

1895 Journal of the Whaling Bark President

354 Friday April 5

This day comes in with a strong breeze and squally from the East. Nothing in sight. At sundown hauled the fore wind and shortened sail. Middle port the same. Latter part still a strong breeze and rugged. Made all sail and steered off W by N.

355 Saturday April 6. Bound for Port

This day comes in with strong breezes and squally from the East. Steering W by N. with all sail set. Saw 3 merchant vessels. Middle port the same. Latter part still a strong breeze steering W by N with all sail set. Watch set up the fore stay.

356 Sunday April 7

This day quite good weather steering W by N. with all sail set. Watch set up the main topmast rigging and sent down the fore top gallant sail and repaired it and sent it up again. Nothing in sight. Middle port the same. Latter still a strong breeze at day light saw the Whaling Bark Retel and after breakfast had a game and Capt Regal came on board of us and I went on board of the Retel.

John P. Praro. Master

357 Monday April 8

This day still a strong breeze left off gaming about three o'clock and made sail and steered off W by N with all sail set. Middle port the same. Latter part quite good weather still steering W by N.

358 Tuesday April 9

This day comes in with a moderate breeze from the East. Steering W by N. with all sail set. Watch set up the fore top mast rigging and tared the lower main rigging and set up the jib gies. Nothing in sight. Middle port the same. Latter part strong breeze and squally.

359 Wednesday April 10

This day comes in with strong breezes and rain squalls from the East. Steering W by N. bound to Barbados. Watch set up one of the Bob stays and other ship duty. Nothing in sight. Middle port the same. Latter part strong breeze and rugged steering the same. Watch broke out water and busy taring down.

360 Thursday April 11

This day strong breeze and rugged from the East steering W by N with all sail set. Watch busy taring down. Nothing in sight. Middle port the same. Latter part still strong breeze and rugged steering the same.