

Stabius Island Aug 3rd 1853

Tues 3rd this day commenced with a strong breeze at 7 AM. before we shoved off. cruised up to Geanette point but saw nothing. put up two iron bands instead of the gun gun. the last time day. Mr. [?] went in my boat and Mr. Jackson in the other.

Mon 4th this day commenced with a strong breeze and cloudy weather and a smooth sea. at 10 AM. shot a whipsack whale. got him along side of the beach at 12. at low water. cut out him in. this morning the Eliza Adams hove up and went out standing towards fog island. two ships in sight to day

Thurs 6th this day commenced with a strong breeze and quite a steady rain. at 11 AM. raised the foreheads shoved of the two boats and chased the several hours. but I think that they must have been galled before we raised them by some of the other boats. each officer taking his own boat. the wind from the north and eastward. the latter part wind more light. but steady rain. two sails in sight to day

Fry 7th this day commenced with a strong breeze and steady rain and continued so most of the day. one ship in sight at 10 AM. of Geanette point. for supper. for night we had clare fish (kind of a lobster) mussels and clams the latter part of this more moderate

Sat 8th this day commenced with a strong breeze the fore part accompanied with rain. a soft steady breeze of the boats. raised the sail and working

Dear Shipmate I have just received your letter this moment. and was very glad to hear from you. I am glad to hear that you have a chance to ship again. there has been all sorts of a time since you left.

up to Friday Town. but saw nothing on our way. three ships in sight one at anchor and two at 10 AM. shot a whipsack whale. got him along side of the beach at 12. at low water. cut out him in. this morning the Eliza Adams hove up and went out standing towards fog island. two ships in sight to day

Mon 9th this day moderate. went up to Geanette point but saw nothing. the Carpenter employed to day in bits much like the first more windy and

Thurs 12th this day commenced with heavy rain and steady rain. a very high tide this morning and a considerable surf on the beach. at low water went clamming. as the tide set out very low as to have the boats high and dry. middle and latter part much like the first wind from the Southward and eastward

Fry 13th this day commenced with a strong breeze and steady rain. one ship to anchor to the westward of the island. wind from the Southward and eastward. weather very disagreeable. the latter part of the day much like the first