Certificate

- From NARA website
- Sold at auction in 2017 for \$461!



These are rare: Example: Joseph Foster, age 18, b. Ipswich, issued at Salem/Beverly on Nov 24 1806, sold for \$461 at auction in 2017.

Ancestry: SPC Record Sets

Card Catalog

Searchable listing of all record collections

Title

Keyword(s)

Protection

Search

Filters

Clear All

> Directories & Member Lists

3

> Immigration & Emigration

5

> Military

2

> Newspapers & Periodicals

1

> Stories, Memories & Histories

1

> Filter By Location

> Canada

1

> Europe

1

> North America

8

> USA

7

> Filter by Dates

1600s

1700s

1800s

1900s

1600s

1700s

1800s

1900s

Results 1-9 of 9

Sort By Date Added

| Title | Category | Records |
|--|-------------------------------|------------|
| Berkshire, England, World War II Home Guard Records, 1943-1958 | Military | 563 |
| U.S., World War II Draft Registration Cards, 1942 | Military | 14,501,913 |
| U.S., Applications for Seaman's Protection Certificates, 1916-1940 | Immigration & Emigration | 320,331 |
| Web: US, New England Seamen's Protection Certificate Index, 1796-1871 | Directories & Member Lists | 29,384 |
| U.S., "Happy Days" Newspaper of the Civilian Conservation Corps, 1933-1940 | Newspapers & Periodicals | 5,799 |
| U.S., Citizenship Affidavits of US-born Seamen at Select Ports, 1792-1869 | Immigration & Emigration | 72,117 |
| Sketch of the old parish burying ground of Windsor, Nova Scotia: with an appeal for its protection, ornamentation and preservation | Stories, Memories & Histories | 61 |
| Register of Seamen's Protection Certificates from the Providence, Rhode Island Customs District, 1796-1870 | Directories & Member Lists | 315 |
| Indexes to Seamen's Protection Certificate Applications and Proofs of Citizenship | Immigration & Emigration | 174 |

To find relevant SPC record sets for Essex County on Ancestry, check the Card Catalog using Protection as a Keyword. We will look at the one I starred.

SPC Index: Search

Web: US, New England Seamen's Protection Certificate Index, 1796-1871

☐ Match all terms exactly

First & Middle Name(s)
Daniel
☐ Exact...

Last Name
Hartwell
☐ Exact...

Birth

Day
—

Month
—

Year
—

Location
City, County, State, Country

Any Event

▼

▼

—

City, County, State, Country

Keyword

e.g. pilot or "Flying Tigers"▼

Declaration Date

Day
▼

Month
▼

Year
—

Location
—

Declaration Port

—

—

—

City, County, State, Country


This Collection

This data is published by [Mystic Seaport](#).

You can often find additional information by visiting the source website, including references, publication information, comments, historical context, and even images.

Web Search


Ancestry Web Search makes it easy to find records from content publishers across the web. For more information on Ancestry Web Search, [click here](#).

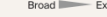


This is an index to the SPC registers. Note on the right that the data is from Mystic Seaport. We'll have to look at it over there as well. I put in search terms for Daniel Hartwell.

SPC Index: Search Result

All Web: US, New England Seamen's Protection Certificate Index, 1796-1871 results for Daniel Hartwell


Your search  **Results 1-1 of 1**

Broad  Exact

Daniel
Hartwell

Apply

▼ All Categories
> Schools, Directories & Church Histories ✕
> Professional & Organizational Directories ✕

 To get better results, add more information such as **Birth Info**, **Death Info** or **Location**—even a guess will help. [Edit your search](#) or [learn more](#).

| View Record | Name | Birth Year | Birthplace | Declaration Date | Declaration Port |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|
| View Record | Daniel Hartwell | abt 1780 | Conway, Massachusetts | 12 Oct 1802 | Salem |

1-1 of 1

Per page 50 ▼

There is one result, and that's likely the right Daniel. Note the date of Oct 1802. This is around the time the *Rachel* sailed on Daniel's first voyage. Note also the results of birth year and birth place - extremely useful.

Mystic Seaport: SPC Record Set

Menu: Research, Collections, Research Guides, Crew

“Protection Certificate Registers, 1799-1879”

The screenshot displays the Mystic Seaport Museum's website. The main header reads "Mystic Seaport MUSEUM" and "Collections & Research". A navigation bar includes links for HOME, COLLECTIONS & LIBRARY, DIGITAL RESOURCES, SERVICES, and ABOUT. The central content area features a large image of a ship at sea, with the caption "Preserving the past and ensuring a bright future." Below the image, there is a "Resources" section with links to explore collections, visit the CRC, search online resources, read guides, and donate materials. To the right, a "Research Guides" sidebar lists categories: Shipmasters, Crew, and Vessels. Under the "Crew" category, a list of links includes "Connecticut Ship Database, 1789-1939", "New London Crew Lists: 1803-1879", "Salem, Mass. Crew Lists: 1799-1879", and "Protection Certificate Registers: 1799-1879". A purple arrow points to the "Protection Certificate Registers" link.

Let's stay online and go over to the collections at Mystic Seaport. They have a record set Protection Certificate Registers under Crew, right below the Crew Lists that we saw earlier, that we will examine.

SPC Register: Search

Registers of Seamen's Protection Certificates

To search, use the search boxes below each column. To sort, click or tap on the column heading.

Showing 1 to 20 of 30,988

| Last | First name | Age | Birthplace | State | Customs district | Certificate | Date |
|-------------|-------------------|--------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|--------------------|---------|
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | New Haven | | 8/22/17 |
| | | 27 | Lynn | Massachusetts | Salem | 1700 | 2/27/17 |
| | | 21 | Beverly | Massachusetts | Salem | 1750 | 4/7/11 |
| | | | | Foreigner | Salem | 8431 | 2/6/11 |
| | | | | | Newport | 14 | 2/3/11 |
| | | 0 | | | New London | 0 | |
| John | | 14 | Beverly | Massachusetts | Salem | 1803 | 4/21/17 |
| Jonathan | | 32 | | | Salem | 1812 | 4/23/17 |
| Joseph | | 20 | Salem | Massachusetts | Salem | 8816 | 7/5/11 |
| Stephen | | | Beverly | Massachusetts | Salem | 1749 | 4/7/11 |
| William | | 19 | Beverly | Massachusetts | Salem | 1716 | 3/10/17 |
| A? | Otis? | 19 | Litchfield | Connecticut | New London | 4705 | 3/4/11 |
| Aaron | Reuben | 14 | Preston | Connecticut | New London | 3569 | 1/8/11 |
| Aaron | Thomas | 11 | Stonington | Connecticut | New London | 4468 | 12/08 |
| Aaron | Thomas | 22 | Stonington | Connecticut | New London | 5875 | 4/25/17 |
| Abbe | Lucius | 21 | Windham | Connecticut | New London | 4210 | 5/13/17 |
| Abbot | Jonas | 40 | Gloucester | Massachusetts | Gloucester | 475 | 6/7/11 |
| Abbot | Benjamin | 14 | Hollis | New Hampshire | Salem | 5170 | 7/7/11 |
| Abbot | Benjamin | 36 | Marblehead | Massachusetts | Marblehead | 144 | 9/12/17 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Search Last | Search First Name | Search | Search Birthplace | Search State | Search Customs | Search Certificate | Search |

Source

The data (sailor names, ages, birth and residences places) included on these pages is taken from the original "Registers of Seamen's Protection Certificates" issued at the Custom Houses of Fall River, Gloucester, New Haven, New London, Newport, Marblehead, and Salem. There are entries for 30,988 certificates issued from 1796-1871.

The original records are in the possession of the National Archives at Boston, in Waltham, Massachusetts. Copies of pages for the New London Protection Register are available from Mystic Seaport's, G. W. Blunt White Library. Any requests for information about the original documents should be referred to the National Archives at Boston. In general, they only have the original registers, not the protection certificates themselves (with rare exceptions). The certificates were issued to individual seamen, but generally were not turned back in to customs officials and passed on to the archives.

Background

In response to the impressment of American seamen by British ships, Congress passed an "Act for the Relief and Protection of American Seamen" in 1796. The Act required customs collectors to maintain a record of all United States citizens serving on United States vessels. Each seaman, once registered with the customs collector, was given a Seaman's Protection Certificate. These certificates vouched for the citizenship of the individual and included identifying information such as age, height, complexion, place of birth, and in some cases eye and hair color. The intention of these certificates was to discourage

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The interface is similar to that of the Crew List only it's just for individuals. There is some valuable Source information to read through on the right. Note that we are picking up seaman from the ports of Gloucester and Marblehead as well as Salem. The search box is at the bottom.

SPC Registers: Result

Registers of Seamen's Protection Certificates

To search, use the search boxes below each column. To sort, click or tap on the column heading.

Showing 1 to 1 of 1 (filtered from 30,988 total)

Clear All Filters

| Last | First name | Age | Birthplace | State | Customs district | Certificate | Date | Complexion |
|----------|------------|--------|----------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Hartwell | Daniel | 22 | Conway | Massachusetts | Salem | 9 | 10/12/1802 | |
| Hartwell | Search F | Search | Search Birthpl | Search State | Search Custi | Search Certifico | Search Date | Search Complex |



| Height (ft) | Height (in) | Hair | Eyes | Other |
|-------------|-------------|--------|--------|----------|
| | | | | |
| Search He | Search He | Search | Search | Search O |

I enter Daniel Hartwell and get similar information to what we saw on Ancestry. Note all the search boxes, which give you a lot of choices to help find an elusive seaman.

Daniel Hartwell Recap

- ★ • Born about 1780 (1809 *Louisa* crew list, 1802 Seaman's Protection Certificate)
- ★ • Crewed on the *Rachel* 1802-1805, Calvin Bunker (1802 Seaman's Protection Certificate, 1805 Return of Seamen)
 - Returned to Topsfield, married, had two sons (1805-09)
- ★ • Crewed on the *Louisa* 1809+, Richard Ward (1809 crew list)
 - What else can we learn?

We've seen two record types - Crew Lists and Seaman's Protection Certificates - so far, and this is what have we learned about Daniel Hartwell ... now, what else can we learn about Daniel and his voyages?

Newspapers

- Criteria for Daniel Hartwell
 - Timeframe = early 1800s
 - Place = Essex County
- Source (\$) = **GenealogyBank**, Newspapers.com, NewspaperArchive
 - *Salem Gazette* (1781-1849): 5K+ issues
 - *Salem Register & Essex Register* (1802-1891): 5K+

Let's now turn to online Newspaper searches. Why do I look here? Because the newspapers of the time covered shipping!

The key to finding relevant records is to get your time and place right, and be sure you have newspapers that cover them. There are several online newspaper sources, all with subscription costs unfortunately. I checked through GenBank, Newspapers, and NewspaperArchive and only GenBank gave me papers (*Gazette*, *Register*) for the right time and place.

Newspaper Search: Daniel Hartwell

The screenshot shows the GenealogyBank search interface. The top navigation bar includes links for Search, Browse, Collections, Clippings, and Help. A user profile for 'shartwell5' is visible in the top right. The search form is divided into several sections: FIRST NAME (containing 'Daniel'), LAST NAME (containing 'Hartwell'), DATE RANGE OR DATE (with '1800' and '1820' in the 'TO' field), KEYWORDS (with 'Include these keywords...' and 'Exclude these keywords...' fields), STATE (a dropdown menu showing 'Massachusetts'), CITY (a dropdown menu showing 'Salem'), NEWSPAPER (a dropdown menu showing 'All Newspapers'), and COLLECTIONS (a dropdown menu showing 'All Collections'). A green 'Search' button is located at the bottom right of the form, with a link to 'Simple Search' below it. The fields for FIRST NAME, LAST NAME, DATE RANGE OR DATE, STATE, and CITY are highlighted with red rectangles.

Here is the GenealogyBank search form. We will start with a broad name search. I started by searching for Daniel directly, and entered first name, last name, date range, state and city

Newspaper Search Results: Daniel Hartwell

GENEALOGY BANK Search Browse Collections Listings Help [My Folder](#) [I shared with me](#)

| | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1st NAME Daniel | 18 Newspaper Archives | 0 Obituaries | 35 U.S. Federal Census | 0 Social Security Death Index | 2 Government Publications | 1 Historical Books | Share |
|--------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|

LAST NAME
Hartwell

☐ Exact Name Search

KEYWORDS
Include a keyword

☐ Add keywords to exclude

DATE RANGE OR DATE
 -

☐ Use a specific date

Update results

[Clear filters](#)

PUBLICATION LOCATION

Massachusetts,
Salem

< [Massachusetts](#)
[Cities](#)

PUBLICATIONS
☒ Essex Register 1
☐ Salem Gazette 17

Results 1 - 15 of 18

SORT BY Relevance ▾

☐ Most Relevant ☒ Mostly ☐ Some ☐ Not Really

Did you find these results helpful?

18
Newspaper Archives

0
Obituaries

35
U.S. Federal Census

0
Social Security Death Index

2
Government Publications

1
Historical Books

[Daniel x](#) [Hartwell x](#) [1800-1820 x](#) [Massachusetts x](#)

[Salem x](#)

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Did you find these results helpful?

Here are the results of our search. Good, there are 18 of them. Let's take a look.

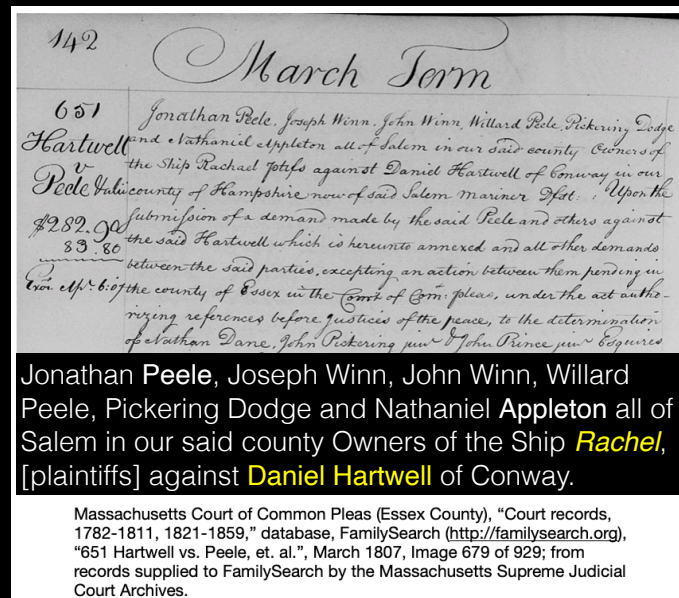
Daniel Hartwell in the News

The image displays two newspaper clippings side-by-side. The left clipping is from the Salem Gazette, dated Friday, Feb 28, 1806. It is an advertisement titled "CAUTION." and states that the public is notified that a note given by Joel Root to Daniel Hartwell for Four Hundred Dollars, at the Island of Massafuero, in the month of October A. D. 1803, payable in three years from date, was obtained by force and is void. All Persons are therefore cautioned not to purchase the same as it will not be paid. JOHN WINN. Jan. 6, 1806. The right clipping is from the Essex Register, dated Saturday, May 12, 1810. It is a mortuary notice titled "DEATHS." and reports the death of Benjamin Lincoln, Major General, in the 78th year of his age, late Collector of the district of Boston and Charlestown. It also mentions that on board the brig Louisa, Ward, in the Mediterranean, Daniel Hartwell, of Topsfield, died. In this town, Widow Hannah Curtis, formerly of Marblehead, aged 60.

\$400 = \$8,000 today!

Here are some intriguing results from the newspapers. The first was an ad in the Salem Gazette (there was actually one of these ads per week for Jan, Feb, Mar of 1806) that a note of \$400 to Daniel at the Island of Massafuero was obtained by force and void. This was intriguing! How did Daniel obtain over \$8,000 in today's dollars on an island off the coast of Chile? This must have pertain to his voyage on the *Rachel*. Is he in trouble with the law? The second was a death notice in May of 1810 for Daniel Hartwell "on board.."

Daniel Hartwell in the Courts



A quick diversion from the newspapers. The Notice record about Joel Root inspired me to check Court Records. Sure enough, browsing through the records of the Massachusetts Court of Common Pleas on Family Search, this account describes a suit brought against Daniel in 1807 by the owners of the Ship *Rachel*. This was a very important find, as we'll see later.

A Maritime Search of the Newspapers

Search GenealogyBank for the *Rachel* voyage

- “Find the Seaman, Follow the Ship”
- Place = Salem
- Time = 1802-05
- Keywords = Rachel, Shipping

Now let's search the newspapers a different way, for information about the ship and its voyages. We know Daniel was a seaman aboard the *Rachel* between 1802 and 1805, so let's find out more about the *Rachel* voyage. The key is to use Keywords.

Results for “Rachel Shipping” Keywords

The screenshot shows the Ancestry.com search interface. On the left, the search filters are visible: First Name, Last Name, Keywords (Rachel Shipping), Date Range (1802-1805), and Publication Location (Massachusetts, Salem). The main search results area shows 26 results, with the first two results highlighted. The first result is from the Salem Gazette, dated December 26, 1805, and the second result is from the Salem Register, dated December 23, 1805. Both results are categorized under 'Shipping News' and feature the word 'Rachel' highlighted in yellow. The results are displayed in a grid format, with each result showing a thumbnail image of the newspaper page and a brief description of the content.

Here is the search and the results. Note the search terms on the left - Keywords, Date and Location. There are 26 results in two publications, *Salem Gazette* and *Salem Register*. They all are categorized under “Shipping News,” with Rachel highlighted in yellow. To show you more about what’s going on, let’s look at this second result more closely.

A *Rachel* Result

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Shipping News
Salem Register | Monday, Dec 23, 1805 | Salem, MA | Vol:VI | Issue:101

1 match found

Ship News.

CUSTOM-HOUSE...SALEM.

| ENTERED, | THUQUER, |
|---------------|----------|
| Ship Arab, | Boston, |
| Brig Trial, | Picket, |
| Hope, | Tate, |
| Ship Iris, | Conway, |
| Sch. Autempt, | Davis, |
| Victoria, | Leacock, |
| Lark, | Feabody, |

PORT-OF SALEM.

THURSDAY, DEC. 19—Arrived, brig Trial, Picket, 38 days from Francois, Mart.—No ship news.

FRIDAY, DEC. 20—Arrived, Ship Arab, Capt. John Batton, from Tranquebar, via the Vineyard. Ship news in our last.

SATURDAY—Ship *Rachel*, Capt. Bunker, from a voyage of 38 months, to the Pacific Ocean, China, India and St. Petersburg, in 82 days — spoke, Dec. 3.

Ship News.

CUSTOM-HOUSE...SALEM.

| ENTERED, | THUQUER, |
|---------------|----------|
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| Rachel, | Bunker, |
| Brig Trial, | Picket, |
| Hope, | Tate, |
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This is the second result from our search. It comes from a section of the *Salem Register* called Ship News. Newspapers of port cities such as Salem often had whole sections devoted to news of maritime voyages - they are quite the treasure trove. In looking at this example a bit more closely, we see that on Dec 20, 1805, the Ship *Rachel*, Capt Bunker arrived in Salem from a voyage of 38 months to the Pacific Ocean, China, India and St Petersburg.

Rachel Voyage: More Results

CUSTOM-HOUSE--SALEM.
CLEARED.
Ship, Betsey, Thorndike, Amsterdam.
Trent, Kinsman, West-Indies.
Rachel, Bunker, S. Pacific Ocean.
Sch. Industry, Cook, West-Indies.

28 Oct 1802

Cleared to sail!

VESSELS LEFT.
At St. Pierres, March 11, Robert, Gage, Beverly;
Sally, Francis, Marblehead; Hazard, Paty, Port-
smouth; ship —, Parsons, Newburyport.
At Canton, Nov. 27, Portsmouth, of Baltimore,
ready for sea; **Rachel**, Bunker, of Salem, and eight
other Americans

12 Apr 1805

Left Canton, Nov 1804

The ship **Rachel**, Bunker, of Salem, arrived at
Antwerp the 11th of June from Canton.

9 Aug 1805

Arrived Antwerp, Dec 1805

Ship **Rachel**, Bunker, of this port, was at Bencoolen Ju-
ly 10, 1804, to sail for Canton in 10 days. One seaman,
by the name of White, died on the Island of Molluero;
James Andrews, of Salem, died in June, on the coast of
Sumatra. Left capt. Jones, in the Mercury, at Molluero,
Jan. 7, 1804.

21 Jan 1805

At Bencoolen, July 1804

SAME DAY—Ship **Rachel**, Capt. Bunker, from a voy-
age of 38 months, to the Pacific Ocean, China, India and
left from St. Petersburg, in 82 days — spoke, Dec 3

23 Dec 1805

Home from St. Petersburg!

I was able to learn more interesting facts about the *Rachel* voyage from the results 1) Oct 1802, Custom House Salem - ready to sail, 2) Jul 1804, at Bencoolen (on the island of Sumatra, Indonesia, in the South Pacific) - two crewmen died, 3) Nov 1804, left Canton (China) with 8 other Americans, 4) Jun 1805, arrived in Antwerp, 5) Dec 1805, return to Salem from St. Petersburg.

Customs Documents

Federal Records of a Maritime Voyage

- Originally kept at Customs House in Salem
- Crew Lists & Seamen's Protection Registers
- Ship Certificate of Registry
- Outward and Inward Manifests

We are going to turn now to Customs documents. They include the crew lists and SPC, but there are more records to be found, of which most have to be searched for in the archives - not online.

Customs Records at NARA, Waltham

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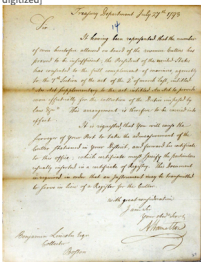
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Customs, Coast Guard, and other Maritime Records


The National Archives at Boston holds nearly 5,000 cubic feet of maritime records split between two main Record Groups: RG 26, Records of the U.S. Coast Guard, and RG 36, Records of the U.S. Customs Service. Additional records can be found in RG 41, Records of the Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation, and RG 32, Records of the U.S. Shipping Board. These records, dating from 1789 through the 1990's, document imports and exports, lighthouses, vessel registrations and sales, reports of lifesaving stations and wrecks, crew arrivals and departures, and a number of other topics relating to maritime trade in New England. Links to [National Archives Catalog](#) entries for a selection of our digitized records can be found below. For assistance with specific research questions, please contact us at boston.archives@nara.gov.

Letters Received from the Departments of State and Treasury, 1789 - 1882 [partially digitized]



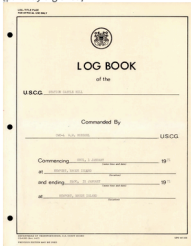
Records Relating to Personnel on Vessels, 1922 - 1933

Letters Received Concerning Lighthouses, 1789 - 1819 [Massachusetts]



Records Relating to the Revenue Cutter Service, 1790 - 1911 [New London, CT] [partially digitized]

Cutter and Station Logs, 1952 - 1999 [partially digitized]



Letters Received Concerning Quarantine and Immigration, 1881 - 1917

The regional National Archives facility for the Boston area is in Waltham, Mass. It has a fabulous collection of historical maritime records of the U.S. Customs service, which were rescued from the Customs House in Salem and preserved.

Mount Vernon Exhibit

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Introduction

NARA'S
NEW ENGLAND
CUSTOMS RECORDS
AT BOSTON

The Ship Mount Vernon
RECORDS OF A SALEM VESSEL IN 1803



Records of a Salem Vessel in 1803:
Featured Documents

Introduction

This exhibit features early federal records that document the first voyage made by the *Ship Mount Vernon* of Salem, Massachusetts in 1803. At that time, tall ships from Salem, like the *Ship Mount Vernon*, traveled around the world exporting and importing cargoes from the West and the East, including exotic locations such as Canton and Sumatra. These documents, and the information recorded on them, are typical examples of records for thousands of American ships of that time. They are also documents that were an integral part of the daily life of seamen, merchants, and officials.

All of the documents in this exhibit are from records created by officials of the Salem and Beverly Customs District for keeping track of American vessels, the cargoes that they carried, and most importantly, to account

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The NARA website for Boston/Waltham has some worthwhile reading, including this online exhibit, which takes you through a Salem ship voyage in 1803 and the customs documents that it generated.

NARA, Waltham



This is a view of NARA Waltham from the outside.

Research at NARA, Waltham

- Prepare - <https://www.archives.gov/boston>
- Reading Room
 - Get a Researcher card
 - Finding Aids
 - Microfilm readers
 - Request original documents
 - Scanning service
 - Helpful staff

When you have an opportunity to visit, go to their website and learn the preparation process, and then call ahead. You will be working from a Reading Room, which has...

NARA Maritime Guides

- Maritime Resources for the Districts in Massachusetts
- 153 pages - description, date, location, container
 - Gloucester - 13 pages
 - Marblehead - 15 pages
 - Newburyport - 2 pages
 - Salem/Beverly - 21 pages

Inside the Reading Room, there are Guides to both microfilm and original documents for Essex County. You will want to comb through these to match up your research questions with what is available. It's also a good idea to consult with an Archivist - to save time, you can call/email them ahead of time. For example, the Maritime Guide has 153 pages of record groups, 51 of which relate to ports in Essex County.

NARA Maritime Guides

Microfilm

M2128

Records of the Collection District of Salem & Beverly, MA

Rolls 1-475 located in Cabinets 12T & 13T

Rolls 476 - 515 located in Cabinet 2B, drawers 2 & 3

1. Import Books of the Collector, 1789-1811
 2. Import Books of the Collector, 1818-1824, 1829-1846; Import Books of Naval Officer, 1789-1807
 3. Import Books of Naval Officer, 1807-1811, 1820-1850
 4. Import Books of Naval Officer, 1849, 1851-1869; Abstract of Duties on Goods, Wares and Merchandise Imported, 1870-1891
 5. Abstract of Duties on Goods, Wares and Merchandise Imported, 1891-1911
 6. Records and Abstracts of Coastwise Entrances and Clearances, 1854-1891
 7. Records and Abstracts of Foreign Entrances and Clearances, 1790-1904
 8. Abstracts and Lists of Vessel Documentation (registers, enrollments and licenses) 1789-1904
 9. Certificates of Vessel Registers, 1789-91, 1802-1810
 10. Certificates of Vessel Registers, 1811-1836
 11. Certificates of Vessel Registers, 1837-1870
 12. Certificates of Vessel Registers, 1889-1900; Certificates of Vessel Enrollments, 1838-64
 13. Certificates of Vessel Enrollments, 1865-1902; Licenses of Vessels Above Twenty Tons, 1870-1876
 14. Licenses of Vessels Above Twenty Tons, 1876-1899; Licenses of Vessels Under Twenty Tons, 1876-1890
 15. Licenses of Yachts, 1873-1899
- Remaining Rolls in Order of Roll Number and (Years) Covered
- | | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 16. Year 1789-1790 | 26. Year 1801 (cont.) | 36. Year 1803-1804 |
| 17. Year 1791-1792 | 27. Year 1801 (cont.) | 37. Year 1804 (cont.) |
| 18. Year 1792-1793 | 28. Year 1801-1802 | 38. Year 1804 (cont.) |
| 19. Year 1794-1795 | 29. Year 1802 (cont.) | 39. Year 1804 (cont.) |
| 20. Year 1795-1796 | 30. Year 1802 (cont.) | 40. Year 1804 (cont.) |
| 21. Year 1797-1798 | 31. Year 1802 (cont.) | 41. Year 1804 (cont.) |
| 22. Year 1798-1799 | 32. Year 1802 (cont.) | 42. Year 1804 (cont.) |
| 23. Year 1799-1801 | 33. Year 1803 | 43. Year 1805 |
| 24. Year 1801 (cont.) | 34. Year 1803 (cont.) | 44. Year 1805 (cont.) |
| 25. Year 1801 (cont.) | 35. Year 1803 (cont.) | 45. Year 1805 (cont.) |

The collection district of Salem and Beverly was established on July 31, 1789. It included all the shores and waters within the towns of Beverly, Salem, and Danvers. Salem was the port of entry and Beverly and Danvers were ports of delivery. The district became part of the District of Massachusetts in 1913.

Archives

Series List

1. Administrative Records, 1789-1938, NAID 4656321, 6789277
2. Administrative Records Relating to Accounts, 1789-1907, NAID 6901233
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Here are two of the finding aids which you will find in the Reading Room. You can also get the archivist to email you copies if you want to look ahead of time - just ask for finding aides for microfilm and archival material for the Salem Maritime records.

Seamen's Protection Certificate Register

| | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------|-----------|------|----------------------|----|---|-------|-------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------------|------|
| 1802 | July 23 | 1565 | Jonathan Shapiro | 18 | 5 | 5 | dark | Massachusetts | Manchester | Nativity in the United States | |
| 1802 | Sept. 1 | 1 | John Harris | 22 | 5 | 9 | dark | Massachusetts | Spirwich | Nativity in the United States | |
| | 8 | 2 | John Paul Harris | 17 | 5 | 6 1/2 | light | " | Danvers | Do. | |
| | 16 | 3 | Richard Summell | 15 | 4 | 7 | " | " | Salmon | Do. | |
| | 18 | 4 | Israel Dodge | 16 | 5 | 4 | dark | " | Woburn | Do. | 1768 |
| | October 6 | 5 | Benjamin Co. | 20 | 5 | 8 | light | Massachusetts | Beverly | Nativity in the United States | |
| | 9 | 6 | Henry White | 18 | 5 | 3 1/2 | dark | New Hampshire | Rodgers | Do. | |
| | 11 | 7 | Ebenezer Clarke | 22 | 6 | — | light | " | Warefield | Do. | |
| | 12 | 8 | Amos Camming | 20 | 5 | 8 | dark | Massachusetts | Springfield | Do. | |
| | 13 | 9 | Daniel Hartwell | 22 | 5 | 8 | light | " | Conway | Do. | |
| | | 10 | William Coffey | 19 | 5 | 11 | dark | " | Salmon | Do. | 1774 |
| | | 11 | Perley Balch | 19 | 5 | 5 1/2 | " | " | Springfield | Do. | |
| | | 12 | Benjamin Goldthwaite | 21 | 5 | 10 | " | " | Conway | Do. | |

Salem, 12 Oct 1802, Line 9 - Daniel Hartwell, age 22, b. Conway

Here are some of the treasures I found for Daniel. This SPC register (I had the archivist scan the original) shows a visual of what we found online in the index. It's cool because Daniel is on the very first page, receiving the 9th certificate issued on October 12, 1802, showing age, height, complexion, place of birth and native country.

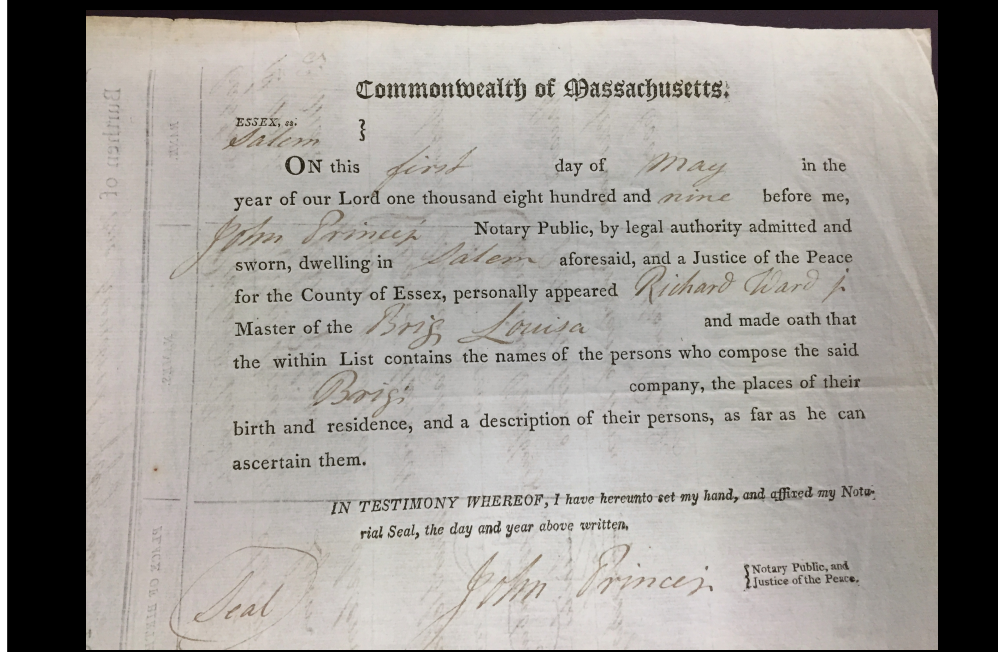
Original Crew List of the Brig *Louisa*

List and Description of the Officers and Crew of the Brig *Louisa*, Richd. Ward, Master of the Burthen of one hundred & fifty six Tons, or thereabouts, now bound from Salem to Thompsonsboro, N. H.

| RANK | NAME | PLACE OF BIRTH | RESIDENCE | HEIGHT | COMPLEXION | AGE | TO WHAT SERVICE |
|----------|-------------------|----------------|-----------|---------------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Captain | Richard Ward | Salem | Salem | five feet 9 inches | light | Twenty-two | United States |
| 1st Mate | Robert Brathwaite | Salem | Salem | five feet 11 in. | light | Twenty-two | United States |
| 2d Mate | John Robinson | Lynn | Salem | five feet 7 in. | light | Twenty-two | United States |
| | John Whitefoot | Salem | Salem | five feet 7 in. | light | Twenty-two | United States |
| | David Harkwell | Salem | Salem | five feet 8 inches | light | Twenty-eight | United States |
| | Andrew Carter | Marblehead | Salem | five feet 8 in. | light | Twenty-seven | United States |
| | David Parsons | Salem | Salem | five feet 8 1/2 in. | dark | Sixteen | United States |
| | Andrew Bradbury | Yonkersburg | Salem | five feet 11 inches | light | Thirty | Sweden |
| | Pelle Asterino | Sicily | Salem | five feet 6 inches | dark | Twenty-nine | Sweden |
| | Fredrick Horn | Thompsonsboro | Salem | five feet 7 inches | light | Twenty-seven | Sweden |
| | William Pease | Salem | Salem | five feet 6 inches | black | Twenty | United States |

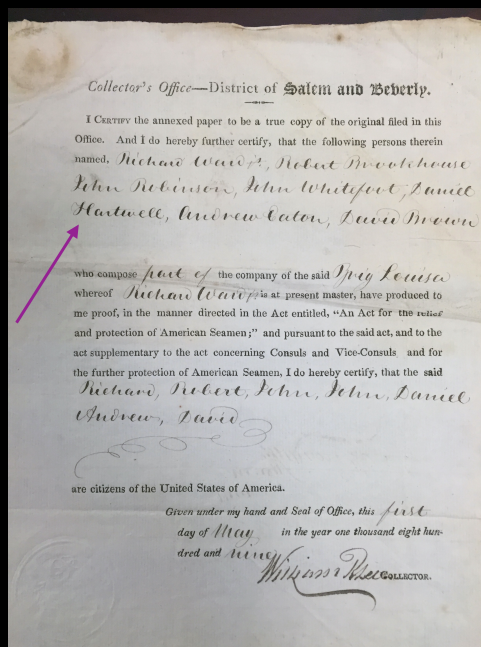
We were able to see a scan of this crew list on FamilySearch and Ancestry. This is a scan they did for me from the original at NARA, and it came with a bonus...

The Back Side!



The back side of the crew list, which dates it May 1 1809 and has the legalese to make it official.

Proof of Citizenship Record: Brig *Louisa*



This was another nice find - a proof of Citizenship record listing the crew, naming the captain and providing a date. There is Daniel Hartwell again.

Inward Foreign Manifest

Inward Foreign Manifest

he none to be found for either of Daniel Hartwell's voyages unfortunately. But I did find some ARA. They had this Inward Foreign Manifest from his voyage as Captain of the *Pilot*, returning to n 1848. This shows the cargo they had on board and who it was consigned to. It includes such antain bark, hemp cloth, coffee, camphor and whale oil.

Merchant Papers

- Peabody-Essex Museum (PEM)
 - Roots in East India Marine Society, @1799
 - Downtown Salem
- Phillips Library
 - Houses the PEM Archives
 - Relocated to new facility in Rowley

For our final source for maritime records of the area, we'll turn to the Peabody-Essex Museum in Salem. It has its roots... It has been newly renovated and worth a visit for some of amazing maritime displays they have. However, the records are not there. The Phillips Library was moved several years ago down the road to Rowley to a new modern building.

Phillips Library



This is a picture of the current facility - it is a wonderful location for research and the staff are very helpful.

Research at Phillips Library

- Maritime records from the Merchants
 - Ship logbooks, account books, etc.
 - Correspondence
- Online Catalog
 - <http://pem.org> - Search for PHILCAT
 - Create an account

The Phillips Library has ... They have an excellent online catalog which you should definitely consult before visiting. It's also worth it to create an account and establish yourself as a researcher there, similar to NARA.

PHILCAT Search

PEM Peabody Essex Museum
Phillips Library | PHILCAT

SEARCH MY ACCOUNT

BASIC SEARCH

Basic Advanced Subject Author

Search: Ship Rachel within Keyword anywhere

Limit To: All Material

Records per page: 10 records per page

Search Reset


“Find the Seaman, Follow the Ship”


Let's take a look at a Philcat search. I didn't get anywhere searching for Daniel, but I remembered "Find the Seaman, follow the Ship." My 4th great grandfather was aboard the Rachel and the Louisa. Starting with the Ship *Rachel*...


PHILCAT Results

TITLES

Phillips Library
15 results found
Keyword anywhere(ship rachel)

☐ 1  **Aurora (Ship) Logbook, 1860-1863.**
Aurora (Ship)
1860
Log 763
✓ available, Phillips Library Stacks

☐ 2  **Appleton family papers, 1780-1857.**
Appleton family.
1780
MSS 216
✓ available, Phillips Library Stacks

☐ 3  **Peele Family Papers, 1753-1838, undated**
Peele family.
1753
MH 5
✓ available, Phillips Library Stacks

Jonathan Peele, Joseph Winn, John Winn, Willard Peele, Pickering Dodge and Nathaniel Appleton all of Salem in our said county, owners of the ship Rachel, ptifs against Daniel Hartwell of Conway in our county of Hampshire*now of said Salem mariner, Dfdt. Upon the submission of a demand made by the said Peele and others against the said Hartwell which is hereunto annexed and all other demands between the said parties, excepting an action between them pending in the county of Essex in the Court of Com. pleas, under the act authorizing

Look at this 3rd result, the Peele Family Papers. Remember that Court record I found? Two of the owners of the ship *Rachel* were Peeles! Let's take a look.

Peele Family Papers (1)

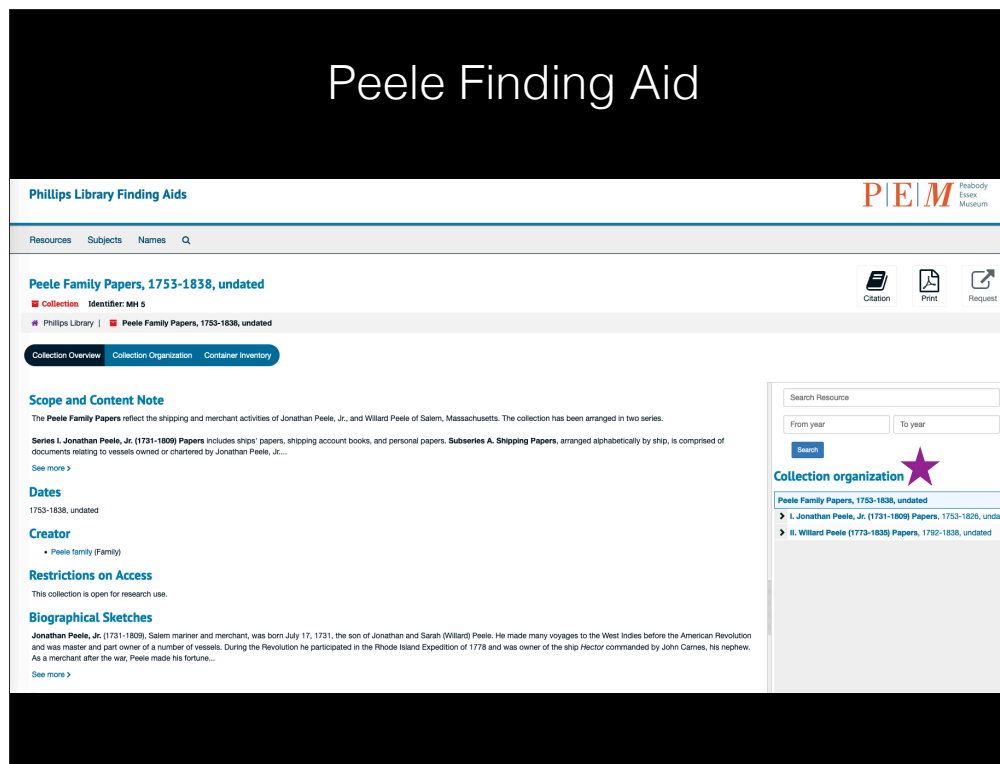
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|-----------------------------|---|
| Peele Family Papers, | |
| Title: | Peele Family Papers, 1753-1871. |
| Author: | Peele family. |
| Physical Description: | 31 boxes (15 linear feet). Organized into two series: Jonathan Peele, Jr. Papers and Willard Peele Papers. |
| Source of acquisition: | Estate of Stephen Phillips; gift; Acc 19,823. Shipping account book; Mrs. Richard Seamans; gift; Acc 15,605. |
| Holdings Information | |
| Location: | Phillips Library Stacks |
| Call Number: | MH 5 |
| Number of Items: | 1 |
| Status: | Available |
| Linked Resources: | Request for use in the reading room or view the finding aid. |
| Actions: | Request |
| Subjects: | |
| | Bliss, Alexander, 1792-1827. |
| | Carnes, Hannah. |
| | Grosvenor, Ebenezer, 1768-1788. |
| | Hedge, Levi, 1766-1844. |
| | McIntire, Samuel, 1757-1811. |
| | Peele, J. Willard, 1804-1871. |
| | Peele, Jonathan, 1731-1809. |

There is a description, which says it's 31 boxes, 15 linear feet, ugh. But there is a finding aid, which we'll get to in a moment.

Peele Family Papers (2)

| | |
|------------------|--|
| | Merchants--Massachusetts--Salem. |
| | Pepper (Spice) industry. |
| | Shipping. |
| | Salem (Mass.) |
| | United States--History--Spoilation claims. |
| Scope: | Collection contains shipping and business papers of Salem, MA, merchant Jonathan Peele, Jr. and Willard Peele. |
| Other Author(s): | Bank for Savings. |
| | Bank of the United States (1791-1811) |
| | Commercial Bank. |
| | Essex Fire & Marine Insurance Company (Salem, Mass.) |
| | Gloucester Canal Corporation. |
| | Merchants Insurance Company (Boston, Mass.) |
| | Ohio Company (1747-1779) |
| | Argonaut (Ship) |
| | Aurora (Ship) |
| | Bird (Schooner) |
| | Bonetta (Ship) |
| | Endeavour (Ship) |
| | Fox (Schooner) |
| | Freedom (Ship) |
| | Hannah (Schooner) |
| | Helen (Brig) |
| | Horizon (Schooner) |
| | Jane (Brig) |
| | Neptune (Schooner) |
| | New Hazard (Brig) |
| | Perseverance (Ship) |
| | Plato (Ship) |
| | Rachel (Ship) |
| | Rajah (Schooner) |

Looking further down the page, there is a scope and the search term Rachel near the bottom.



Here is the Peele Finding Aid, giving lots of useful information. The key material is in the Collection organization section on the right

Peele Finding Aid - *Rachel* Shipping Papers

| Collection organization | |
|--|--|
| Peele Family Papers | |
| ▼ Jonathan Peele, Jr. (1731-1809) Papers | |
| ▼ Shipping Papers | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 1, 1802-1803, undated | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 2, 1802-1806, undated | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 3, 1803-1806, undated | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 4, 1803-1806, undated | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 5, 1805-1810, undated | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 6, 1805-1808 | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 6, 1809-1810, undated | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 7, 1808-1810 | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 7, 1811-1813, undated | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 8, 1810-1811, undated | |
| Freedom (Schooner), voyage 9, 1808-1816, undated | |
| Freedom (Schooner), miscellaneous, 1805-1815, und... | |
| Hannah (Schooner), voyage 3, 1795-1796, undated | |
| Hannah (Schooner), voyage 4, 1795-1798, undated | |
| Rachel (Schooner), voyage 1, 1802-1805 | |
| Rachel (Schooner), voyage 1, 1806-1808, undated | |
| Rachel (Schooner), voyage 2, 1806-1807, undated | |
| Rachel (Schooner), voyage 3, 1803-1810, undated | |

I looked through it all, and under Shipping Papers for Jonathan Peele, there is a line for the *Rachel* voyage that we are interested in! Notice that the voyages are numbered.

The *Rachel* Voyage!

Rachel (Schooner), voyage 1, 1802-1805

File – Box: 4, Folder: 1 Identifier: A.

[Phillips Library](#) | [Peele Family Papers](#) | [Jonathan Peele, Jr. \(1731-1809\) Papers](#) | [Shipping Papers](#) | *Rachel* (Schooner), voyage 1, 1802-1805

Scope and Content Note

From the Collection: The Peele Family Papers reflect the shipping and merchant activities of Jonathan Peele, Jr., and Willard Peele of Salem, Massachusetts. The collection has been arranged in two series.

Series I. Jonathan Peele, Jr. (1731-1809) Papers includes ships' papers, shipping account books, and personal papers. Subseries A. Shipping Papers, arranged alphabetically by ship, is comprised of documents relating to vessels owned or chartered by Jonathan Peele, Jr. The papers of ships owned jointly by Jonathan and Willard Peele reside with the Willard Peele Papers (Series II). Because the Peeles arranged their shipping records by ship and voyage, ships papers have been divided by voyage insofar as possible. Papers not associated with a particular voyage have been placed among an individual ships miscellaneous papers. Crew lists are available for most ships in the collection.

The papers of the ship *Rachel*'s 9th voyage contain an account of the capture and detention of the ship by a Danish vessel in 1809. Of particular interest are the papers of schooner *Rajah*, the first ship to sail directly from Sumatra to Salem with a cargo of pepper. Materials concerning the condemnation of schooner *Willard* provide information on maritime property disputes.

Subseries B. Personal Papers provide little information about Jonathan Peele's home life but contain documents relative to his wife Margaret (Mason) and relations Sarah Peele and Hannah Carnes.

Series II. Willard Peele (1773-1835) Papers are comprised of ships' papers, shipping correspondence, account books, business papers, and personal papers. Subseries A. Shipping Papers contains documents relating to vessels owned or chartered by Willard Peele or co-owned with Jonathan Peele, Jr. The papers of ship *Argonaut* are notable for their documentation of the premature condemnation of the ship and the resultant legal action against the Merchants Insurance Company. The notebook of Captain Gamaliel Hodges contains extensive notes on the culture of native Sumatrans. The papers of the ship *Perseverance* include correspondence from part-owner J. Willard Peele in Antwerp. The majority of the shipping correspondence consists of market advices and prices current from ports in American and abroad. Also included is a series of letters (1821-1822, 1824) from Daniel Webster and his associate Alex Bliss regarding the spoliation claims of an anonymous group of Salem merchants. Researchers interested in the voyages of particular ships after 1810 should consult the "Index to Journals C and D" for access to accounts from particular voyages of individual ships. The shipping account book contains accounts from ships *Aurora* and *Perseverance*, and brig *Jane*.

Jonathan Peele: sponsored 1st trading voyage with Sumatra in 1790s, made a fortune in pepper

Now we can look at info on the records held for the particular voyage that we want. Note the identifier of the actual box and folder to examine - much better than slogging through 31 boxes. Reading thru the notes, Jonathan Peele was the same merchant who sponsored the first trading voyage with Sumatra in the late 1790s, making himself a fortune when the ship *Rajah* came back with a load of pepper, valued at \$125K then and \$1.5 million today

Orders for the *Rachel*

Capt Calvin Bunker Salem October 26th 1802

My dear Sir,
which you are Master being ready for sea, you will proceed from hence with all possible dispatch for the Isle of May one of the Cape de verd Islands there take in one hundred hogheads of Salt and some live stock and from thence proceed to the Island of St. Jago and fill up your empty water casks and from thence proceed directly to Massafuro an Island in the South Pacific Ocean. On your arrival there, you will immediately make preparation and use every exertion possible to procure a cargo of Seal skins. If Seal skins should

Around the world!

Cuba, Chile, seal skins, China, Africa, St. Petersburg

I found some real treasures in these Merchant Papers. This letter, dated Oct 26 1802, is from John Winn, one of the owners, which gives instructions for the voyage to the Master Calvin Bunker. He was to head around Cape Horn to Chile, procure cargo of seal skins, head to Canton, China, back around Africa, to St. Petersburg, and then back home to Salem.

Ship's Provisions

Inventory of Provisions Stores & Clothes shipped
on board the Ship Rachel, Captain Bunker
Master, bound on a sealing voyage to the
South Pacific Ocean, from Thence to China,
and from Thence to Salem in the United
States of America.

Viz

- 50 Casks Water
- 65 Barrels Beef
- 40 Barrels Pork
- 20075 Lb. Bread
- 25 Barrels Flour
- 12 Barrels Meal
- 4 Hogshead Molasses
- 1 Hogshead Rum
- 8 Barrels Rum
- 1 Barrel Geneva
- 3 Barrels Sugar
- 2 Hogsheads Cedar
- 8 Cord Wood
- 100 Bushel Potatoes
- 81 Pair of Shirts
- 60 Jackets

Water, meat, molasses and plenty of rum!

This is a list of stores taken on the *Rachel*. Water, meat, molasses, plenty of rum!

Daniel Hartwell: Troublemaker

Sept 16th 1803

Daniel Hartwell Sold sum of the ships provisions
as the Cook told me sundays after and kept the proceeds him
self — October 17th I told Hartwell to fetch some wood to Cook
with and he refused to do, at that time there was know
other labor to bid Don — October 21st I told Hartwell to make
me a barrel of mauls or I was very busy at that time he
told me he would not, I told him if he refused all kinds
of work I should not find him any more provisions, for
and D Hartwell Left the Crew and then made the rest
of the Crew come to me and bid I bid D Hartwell
and if I did not get D Hartwell back they would leave the ship
I told them if D Hartwell did not come I would ship another

“Sold ship’s provisions and kept proceeds”

As I proceeded through the correspondence, my jaw dropped when I read through this Sep 1803 letter from John Winn, one of the ship’s owners who was onboard the ship. It says that my 4GG, Daniel Hartwell, “sold some of ship’s provisions and kept the proceeds for himself, disobeyed orders, extorted a note for \$400, stole the longboat while in Canton” and it goes on and on.

Five Pages of Transgressions!

Pro Memoria

It is true the Person Daniel Hartwell
was engaged on board my Ship Rachel,
Capt. Bunker, as seaman, under the pretence
to sail to the Island of Mercury, and then
carry the same to Canton, & further to fetch back to, & deliver
to Nathl. Seals, and further to obey to the
conditions mentioned in the Shipping Papers of said
Ship.

That after During some time the above
mentioned Daniel Hartwell performed to the
same & did his duty, ~~as~~ but that after
in both a length of time, he disobeyed me
in a number of instances - and by not being willing to make my
managers, and fetching Wood for the
Cook - of which the Cook had made
his Complaint to me - that afterwards I
asked the said Hartwell what was his reason

**"Disobeyed orders, extorted note for \$400,
stole longboat and mutinied while in Canton"**

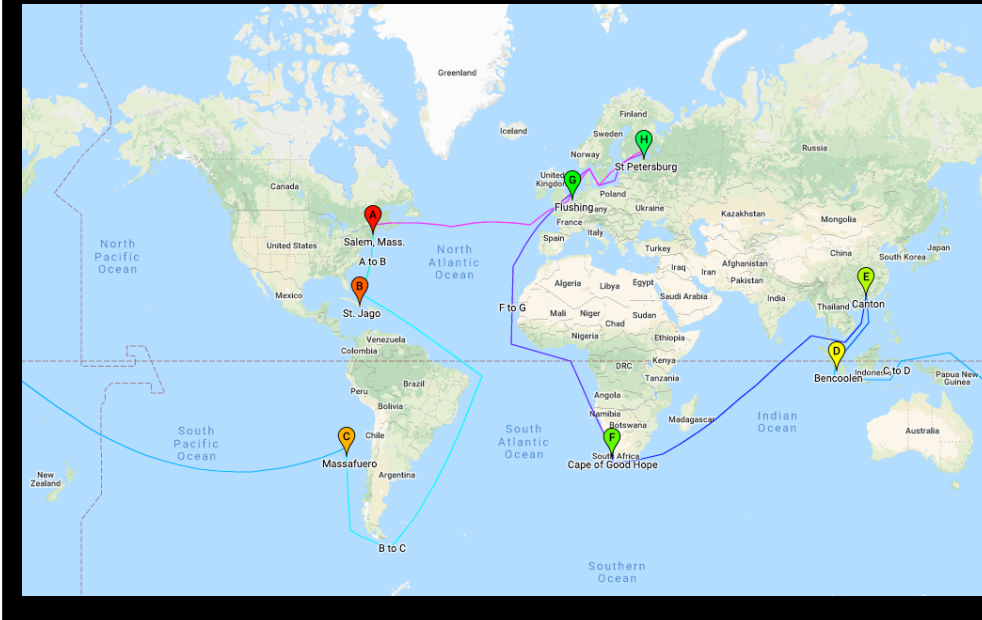
This Pro Memoria - written later in the voyage by John Winn, has five pages of Daniel Hartwell's transgressions, a precursor to the suit the owners were going to bring against him at the end of the voyage.

Receipt for Filing Suit Against Daniel

| | |
|--|--------|
| 1803. Ship Rachel to J & W. First Voyage | 9.00 |
| Jan'y 18 th To Iron Factory Bill Short Charged | 0.25 |
| March 22 ^d To Archer & Andrew Bill | 1.87 |
| 1806 | |
| Jan'y 4 th To Cash & Pickering Lodge | 500.00 |
| July 16 th To a Horse & Chari to Boston & expense | 4.47 |
| 1807 | |
| Feb'y 10 th To Cap ^t George Cronin's Bill | 173.91 |
| April 20 th To Samuel Putnam Bill in suit against D. Hartwell | 459.13 |
| May 20 th To paying Cable | 0.44 |
| To Mr. Dabney for advertisements | 1.50 |
| To Mr. Leonard the boy | 10.00 |
| To J ^r J ^r Pickering Esq for Recording Depositions | 2.00 |
| To D ^r Peabody notifying Hartwell | 1.00 |

And here is some accounting info which includes an 1807 line item for Daniel Hartwell, to Samuel Putnam in suit against D. Hartwell, \$459.13 and a couple of more for depositions and notifications. There was plenty more, but this gives you a flavor.

Voyage of the *Rachel*



With all the info from the Peele correspondence and the Shipping News ports of call from the newspaper searches, I was able to make a visual by creating a custom Google Map. If we follow the alphabet from A to H, west to east, and back to A, we can look at Daniel's voyage around the world on the *Rachel*.

PHILCAT Search #2

Daniel Hartwell's 1809 voyage on the *Louisa*

Search

BASIC SEARCH

Basic Advanced Subject Author

Search: Brig Louisa within Keyword anywhere

Limit To: All Material

Records per page: 10 records per page

Search Reset

Result

TITLES



Phillips Library

43 results found

Keyword anywhere(brig louisa)

Edit Search Save Search Save Search as Alert

Print Export E-mail Select Page: All

| | |
|---|--|
| 1 |  Louisa (Brig) Logbook, 1809. Louisa (Brig) 1809 Log 1175 ✓available, Phillips Library Stacks |
| 2 |  Account Book for Brig Louisa, 1809-1810. Louisa (Brig) 1809 MSS 639 ✓available, Phillips Library Stacks |

One more Philcat search - let's look for records of the *Louisa* voyage. The first two results were relevant. I looked through the logbook, which was rather dry, but the Account book was a gem.

Search Results

Account Book for Brig Louisa.

Title: Account Book for Brig Louisa, 1809-1810.
Author: Louisa (Brig)
Physical Description: 1 volume.
Source of acquisition: Unknown; purchase; 1914.

Holdings Information

Location: Phillips Library Stacks
Call Number: MSS 639
Number of Items: 1
Status: Available
Actions: [Request](#)

Subjects: Louisa (Brig)
Account books.
Shipping--Massachusetts--Salem.
Salem (Mass.)

Scope: Account book for the brig Louisa of Salem, MA on a journey to Tangiers, Palermo, and Messina. Gives some information on currency in those countries.

Other Author(s): Wineasano, Richard G., 1799-1842.

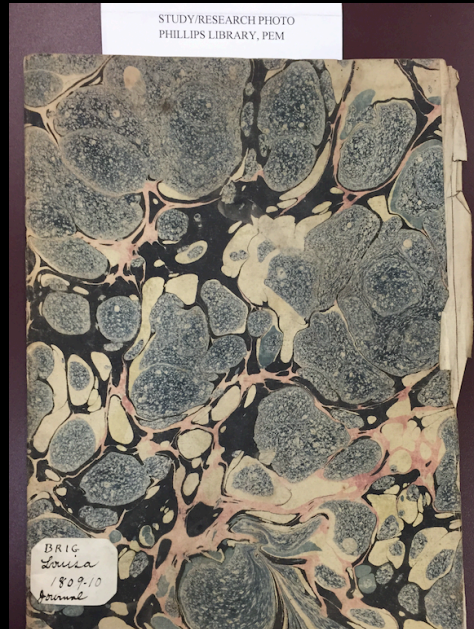
Format: Mixed Material

Preferred Citation: Account Book for Brig Louisa, MSS 639, Phillips Library, Peabody Essex Museum, Rowley, MA.

Local notes: For permission to publish material from this collection, contact research@pem.org.

Here is the record of the item - no finding aid needed, I just requested it.

The Account Book from the Brig *Louisa*



About 8 x 10", this is the front cover.

Louisa Account Book

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Big Louisa at Palermo -

| Date | Description | Debit | Credit | Balance |
|-------------|---|-------|--------|---------|
| Sep 10 1809 | Paid for John Whitefoot for 4 lb Tobacco | 18 | | 18 |
| " | " Andrew Eaton 2 lb 15c | 8 | | 8 |
| " | " William Ready 2 lb | 8 | | 8 |
| " | ★ Daniel Heartwell 2 lb | 8 | | 8 |
| " | " Andrew Eaton 2 lb | 8 | | 8 |
| Oct 4 | Advanced Andrew Eaton Cash \$1.50c | 18 | | 18 |
| " | ★ Daniel Heartwell 1.50c | 18 | | 18 |
| " | Andrew Eaton 1.50c | 18 | | 18 |
| " | Andrew Eaton 1 | 12 | | 12 |
| " | Andrew Eaton 1 | 12 | | 12 |
| Nov 5 | " Daniel Heartwell 4 | 12 | | 12 |
| 12 | Paid for taking up William Ready he having Run away - \$10-- | 4 | | 4 |
| | | 24 | | 24 |

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- Sep 10, 1809 - "Paid for Daniel Heartwell - 2lb Tobacco"
- Oct 18 - "Advanced Daniel Heartwell \$1.50c"

As I read through the account book, Daniel popped up on a number of occasions, each time with his name spelled Heartwell.

| 1810 | | Disbursements and | 1810 |
|---------|--|-------------------|------|
| Feb | | Amount brot Over | Feb |
| 53 | Paid for 10 Potoli of Pork @ 2-12 | 146 | 26 |
| | Bread | | 14 |
| | 2 Cauliflower | | 14 |
| March 1 | Bread | | 14 |
| | 5 Cauliflower | | 27 |
| 3 | Money for the Hops | | 8 |
| | Bread | | 14 |
| 3 | 6 Potoli of Potatoes | | 14 |
| | Bread | | 14 |
| | 3 Cauliflower | | 24 |
| 4th | 10 Potoli of Pork @ 2-12 | 20 | 9th |
| | Bread | | 10th |
| | 1 Bottle of Milk | | 14 |
| | 1 Cauliflower | | 14 |
| 5th | Bread | | 14 |
| | Macaroni | | 24 |
| 6th | 4 Cauliflower | | 24 |
| | Bread | | 14 |
| 7th | 8 Potoli of Beef at 2-10 | 24 | |
| | Bread | | 14 |
| | 1 Doz Eggs | | 24 |
| | 1 Bottle Milk | | 14 |
| | Charges omitted 1 Cauliflower | | 12th |
| Feb 13 | Paid for Carreing Daniel Heartwell to Hospitle | | 13th |
| 4th | Cash advanced Antonio Potelling | | 14th |
| | John Whitefoot | | |
| 9th | Paid for 2 Men Landing Sugar & day eat | | |
| | at 3 Pines & Day | | |
| 11th | Mending Shoes for William Beards | | |

Feb 3, 1810

"Paid for Carreing Daniel Heartwell to Hospitle"

And then, right under the cauliflower, ...

Port charges at Messina continued

| 1810 | | Amount | Port | Forward | 1812 | 5 | 10 |
|---------|-------------------------------|--------|------|---------|------|---|----|
| Feb 12 | Paid for Daniel Heartwell | | | | 4 | 2 | - |
| " | " Doctors bill | | | | 1 | 0 | - |
| " | " at Hospital for his clothes | | | | 1 | 1 | 18 |
| " | " Coffin | | | | 3 | - | - |
| " | " Digging his grave | | | | 0 | - | - |
| March 4 | Advanced John Whitefoot | | | | 12 | 4 | - |
| " | Andrew Eaton | | | | 0 | - | - |
| " | Andrew Vetterburg | | | | 1 | 8 | - |
| March 8 | Paid for Bread | | | | 1 | 1 | - |
| " | 2 Cauliflower | | | | | | - |

Feb 12, 1810, at the port of Messina (Sicily)

- "Paid for Daniel Heartwell
- Doctors bill
- at Hospital for his Clothes
- Coffin
- Digging his grave"

On the next page came the explanation... So now I have a death record of sorts, early Feb 1810, at the port of Messina, which is on the island of Sicily of the southern coast of Italy. So now I have to get over there and see if there is possibly a grave marker for him!

Salem Maritime Records

- Types - Crew lists, Seamen's Protection certificates, Newspapers, Customs documents, Merchant papers
- Online - FamilySearch, Ancestry, Mystic Seaport, GenealogyBank
- Archives - treasures at NARA in Waltham and Phillips Library in Rowley
- Useful for genealogy, invaluable for context!

In summary...

Thank you!

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Essex Society of Genealogists
<https://esog.org>

We have reached the end. A reminder that on the table on the way out are a hand out for my talk, and also some information about the Essex Society of Genealogists, a local organization which sponsored this presentation and provides monthly programs and wonderful resources for those interested in genealogy at any level. Thank you - are there any questions?