

Lat  
10° 5' S  
Long  
12° 52' E

Today continues to improve. I have made me Burton holes on his suit. This morn we commenced breaking out for water, and found that the casks that had burst at St Catharines were in a bad state. They were filled with salt water and that salt water, and made salt water they had to be taken up on deck and cleaned out. It has taken all day to do it as they were in the ground lies. They have not finished yet, but think they will be done. I have been suffering all day with a severe headache, and the smell of the salt water has made it worse.

Sat 18<sup>th</sup>

Lat  
11° 14' S  
Long  
12° 54' E

This morn the Larboard and Waist boats went in towards the land to look for whales, as the wind was light the boats could go faster than the ship. We are now in sight of land, just below St Paul de Loanda can see the cliffs plainly with a glass. Saw one Humpback from the ship but he was going so fast did not know the boats. The other boats returned from fishing having seen no whales the Larboard caught a large fish and the Waist a Green Turtle. Saw two fishing schooners come to anchor, and a long distance up the coast can see two large vessels at anchor. Were it not so late we ran up to them but it is almost dark so will lay off and on until morning, then we will go up to them. The Larboard boat is now having to set Lugs and Lamp boats complete.

Sun 19<sup>th</sup>

Lat  
8° 30' S  
Long  
12° 55' E

This morn expected to see land near but there is a very strong current setting to the N.W. so we were out of sight of land, and have had no wind until this clock this afternoon, are now working toward the shore, and can see it from deck about ten miles distant if we can get near enough before dark. Shall anchor. Have had the fish cooked it was very nice. The Turtle has not yet been seen.

June 1870

Monday 20<sup>th</sup>

Lat  
8° 50' S  
Long  
13° 10' E

When morning dawned we were miles from land. With very little seen working in shore, to the north, about five o'clock dropped anchor outside the harbor of St Paul de Loanda. Capt will go to the city in the morning to try to get some news. The place looks very pleasant from here. There is quite a large fleet of vessels and steamers lying in the harbor. This morn, several the Larboard and Waist boats, they have been cruising all day and have seen no whales nor have they caught any fish. There is a great many canoes lying along shore fishing. Capt called one alongside and bought three large fish of them. That we had chowder for supper, for all hands, they were very nice. Mr Holmes bought two from another canoe that we shall have for breakfast. I have washed some clothes for Sheddle and made a job on my machine for the Waist Boat. I was just quite tired. The natives were very black and naked with the exception of a strip of cloth tied around the waist that hung about to their knees. There was only one that had anything on their head. That was a rag, awny like a turban.

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>

This morn Capt started in the Waist boat with Mr Taylor, Mr Sturges and a pocket crew, to go ashore, but had got only a short distance when he met a shore boat, that ordered him back. The boat came alongside, and informed Capt, though the Capt said that they would allow no one from the ship to go ashore unless the ship was anchored in the inner harbor, and that he could have no men without entering and clearing his ship and as there was no certainty of getting men, we concluded to leave up anchor and leave, and are now steering N. by W. with about five o'clock tonight saw a spot that proved to be a Humpback. I have washed and mended my clothes, and cut a suit