

Friday Feb. 12th 1869

Strong breeze from S.W. and fine weather employed in putting oil on board schooner George Brown. The mate ^{is} unable to attend to duty today - is bad with the Siberian tremor. None of the five absences get returning to the ship. Some of the crew in almost a mutinous state the Steward and three boatsteerers Heavy Snow - Heber Delano and Elisha Williams being on shore and away from their duty more than ^{or about} one half of the time. The Steward threatened to make all the trouble he can for me unless discharged from the ship - at 2 P.M. the mate went on shore again - he not being able to do anything but very troublesome and in the way - Steward absent from the ship nearly all day. Snow and Delano left the ship again without leave at 3¹/₂ P.M. finished discharging oil. Took on board 4 casks of coal and 4 Bbls of sand. hauled the ship off from the dock into the stream and anchored with barbed anchor in 5 fathoms of water and a scope of 25 fathoms of chain. The amount of oil shipped 56 casks equal to 384 Bbls. Steward returned on board at 3 P.M.

Saturday Feb. 13th 1869

All day fine weather - ship lying in the stream. The crew remaining on board employed in various duties about ship - no report of the five deserters yet. Snow and Delano returned on board between 10 and 11 A.M. being absent since 3¹/₂ yesterday P.M. - Cook still on shore on the Dr's hands.

Sunday Feb. 14th 1869

Slight baffling airs from the S and the S.E. and hazy weather - a portion of the crew had the privilege of going on shore for a run. The mate still absent from the ship - at 5 P.M. the mate came on board at 11 P.M. all on board but the mate and Cook and the 5 deserters nothing having been heard from them as yet.