

Journal at Sea November 17th 1843
on the Line

Friday fair weather and strong breezes steering S.W.
nothing in sight this day nothing of notice
Saturday fair weather and light breezes steering S.W.
there was a large bone shark came close to the ship
this is a very large fish as big as a grampus and
looks something like a small whale nothing in sight
this day

20th Sunday fair weather and light breezes steering S.W. nothing in
sight this day

Monday fair weather and light breezes steering S.W.
at night shortened sail and hove the main top sail
to the mast and laid to till morning

Tuesday fair weather and light breezes steering N.W.
about 11 o'clock made Jarvis island a small sandy isle
about 1/2 mile long some boat went shore to fish
but only caught 1/2 of a dozen the sharks took
all our hooks so that we had to go aboard the ship
again at about 3 o'clock reached the ship and hauled
her close on the wind leaving the island on our
weather quarter and was out of sight of it before
night

Wednesday fair weather and fresh breezes steering N.W.
nothing in sight except porpoises and a sail

Thursday fair weather and fresh breezes steering N.W.
in the afternoon made the island called Fanning's
island lay on and off all night

Friday two boats went ashore to get coconuts
and to catch fish got two boat loads of coconuts
and brought them to the ship then went
to fishing but only caught a few

There was two white men and between 20 and 30
society islanders living there as they came
from statyite to make coconut oil they live
chiefly on coconuts and fish they are waiting
it vessel to come from statyite to take them
home there time was out about a month

at night we stood off the land steering S.W.
Saturday fair weather and light breezes steering
S.W. nothing in sight this day

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26 Sunday fair weather and fresh breezes steering S.
in the afternoon raised sail ahead standing
towards us and at night we spoke her she proved
to be the Edward Cary of Nantucket 25 months
out 1100 ball sperm at night we shortened sail

27 Monday fair weather and fresh breezes steering S.
the Edward Cary in sight of our weather
beam at night gammed with her nothing
in sight

28 Tuesday fair weather and strong breezes steering
S. the E. Cary in sight on our weather beam
nothing in sight this day

29 Wednesday fair weather and fresh breezes steering
N.W. the E. Cary on our weather beam at night she
run down close to us nothing in sight this
day

30th Thursday fair weather and fresh breezes steering
N.W. in the forenoon ran at diamond or
devilfish the E. Cary on our lee beam
we gammed with at night nothing else in
sight this day

1st Friday fair weather and light breezes steering
N.W. the E. Cary on our lee quarter in the afternoon
there was two or three squalls of rain nothing in sight
this day

2d Saturday fair weather and light breezes steering S.W.
the E. Cary on our lee quarter nothing in sight this day

3d Sunday fair weather and light breezes steering
S.W. saw white water to leeward but could
not make out what it was the E. Cary
in sight

4th Monday fair weather and light breezes steering
S.W. the E. Cary in sight but nothing else

5th Tuesday fair weather and light breezes steering
S.W. we are now keeping company with
the E. Cary we gammed with her at night
nothing in sight

6th Wednesday fair weather and light breezes steering
S.W. the E. Cary on our weather beam at 12 o'clock
raised sail to leeward and ran down to
our capt and the capt of the E. Cary went
board of her she proved to be the Edward
of fair haven 25 months out 500 ball sperm