stove two boats and then went off taking a large quantity of line.
16th A calm again two ships in sight at half past nine P.M. just as we had retired for the night, the officer of the watch came running down saying a right whale just turned flukes close by the watch. it was rather late, but Samuel felt as if he could not let the chance escape. so sent the boats off to attempt a capture. the whale was about a mile to the windward the boats using their paddles came almost up to him. the whale meanwhile laying on the water, just as they got near him he went down, the second mates boat lay still and the whale came up in about two minutes close by the boat and the boatsteerer missed him. the same boatsteerer that missed before. he has had two chances now and failed each time, and Samuel feels that it would neither be doing justice to himself or others to give him another trial. a whale in these days is worth too much to lose recklessly- it made us all feel very badly.
17th A year today since we were stoven in the ice. how time flies. and here we are doing nothing even as we were then- have been laying around today hoping we might see whales again but have seen nothing that looked like a right whale- A ship in sight which we suppose to be the julian-
18th We are again bound South Samuel being satisfied there is nothing here for him. the other ship has got mad by her looks and is off with "main royal and studding sails" out. In the afternoon she being quite near us, we luffed to and Capt Winegar lowered his boats and came on board bringing us a bag of corn and three bottles of port wine for my special benefit. his son came on board with him, a very interesting lad. Minnie enjoyed his visit very much- I dont think he enjoys a sea life very much- poor boy. it made him think so much of his mother to see me. Oh, he says, I am so glad my mother used to give me such good counsel for I dont think I shall grow to be so wicked as some of "our boys" are referring to the sailors. I put up some little notions for him-
after he had been on board a short time we raised something which was thought to be a dead whale but it proved to be a carcass of no value to anyone. when Capt W. left he invited us to pass the next day

which was Sunday, on board his ship. he felt that it would do him good to have a lady on board and wished upon our coming- finally Samuel told him if it was calm so that we could get to where we would come-
19th The morrow has come and it is calm as a clock, and as delightful a day as of one often witnesses, I was glad for I wanted to go- knowing that I should enjoy myself. the Captain being excellent company- he started about 11 A.M. and arrived again on board the Addison at 10 P.M. We all passed a very pleasant day. Capt. W. enjoying it very much, it reminding him so strongly of home - Minnie attracted much notice ~~of~~ ~~since~~ ~~she is generally~~ the centre of attraction with company. she is not afraid to speak and her replies are generally to the point and usually interspersed with some ~~scalt~~ remarks. the Capt gave me a couple of pounds of green tea, a couple of tins of preserved pine apple and a few shells- I forgot to mention that we carried him a little pig- and gave him a piece of fresh pork. the ~~goo~~ cook gave Minnie a little china cup and saucer which pleased her very much- For dinner we had a roast duck- potatoes onions some very nice biscuit coffee- Mince pie, and for dessert preserved peaches pine apples and quinces. for supper we had oysters, cold duck biscuit, preserved pears, mince pie, dough nuts and cookies. Capt. W. doing the honors very well. he arrived home delighted with our visit,
20th. Nearly calm the ship Julian still in sight-
21st Calm, Capt Winegar and Sammy came on board in the afternoon and stopped until 9 P.M.
22nd Samuel went on board the julian to get some work done by his blacksmith, as we have none. took Minnie with him, as he intended to stop the most of the day- Mr Shepard the mate presented her with a little china doll, which she thinks of calling Emma Shepard. they returned home about 4 P.M. Capt. W. accompanying them.
23rd A strong breeze with a head sea rather uncomfortable weather especially in the cabin
24th Samuel and Minnie went on board the julian again as Samuel had a gun which needed repairing