

Schooner E. Nickerson off the Isl of Sal
Remarks on Board Wednesday Jan 18th 1854

Commenced with fine weather at 12 1/2 M. R.
I went on shore to the dock and
bought one coil of Ripping for sheets
weighing 245 lbs at 90 cts per lb. and 7 cranes
at 29 cts apiece, and took his whaling gun
and 25 Bomb Lances to return to his
owners, at 3 1/2 P.M. Returned to the vessel
and took some alterations to a just
the Chronometer. Latter part fresh
brades at 9 A.M. I went on shore
to End.

Remarks on Board Thursday Jan 19

Commenced with fresh brades at 3 1/2
P.M. I Returned to vessel having
bought 606 lbs of Jowline and one
copper ladle. Latter part fresh
brades at 9 A.M. 1st in
the Main Sail and Commenced
Repairing it. So Ends. Blowing
Fresh. This far I have been
much vexed with some of my men and
committed a great sin. For I was
very mad. But I hope God will
forgive me. For he knows my situation.
Best of any being. God give me more grace.
to bear all my trials with patience.

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Remarks on Board Friday Jan 20th 1854

Commenced with fresh brades at 12 1/2 M. R.
lowered for Black Flag. at 2 1/2 Returned
to the vessel with nothing. Barometer 29 1/2
Latter part fresh brades from the 8 & 8
Employed in Repairing the Main Sail
and throwing raw lines into casks to Ends.
Oh God I am a poor sinner before thee,
and am unworthy to look to thee for anything.
But O God give me grace to bear my
troubles with patience and resignation and
believe to do all things well.

Remarks on Board Saturday Jan 21st 1854

Commenced with fresh brades at 12 1/2 M. R.
I went on shore on business. Oh my
troubles are almost more than I can bear.
But God will deliver all who trust in him.
O God thou art my only hope and support
in trouble with thee now assist now. at 5
Returned to the vessel and stood off on the
Northern tack under short sail. Latter
part fresh brades at 12 M. I wore on at
9 A.M. wore off. but saw nothing of
note to Ends. Oh Lord do not
forsake us. But direct our ways
and incline us to do right.