

April 16th 1897

This morning at 9 am took our anchors and put to sea with an entire new crew forward, glad to leave behind the mate Mr. George, wounded & discharged, do not think I shall ever regret it as he has done him self rather a small part of a man. I have shipped Mr. Edmund, B. - telling as mate Mr. Mr. - While standing as we went with the other boat my self & hope for better luck we have a crew of 24 all told, am bound to the shore up off Bermuda, thence, E. to the western ground & Islands in the fall. The brig Rosa Baker Capt. Stinson came in a few days ago, I have having had Mr. G. G. G. G.

April 29th

at sunset to day sighted the West End of Bermuda 15th came to the wind on New York and Martin sail, have had very light weather with variable wind have having barometer with nothing to give us up for what we Blackfish or any thing to keep the spirits alive, good ground, we may see something soon are going North with it I strike the Southern edge of the stream thence of to the westward along its edge take a look at the character ground, thence back to Bermuda for potatoes & cucumbers, better from here have been from the same sound to us from direct out here

May 22nd

Light N.E. & N.E. winds at 4 p.m. sighted Bermuda Island 15th sailing N.E. by the wind working along the land have been over water of what used to be called good whale ground but saw no whales but had another good weather.

May 23rd

Light N.E. winds, airy brig working along the land trying to get in near enough to get a float on shore.

May 24th

Light N.E. winds at 7 a.m. went on shore, landed on S.E. side the Island to a left farmous place of where bought potatoes & cucumbers, he taking me to town in his trap for others. The people this year appear to have overdone the Onion crop to the exclusion of potatoes, which are scarce & are selling at from 5 to 8 per barrel. Onions are very cheap not hardly worth pulling & taking saw in the corner of the main store houses. Crowded, waiting for vessels to load at 4 p.m. got on land and bidden the brig to the E. side.

May 25th

Light air & calm. G. S. K. K. K. in light air 20 miles.

May 26th

Light air & calm, saw black fish landed & showed without success.

May 27th

Light winds, N.E. brig sailing E. by N. picked up a large yellow pine, cut it up for fire wood.

May 28th

Light air & calm

May 29th

Calm picked up a star, 60 feet long, 15 in. square yellow pine cut it up.