

Scho. E. Nickerson off Bonavista
Remarks On Board Peridas April 7th 1854

Commences with light baffling winds.
Employed cutting at six P.M. finished
and got under way. and ran
down to the S.W. of the Island at 6 1/2
P.M. finished cutting up the Rubber.
at 8 1/2 Started the works. it is so
moderate that we cannot get to
Anchor. At 11 3/4 P.M. came to Anchor.
at 2 A.M. the mincing gave up duty.
at 3 3/4 A.M. lowered for the Back
the S. Boat struck and drawn.
at 12 Returned to the vessel. Saw
a Portuguese schooner.

So Ends

Remarks On Board Saturday April 8th

Commences with moderate trades Employed
Boiling at 1 1/2 P.M. lowered for the
Back but could not get near him.
at 11 P.M. finished Boiling at 6 A.M.
lowered for the Back at 7 Returned to
the vessel. at 10 finished Stowing Down
the Oil and lowered again at 11 1/2 Returned
to the vessel.

Scho. E. Nickerson off Bonavista
Remarks On Board Sunday April 9th 1854

Commences with moderate trades. Lying at
Anchor. Latter part very fine I saw
a number of Hump Backs. O how I
wish that this voyage was over, and
I was at home with my friends.
For it appears that my troubles increase
daily. To night 6 men came to me
with the complaint that they were
throwing Bread about the fort castle. I
do not know what they will do next. To
waste provisions is something I will not
allow. O. may God assist me to govern
rightly. I have tried to this far. But with
this crew it appears impossible for me to
do so them as my feelings dictate. It appears
that the very Devil possesses them lately.
O that I had more Grace to bear all this
troubles and trials. For I fear sometimes
for my peace. had I have been what
I was on my former voyages. they
would have feared me as they ^{would} the Devil.
O. Oh may God give me peace is my greatest
Desire and prayer. for on that my peace
of mind depends. But my heart trembles
for the Suce of the voyage. but it is in
the hands of the Lord. and I trust he
will do all things well.