

Schooner *Hattie G Smith* EdgastownSunday July 10th

Moderate breeze from SSW or Cruising Westward. Nothing seen at 4 P.M. Changed Bow for Stern Boat lowered to try the Boat &c at 9 P.M. set Trysails Mid & Latter Part Calm some swell from Westward, very warm.

Monday July 11th

Calm hot weather at 3 P.M. light air from NE set Fore Sail saw several fish lowered Sub Boat could not catch him 4 P.M. set Main Sail Steered NW. saw a sail to westward at dark set Trysails Course West Latter part calms & light air saw a ship to the NW

Tuesday July 12th

Light variable air & calms at one P.M. went on Board Ship Reporter of Newbury Port Capt. Ward 22 days from New York bound to San Francisco with Mail Board. Iron got a dozen hocks & tumbles and some News Papers, at dark took in sail & set Fore Trysail. Commet in sight Mid & Latter part Calm I employed Strapping Blocks &c

Wednesday July 13th

Calm. Sub Grampages & small fish crew employed overhauling blocks &c at dark turned up Stern Boat set Trysails Threatning weather made all snug Latter Part light breeze from SE & hauled to SSW. Saw one Sailer Grampages

Thursday July 14th

light variable breeze SSW to WSW all sail out Cruising to Westward at dark set Trysails day light made sail 4:30. saw 3 spots did not see them again steering to the South variously employed opened Reef & Deck Pumped cask water

Benjamin F. Nickerson Master, A.D. 1881.

Friday July 15th

Fresh breeze from WSW vessel heading to the NW all sail at dark took in Top sails Fly jib & Main sail set Main Trysail Mid & latter part fresh breeze raised some rain made a New Mast-hinge for Sub Boat

Saturday July 16th

Fresh breeze WSW, rough sea Steered by the wind to SE & NW. Cruising saw porpoises at Night set Trysails & jib Latter part squally plenty rain saw a Merchant man to SW Broke out cask Bread

Sunday July 17th

Moderate breeze from WSW. All sail out by the wind Cruising South & NW Bark in sight to SW. Worked off one of the Head Pines lost it & nearly lost head Rail all lost, at dark put on the Trysails heading to the NW. Latter part squally rough sea saw a Brig heading to the South, set the Fore sail &c

Monday July 18th

Strong breeze & rain squalls from SW to W. Schooner heading to the NW until 5 P.M. wore to the South took in Fore sail set Trysail took up the Boat & Battered down Matakas rough sea thunder & lightning Latter part standing to NW rather more moderate set Fore sail Capt. Nickerson took out by hand the last remaining Head Pine which was barely hanging on Port Side. We then looked for a Bark (which was also dangling about with one end fast to the head) I was plunged all underwater several times while putting on lashings. Saw one Killer

Tuesday July 19th

Strong breeze from SW heading to NW under Fore sail jib & Trysail at 4 P.M. wore to South Latter part standing WNW took in Head Rail Broke in 3 pieces got out Provisions some rain squalls