

Ship St Peter Sunday June 8th 1841. A moderate wind from P.E. steering S. by E. in sight of the island in sight off deck on the weather beam. Bunting to windward is in fashion two days. To day stood under topsail topsail and courses. Monday June 9th. Strong breeze from S.E. till 10 A.M. when it fell to a light breeze. At 11 A.M. made Roaches island from the N.E. Powdered starboard and pulled ashore with the captain and mate. The island is low and sandy and is covered with low bushes excepting some quantities on the N.W. end. The island abounds in food for catching turtle which are found here in considerable numbers. The island is about 5 miles long and on the P.E. side a reef extends the whole length and 3 or 4 miles out to sea over which the surf beats with great violence. Having shot a small number of hens we pulled off at sunset for the ship which was 8 miles to windward. We pulled just under the edge of the reef for 4 miles before we could lay our course for the ship and then 6 miles to windward getting aboard about 9 Evening Good bye Roaches. Tuesday June 10th. Light and variable winds steering southerly. In the afternoon the weather came on being double reefed fore and main topsails. Went in the jib and sheathed it with blue drilling. All hands were to work in the forenoon. The starboard watch were called by the mate because they turned out and caught a porpoise. The wind moderate from P.E. steering S.W. Weather pleasant till 4 P.M. when it came on squally. Double reefed fore and main topsails at 6 P.M. Wednesday June 11th. Lightly with strong and variable winds. Cleared to westerly till 9 A.M. when we made Alphonso island and kept off going around the north end. Came to the anchor at 11 on the starboard tack and double reefed topsails. At 3 P.M. lowered the larboard & waisted boats and went ashore on a small sandy island for eggs but finding none we went cruising for turtle. Saw a plenty but they were too wild and we got none. Went aboard at 5 P.M. and made sail. Thursday June 12th. From Alphonso to Santa. Unsteady winds with hard squalls starting to westerly under double reef and courses. Broke out beef and pork, killed the large hog & took in the mainsail at 3 P.M. and spanker. Friday June 13th. From Alphonso to Santa. Rugged and squally, standing along to westerly under double reef and courses. In the evening it puffed so hard that we took in jib and spanker. The ship pitches into the sea beautifully. Saturday June 14th. From Alphonso to Santa. The weather moderated a little. Set jib and spanker and turned reef out of the main topsail. The wind continued to blow strong from P.E. during the day but the weather came on fine. Sunday June 15th. Pleasant gales and fine weather steering P.P.W. on the wind under double reefed fore and main topsails single do main do courses spanker and jib. Tacked and stood East sunset Tackled again. Monday June 16th. The wind fell during the night to a moderate breeze. At 8 A.M. turned reef out of fore and main topsails set main topsail and flying jib steering S.P.W. The wind at 3 P.M. fell to almost a calm but at sunset it arose to a stiff breeze. Took in flying jib. A quick short nasty hard heat sea running.

Ship St Peter Wednesday June 18th 1841. At 8 in the morning tacked ship standing S.P.W. The wind blowing a stiff breeze as much as we could stagger under with whole topsails. Took in main topsail after it had nearly blown away. At 10 P.M. single reefed fore and main topsails. In the afternoon the wind fell to a calm, slowed down every thing at sunset but a light breeze springing up at 8 set spanker and jib to steady her as she was pitching heavy in a short dirty sail. Thursday June 19th. In the morning there was a light breeze from P. made all sail but main topsail and topsail and sailing close hauled S.P.E. Went down the main topsail and mended it. During the forenoon the wind freshened to a strong breeze. We are now beating up to John de Necca where we are going to get turtle eggs &c. Went to sail at 10 past 4 P.M. and soon new main topsail halliards. At sunset it fell calm but in the evening took a heavy squall. Double reefed topsail and flying jib after that calm. Friday June 20th. Light wind and fine weather. Steering West with a variable wind. All noon when we tacked and stood close hauled to easterly under all sail. Tackled new flying jib downhaul and took the downhaul for main topsail. Halliards made shorter and fixed the forge &c. Saturday June 21st. Moderate but variable winds from southward and eastward steering so westerly. Weather cloudy but without rain. Expect to sight Johanna. Sunday June 22nd. Lighted Johanna at day break a point 1/2 on the lee bow 16 miles distant. Lay a course till 1 with a moderate breeze from P. At 11 A.M. when about 15 miles off shore took several large hard squalls and was obliged to take in topsail and double reefed topsails but after we passed the point the wind fell calm and all sail was made. At 4 P.M. got the boat out and towed her to her anchorage. Had it not been for the bloody Arab pilots we should have got a berth without trouble but they were jabbering and bawling enough to puzzle a dozen men. However we dropped anchor about 6 o'clock in 34 fathoms of water paying out 66 fathoms of chain. Found the Ship Wm Lee here and Barque Marcella Costa Winslow 200 Tons 13 men out. Drove Capt. Forsyth to west 800 yds. Globe Costa 11 men out 600 yds. They lowered a boat upriver and helped tow us in. The natives came aboard in large numbers before we dropped anchor even with fruit. Monday June 23rd. At 8 A.M. the larboard watch went ashore. Aboard painted jib and flying jib boom and bowsprit. At 3 P.M. helped tow out the Dove. She is homeward bound. The Wm Lee got under way at 4 also bound home. I was gaming nearly all day. Tuesday June 24th. Larboard watch ashore. At 6 P.M. the Globe got under way bound on a cruise. Got off a raft of water & took off a part of a load of Sara. Wednesday June 25th. Larboard watch ashore. Took off 16 lbs of Tark. I had the honor to help pull the King off and pull him ashore again. He came to beg harbor duties for which he demanded \$15.00 which the capt. paid in white cotton cloth at \$3.00 per piece. Thursday June 26th. Took off a few barrels of Tark a few cocoa nuts and some bananas. At 1 P.M. the Barque Marcella got under way and stood out to sea with a light breeze bound on a cruise. We expected to go to sea to day but we could not get all our recruits aboard for the natives did not fetch them down from the mountains. Got out tobacco from the land at 6 P.M.