

Plains distance 24 miles. stopped over night and left again for Dunedin on Wednesday, May 16th arriving at Dunedin in the afternoon distance 14 miles. Thursday May 17th I went to see the American Counsel to see if I could not get a chance to go home in the American Bark Marathon bound to Boston. He asked me if I had not ran away from the Bark Ogate last December and I told him that I had and he said that he would see the Captain and ask him if he wanted anyone aboard of his ship. The Counsel telling me to be around in two or three days and he would let me know Monday. May 21st I went to see the American Counsel again and he told me to be at the agents office at 1/2 past 2 o'clock and that I would see the Captain there my self and have a talk with him so I see the Captain and he told me that he would give a chance as Cabin Boy if I liked to take that. At 1 o'clock he did not require any one aboard of his ship but if I like to go it would be a good chance to get home to Boston. I told him that I would go and be aboard on Tuesday May 22 and commence work. As soon as I got aboard the Cook said to me you look after the Cabin and keep every thing nice and clean and I will

look after gally and do the cooking on Thursday May 24th I noticed the Cook and the Officer was not in very good terms I noticed the mate go to the gally door and ask the Cook for a coal off fire to light his pipe with but the Cook refused him admittance and told him if he did not go away from the door that he would knock him down shortly afterwards the Cook called me forward and told me to go down in his state room and look under his pillow and I would see a Revolver laying there and get it and fetch it to him and not let the mate or second mate see me so I got it and carried it forward to him and he told me to go aft and keep my eyes and ears open and hear what I could hear presently I see the mate and second mate going towards the gally door and just about to step in when the Cook was making. Bread told them if you dont go out of this gally I will blow both of your brains out. The mate and second mate came away from the gally door and did not say any thing more but in the evening after supper I went to bed a little past 7 o'clock I could hear in my State room just as plain as could be at about 8 o'clock the mate up and told the Captain the whole story and the Captain said hold on till to morrow and I will fix him.