

Morning. Sunday April 10th 1870. Fine clear weather light breeze. of wind went down the coast. to Kangaroo Bay. (Sentin Islands) and dropped anchor to get wood and water as we was getting short of it. Laying at anchor 2 weeks. On Sunday April 24th we were all permitted to go ashore any one that liked to go so about 12 of us started. and went ashore some went one part of the island and others went another part. but I went up. with only two of us away up to the further end of the Island to see what we could see and about 5 o'clock they all left. to go back. but I stopped behind. I got in a first rate place where they could not see me but I could see them when they went off to the ship. There was three men at work on the Island and they had a small hut of which they lived in as soon as I see the boat get aboard of the ship. I came down towards the house and went in there was an old man which done the cooking for the other two men he asked me to sit down and have some supper which I did as I was very hungry. Indeed having had nothing to eat since morning. He says to me the other 2 men has

gone aboard of your ship and probably they will come back. about 9 o'clock perhaps they may. Come after you but to be on the safe side you had better sit down by the window which I could look out and see the ship. and watch when the Boat. Came ashore and when I should see them leave the ship for to come ashore I should get out. and go way up in the bushes. and hide my self - till the ship went away. as she was going away. on Monday April 25th 1870. But it was not so for. instead of me getting away. I got caught and taken aboard of the ship again. just a little after dark I was sitting at the window watching for the Boat. and the first thing that I knew was that the second mate was coming in the door with the other 2 men but it was too late for me to do any thing for there was only one door and for me to get out that door would be utterly impossible. The second mate asked me where I had been and I told him he also asked me if I was trying to run away and I told him no that I had got lost. and could not find the way back. He says to me you can go aboard of the ship with me when