

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

PERSONAL

Dec. 9, 1926.

Secretary,
The Zoological Society of San Diego,
San Diego, Calif.

Dear Sir:-

In the course of a study which I am making of the present whereabouts of the old sailing vessels still afloat in these waters I have learned that the Zoological Society of San Diego has recently acquired possession of the old British sailing ship "Euterpe", latterly known as the "Star of India".

As this vessel is the oldest and most noted of all the former British craft now under American registry I am especially interested in tracing her career. I shall be much obliged to you for any information which you may give me concerning the future service of the vessel.

I have learned in a general way that it is the intention of the Society to equip the vessel as a marine museum, to be permanently anchored in the harbor. I shall be glad to have your confirmation of this most interesting report, and will be grateful for such particulars as you may be able to give me.

My object in making this inquiry is purely personal and solely for my own information in order to complete my study of the general subject.

Sincerely yours,

Walter H. Hearn

