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15th commenced with light winds from N^W steering by the wind heading N^W by N. In company with the B. Tucker kept twin bands on board. Long and our mate is on board of his ship saw for fishes had fresh peas and turkey for dinner something of a rarity after being 3 months at sea. Middle part strong breeze at 5 P.M. the wind hauled S^W course N^W by N under all sail. Later part fine breeze saw California gulls saw a large ship steering to the S^W started the B. Tucker in sight at head

16th commenced with strong breeze from South course N^W by N under all sail at bath passed us steering S^E she showed her chamber we hoisted the chamber we set our ensign but she did not show hers our chief trouble at present is the increase of the leak in the ship at present our daily leak is 800 strokes doubtless what it was one month ago I fear we shall have trouble with her before we get home. Middle part the same as the first latter part strong breeze from South at 9 o'clock P.M. saw the land bearing N^W by N distant 35 miles

17th commenced with strong breeze from the S^W steering for the land at 3 o'clock hauled a back and lowered 3 boats to catch fish caught a few at 5 came on board saw the northern light our captain went on board he had two barrels of sperm oil saw the ocean of New Bedford 30 minutes but 1100 sperm in water at 6 o'clock spoke the B. Tucker and kept off N^W middle part strong breeze hauled N^W by N under all sail. Passed a ship on the starboard tack heading S^E under all sail. Latter part light winds saw the Northern Light at head distant 10 miles. And the B. Tucker to the N^W distant 15 miles. At 9 o'clock P.M. the Northern Light came to the wind waiting for us to come up with her at 11 o'clock Captain Crowell went on board and snipes baker the mate came here

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Unofficially as Robinsons Crusoe Island lies in the latitude of 33° 49' South Long 79° 06' West At the present time it is settled by Spanish convicts from Chile. The Island is very fertile and abounds with various kinds of fruit such as peaches quinces figs cherries strawberries. And all kinds of garden vegetables. The hills are covered with wild horses and cattle and goats for many years. This Island has had an ill worst and was seldom visited by man. Late years it has been a great resort for whalers who stoped for to catch fish and get fruit which they found in great abundance. And without cost more than the trouble of gathering it. But at the present whalers can get nothing without paying double the value of it. Potatoes \$1.50 per barrel chickens 50 cents a piece. I was on the Island 6 years ago at that time there was no settle merit. Every thing grew wild and was for the use of every body that had a mind to stop and gather. I dare say there was thousands of bushels of peaches carried off yearly by whalers. But now the act of destruction has commenced its work and in a few years the fruitful valleys of graniferousness will have come under the axe and have instead of themny years ago the Island was settled and amply fortified at what date or by what government I do not know but to judge from the old ruins I should say that it must of been done by old Spain when her colonies revolted and on this Island was a depot for her military stores. And after she lost her possessions on the main land she evacuated the Island leaving it in ruins of the cattle and horses they had carried there which in creased to a great number. And now there is a new settlement started under patronage of the Chilean government. How well it will succeed future ages must tell. So farewell to the beautiful Island of Robinson Crusoe.