

- front. At sunset we braced forward, steering N. N. W., bound for Strong's island. Lat. 19° 16' S., long. 167° 15' E.
- 9th Fresh breeze. Fine weather. Course = N. N. W. Scrubbed the sail, bulwarks and paint work with lye. Scraped and slawhed fore & main topmast and topgallant masts. Lat. 1.20 N. long. Rained a little during the night.
- 10th Cloudy. Light wind. Scrubbed the decks with sand and lye. Scraped mizzen topmast and topgallant mast. Squalls and rain during the afternoon and night. 7 P. M. set half watches. Lat. 3.28 N. long.
- 11th Squally. 11 P. M. a heavy squall struck us, splitting the fore topsail, parting jib halcyards, and leaving a couple of large eyes in the main topsail. After dinner we repaired the damage, and our course was altered a number of times during the afternoon and evening.
- 12th Light wind - fine weather. W. N. W. & N. by N. At 2 P. M. Strong's island was raised two points off the lee bow, full 50 miles off. Lat. 4.56 N. long. A calm set in about 2 P. M.
- 13th Light wind, beautiful weather. At sunrise the island lay a point on our lee bow all in plain sight. After breakfast we got up the chains and bent them to the anchors. Heavy squalls during the night.
- 14th Head wind. We are trying hard to beat to wind-

ward, but do not make much headway, and shall not probably get in till the wind hauls. 11 A. M. raised a sail three points forward of our weather beam, standing off from the land; probably a whaler on bound for a cruise. Wet hold.

- 15th Cloudy. Sunrise Strong's island 4 points off our weather bow, 15 miles off. A light fair wind towards night.

- 16th Sunrise, close in to the land. 8 A. M. calm. Lowered starboard boat to take the captain ashore. When they arrived at the entrance of the harbor they met the captain of the ship Louisiana, of N. H. and the pilot coming off to the ship. As soon as they boarded us we lowered all our boats, and together with two from the Louisiana, and two from the island, making seven in all, we towed her into the harbor and dropped our anchor in seven fathoms of water, about a dozen ship's lengths from the shore. We had not got our sails fueled before the missionary, the Rev. Mr. Snow, came aboard to learn the news, such as we had. In the evening some of us took a boat and went aboard of the Louisiana, and enjoyed a few songs. There