

1830 Sp^t Brig Barbarita at Anchor

Sunday May 9th Warm pleasant weather and gentle breezes. At 4 P.M. a canoe came alongside bringing Edward Fernandez who dispatched the canoe with some articles & remained on board the night. It is nearly eight years since I have seen him, and altho somewhat altered by manhood, I recognized him before coming on board. Made ourselves quite agreeable in recounting times gone by, and the friends we have left in another quarter of the globe.

Monday 10 Winds and weather the same as yesterday. At 8 A.M. two canoes came off and were dispatched with goods for shore. They brought off some hogs, fowls and corn.

At 9 A.M. Edward Fernandez returned to the shore to proceed back to Whidah having completed the object of his visit. At night thick clouds and small rains.

Tuesday 11 Pleasant weather with flying clouds and some squalls of rain from squally at night.

Wednesday 12 Cloudy weather and a light tornado in the forenoon. The sun out at intervals the latter part of the day.

Thursday 13 Continues cloudy and at 3 A.M. experienced a heavy tornado of 4 hours duration, accompanied with thunder, lightning, and rain. Afterward cleared off pleasant & a fresh breeze which continued through the day. At 3 P.M. a canoe came alongside bringing 6 Pigs and three dozen fowls. At night thick clouds and rain.

Friday 14 Commences with rain. After daylight cleared away and remained beautiful weather and a clear salubrious atmosphere. A fresh breeze from S.W.

Saturday 15 Continues fair weather, and refreshing breezes in the latter part of the day. The Spanish Schooner Manuelita from Whidah yesterday, anchored a little distance in shore of us at 3 P.M. Some of her officers came on board.

Sunday 16 Gentle breezes and pleasant weather. At 3 P.M. the English Brig that lay off Cape Coast when we were there passed us and at 4 P.M. anchored at Agaja, 3 leagues East of us. A canoe came alongside to know if we wanted any thing from shore.

off Little Topo. Coast of Africa.

Monday May 17th A clear sky and fair weather the first part of the day with calms. At 5 P.M. had a tornado attended with considerable rain. Wind from E.S.E. to South.

Tuesday 18 Fine weather and a clear atmosphere. At 10 A.M. the Manuelita weighed anchor and made sail up the coast having a fair wind and no current.

Wednesday 19 Fair weather and a clear sky. A number of Dolphins playing around us, and the crew caught ten or a dozen.

Thursday 20 Fine pleasant weather and refreshing breezes. At 8 A.M. a canoe came alongside with communications from Mr. Edward Fernandez, who informs that Capt. Felix is sick. Received on board 2 Bags Corn and a note from Mr. George S. Lawson, a colored man, the agent for supplies on shore.

Friday 21 Gentle breezes from the South and pleasant weather. A Brig under Brazilian Colors passed us at 5 P.M. standing along the coast to the Eastward. Did not speak with her.

Saturday 22 Strong breezes and pleasant weather. The English Brig Maria of London anchored half a mile East of us at 3 P.M. During the night stormy with heavy rains.

Sunday 23 Pleasant weather and small breezes. Since the time we anchored here, the state of the weather has been generally very mild and temperate, and I should judge that a Fahrenheit Therm. etc. would range between 75° and 80°.

Monday 24 The first part of the day the breezes and pleasant weather. After 1 P.M. cloudy. The day ends with rain.

Tuesday 25 Commence rain weather, with strong gale, with thunder, lightning, and deluging rain, which continued until 4 P.M. when it cleared off pleasant, with a South westerly breeze. At dusk saw 2 Sail to the Westward.

Wednesday 26 First part fair weather. At 8 A.M. was boarded by a Lieutenant from H.B.M. Sloop of war Primrose who audited the Brigs Papers and called all hands to answer to the Muster Roll. Did not introduce myself as I was busy at work, sewing, in the cabin. He also boarded the Brig Maria & from thence, returned to his Ship and stood to the Eastward.