

Journal of Bark *Matapoisett*
Bounded to St. Helena

Thursday April 27th 1882

Lat. S. 13.50 The first part of these 24 hours
Long E. 21.36 light air from S.E. at 4 A.M. tested
Ship and steered by the wind on the
Port tack. Middle and latter part
light breeze from S.W. the Bark steering
W. at about 5 P.M. saw a sail off
the leeward steering by the wind on the
Starboard tack

Lat. S. 15.00 Friday April 28th
Long W. 00.04 First part fresh breeze from about S.
the Bark steering W. Middle and
latter part strong breeze steering W. & N.
under Topsails courses etc. so ends

Lat. S. 15.42 Saturday April 29th
Long W. 21.36 These 24 hours strong breeze from
about S.E. the Bark steering W. & W.
and a part of the time W. & N. so ends

Lat. S. 15.42 Sunday April 30th
Long W. 21.36 These 24 hours strong breeze from S.E.
and cloudy weather with some squalls
of rain. At 9.30 A.M. sighted the Island
of St. Helena the Bark steering W. & W. the
Island bearing about S. S. W. by the
Bark to the wind on the Port tack saw a sail
off the Island at about 2 P.M. spoke and
hauled with her the Bark *Stafford* of New
Bedford Capt. King finished hailing about
6 P.M. at night lay off the Island under
reef Topsails and courses etc. and Spunkies

Lat. S. 15.42 Monday May 1st
Long W. 21.36 First part fresh breeze from S.E. steered the Bark
on for the Island at 9.30. the Capt. went on shore
at 12 noon Boat came back hauled her up
and steered off shore by the wind all night
with a strong breeze the Bark under reef
Topsails and courses

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off St. Helena

Thursday May 2nd 1882

These 24 hours strong breeze from
S.E. with squalls of rain the Bark off and
on the Island saw two sails during
the day so ends

Friday May 3rd

These 24 hours strong breeze from S.E. the
Bark off and on the Island at about 3.30.
At 11 A.M. a launch came off with Potatoes, cabbage,
and other small stores and a Boat brought
off two Boat chairs and leaders and
three seamen by name Nicholas, ~~something~~
Antoine Simons, Frank Almeida

Saturday May 4th

These 24 hours strong breeze from S.E.
the Bark off and on the Island until
5.30. at that time Capt. came on board
and two more men which he shipped
for seamen at night steered the
Bark by the wind on the Starboard tack
Names of the two seamen - Charles Wade & James Parley

Sunday May 5th

Lat. S. 15.10 These 24 hours strong breeze from S.E.
to S.E. the Bark steering by the wind
on the Starboard tack Port Topsails
during the day so ends, this day I have
kept James Woodruff all day on deck
and am going to the remainder of the
season, or four or five weeks, excepting
his forenoon watch, which he shall have
when I do this to furnish him for making
an attempt to double the Cape while
laying off and on the Island of
St. Helena