

November 23 1852

He told the mate to bring him and ~~as~~ that he might kill the ~~clumsy~~ ~~hunger~~ ~~hitch~~ the mate got the ~~ack~~ but the ~~shipper~~ did not use it after he had finished the ~~business~~ in operation he told the mate to put him in double ~~air~~ but they could not master but one pair of ~~air~~ but ~~air~~ were ~~unusable~~ the poor ~~devil~~ was too much constituted to make an effort to escape them or do ~~anything~~ in self defence but ~~enough~~ of this the ~~second~~ ~~one~~ to has been off duty for the last 4 days and I suppose will be discharged at this port since we have anchored here we have ~~not~~ ~~low~~ ~~and~~ ~~about~~ and ~~that~~ ~~a~~ ~~man~~ ~~has~~ ~~left~~ ~~the~~ ~~ship~~ but the captain The captain of the ~~corvette~~ has been kind enough to convey him to ~~land~~ from the shore

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Left the good ship Columbus off ~~fair~~ ~~the~~ ~~river~~ to live on shore for a short time or till we can get a chance to get away. Self and ~~Mr~~ ~~head~~ ~~man~~ ~~rented~~ ~~a~~ ~~sub~~ ~~st~~ ~~it~~ ~~ive~~ ~~house~~ for 3 dollars a week and engaged board at 5 dollars a week I passed the night on board of the ship and came on shore in the morning of the 24th.

November 24

Living on shore is quite a novelty. But I fear I shall soon get weary of the sport I am not discharged yet and I have run to the council's office till I have lost all patience I will never leave another ship if I can avoid it

This evening I feel very lonesome I am all alone there is several ~~strangers~~ ~~set~~ ~~ing~~ ~~at~~ ~~my~~ ~~door~~ ~~talking~~ ~~what~~ ~~is~~ ~~the~~ ~~topic~~ ~~of~~ ~~there~~ ~~conversation~~ ~~is~~ ~~more~~ ~~than~~ ~~I~~ ~~can~~ ~~tell~~ But I at most wish I was one of them they know the trouble that is much more than I can say If a man wants to know trouble all he has to do is to be set a shore in a ~~foreign~~ ~~country~~ without money and without friends

November 25

~~ing~~ ~~a~~ ~~minute~~ I commenced the day by walking 4 or 5 miles or more to get my breakfast My friend has engaged to go in the ~~bar~~ ~~but~~ ~~the~~ ~~as~~ ~~second~~ ~~officer~~ as to my self there is no chance or yet latter part of the day has some talk with Captain ~~Leas~~ ~~of~~ ~~this~~ ~~ship~~ ~~about~~ ~~the~~ ~~and~~ ~~partly~~ ~~expected~~ ~~to~~ ~~go~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~mate~~ ~~with~~ ~~him~~ And likewise saw Capt ~~Leas~~ ~~of~~ ~~this~~ ~~ship~~ ~~and~~ ~~he~~ ~~wishes~~ ~~me~~ ~~to~~ ~~go~~ ~~his~~ ~~2nd~~ ~~mate~~ I shall engage shortly some where