

Journal of a voyage in the Admiral
Sept Saturday 4th

This day weather good with very light air. This morn at eight went with the Consul in a boat to try & employed on board in painting the heads & getting off twenty Blk water & getting wood. Some were with at Sunday. The Consul still gone so ends.

Sunday 5th This day weather fine wind light from S.W. Had two boats off in S.W. - boys looking for whales saw one this. Four men will go & suppose them to be at what bay so ends.

Monday Sept 6th To day strong with light air. This morning called all hands & went to work stowing the hold & getting off water got off eight casks, averaging about 4 Blk. each. It rained rather hard on this morn as the disinters have not been brought back but we have heard from them. We hear they are in safe keeping, & very ends in calm & much weather.

Tuesday Sept 7th To day weather quite good. At 4 AM Capt went to town for the disinters. As the Capt is drunk so he could not steer the boat at the town. Capt had to steer the boat himself. They came on board at 6 PM. He still drunk & some of the boats crew also. Employed with one boat crew in heeling the ship a part so to paint the heads on the Martens. Did also get off two cask of wood & stored the hold to the after hatch. At 6 PM the heads painted. At 8 PM raining quite hard.

Block of Novion Hammond, Master.

September Wednesday 8th This day weather quite good with strong S.W. wind. At eight this morning the Capt went to town & carried one Blk. bag. Went after the Russians. At 12 PM he came back with them all. Employed in getting off one cask of wood making five cask in all also got off 28 Blk water & run it in the ground. Have seen nothing so ends.

Sept Thursday This day weather fine wind S.W. Employed in the fore noon in getting off & stowing down 20 Blk water. At 3 PM the hold all stowed cleared the deck & washed off. Capt went on shore for a goat but not with provisions. At 2 PM hove up the anchors & moved off a little way in 13 fathern water to get the sun. Day ends with weather the same.

Sept Friday 10th To day weather some squalls. This morning called all hands & washed off went on shore brought off the stoven boat and old fly-jib boom then went for some coconuts came off at 12 PM & returned way & beat up to Chado-bay below the port & came to anchor in 5 fathern water at 6 PM. Purled the sails & set the watch.

Sept Saturday 11th To day squally from S.W. At 8 AM hove up the anchors put a boat ahead & pulled her out a little way so to take the breeze made sail & beat up towards the Dutch cap. Saw a whale but it commenced to rain at five PM. Hove up two boats & pulled up to the Dutch cap. Saw the whale turned out to be a cow & calf so could not do any thing so came on board at 7 PM. Stood off shore till 10 PM. Tacked in