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June 20th 1854.

Since the 14th have experienced quite bad with the exception of one calm day and all the time a heavy swell.

It is now moderate. This afternoon spoke the *St. Andrew* again since we last saw her. She has taken two whales which makes about 400 lbs. A good voyage for her.

Lat. 17°40' Lon. 3°10'

June 21.

Frequent squalls of wind and rain have marked this day. I have thought our portion of disagreeable weather had been fully meted out to us. Yet we must make up our minds to much more to come. How convenient and easy it is for folks at home while comfortably situated to talk about the "joys of angling" without hook and bait. Sailed several sails a long distance off. And this afternoon Mutton birds have been round in large numbers. It is said they indicate good whale ground. Lat. 18°02' Lon. 3°10'

June 26.

For the last four days have been lying to under double reefed topsails, spencers and St. Andrew's sail and the sea has been very rough and during the time nothing has been seen.

To day it is a little more moderate so that we shook out reefs but sea is still ugly and choppy. Saw a sail could not make her out. To night while furling the jib one of our fore-

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hands accidentally fell over board. It so happened he was a good swimmer and managed to keep above water till we lowered a boat and pulled to his assistance. He is the 2nd one who has fallen from the same place. In rugged weather this is the worst sail to furl and whoever goes out there ought to keep one hand for himself. Lat 18°00' Lon. 3°27'

June 28.

This day as last 24 hours has been quite moderate and have seen nothing. Sent down repaired and set again our No. 5. Gallant sail. We are gradually working to the eastward and shall probably go in on the Coast of Africa for wood water &c. Lat 18°45' Lon. 2°37' N.

June 29.

Slight changes. Sailed 2 sails supposed to be Merchant men. Lat 18°00' Lon. 2°34'

June 30.

No change Lat 18°02' Lon. 2°28'

July 1.

Most of the day calm and very warm. Lowered to day for sulphur bottom we didn't expect to get near him and were right for we had to give it up as a bad job. They are seldom taken as they are very shy are generally large and look some like the Finback. The *John Davidson* here in sight this morning and has been seen nearly all day. Did not speak her Lat 18°00' Lon. 2°30'