

Capt Gross master
Thursday March 16th
in St Helena cooper
still on shore Capt Gross
visits the ship goes shore
a gain so ends

Friday March 17th
in St Helena
cooper still on shore
and has not reported him
self to the ship

Saturday March 18th
in St Helena
cooper still on shore
Capt Gross visits the ship

Sunday March 19th
in St Helena
cooper still on shore has
not reported him self
for 6 days so ends

Monday March 20th
in St Helena cooper
has not reported him self
yet this log book has been
on shore before the American
consul and his writings
will be seen in tonight's
hazy page in regard to
the mutinising crew
so ends Capt Gross visits
the ship

received on board 21 Bags
of Irish potatoes 6 Bags of
sweet 4 dozen cabbage

Consulate of the United States of America
St. Helena

28th February 1893

I James B. Coffin, United States Consul at St. Helena, hereby certify
that I have held an investigation into the cause of certain seamen
of the American Whaling Bark "Greyhound" of New Bedford, Mass.
S. Enos Master refusing duty and disobeying the orders of the Officers
on the plea that they were ill-treated and did not obtain sufficient
food. I have taken the depositions of the men, and have also
examined the Master's account of provisions issued, and compared
it with the Captain's Book.

From these books I find that the amount of provisions used
monthly is considerably in excess of the quantity required in the scales
provided for the victualling of the merchant seamen of the United
States. (Vide scale on shipping articles.)

There has been no strict allowance issued to the men on
board the said Bark. The Rule of the Captain has made "full
and plenty" but no waste.

The whole of the men who have complained of short rations
appeared fat and healthy, and do not show the least sign of being
insufficiently fed but rather the contrary.

With reference to the charge of ill-treatment.

From the depositions of the men themselves, this charge cannot
be in the least sustained. It is true that four of the crew have
upon different occasions, been put in Irons for disobedience to the Master
and disobedience of orders, but they were only kept in the Irons
for about two hours.

After a careful review of the evidence, I decided that the
seamen of the said Bark "Greyhound" had not sufficient cause
of complaint to justify them in refusing duty.

I therefore ordered the said seamen to at once proceed
on board ship and return to their duty. This they positively refused to do.
I then issued an order for their arrest and imprisonment.

Given under my hand and
seal of this Consulate this
twenty-eight day of Feb
February one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-three

James B. Coffin
U. S. Consul