

Journal,
Friday 21st April 1843

Clear pleasant weather and moderate breezes
got three meals to day such as it was and a very
scanty allowance to pass this day away very dull
having nothing to read but I take my swim
to drive away the time

Saturday 22 April

This proves a beautiful day indeed and I
find a great amusement watching the passing
ships bound down towards the N.W. and all
striving hard to see which is the fastest sailer
got three meals to day of a chicken which a hun-
gry child could have ate at one meal and the
tarr half boiled however I made out on Bee

Sunday 23 April

Another beautiful day and a number
of ships off the harbour one the Peruvian of
Saint John the Capt. paid me a visit and
several of the men which was very kind of
them considering how I was situated got
vituals three times to day but I would have
ate it all at one meal if they had gave it to me
it was so small an allowance

Monday 24 April

Beautiful weather several of the crew of
the peruvian visited me to day and the second
and third mates and the sailing master gave me
a few books the second mate my old friend Mr. Fitzgerald
brought me some bread and a bottle of oil which was
a great treat indeed as it is not very comfortable
to pass all the nights in total darkness and he passed
the whole day with me which kindness I never can
forgett he led me to understand that all the Saint John
ships are in a bad state this season with their crews

Journal,
Tuesday 25th April 1843

Beautiful weather and light airs from
the North Eight ships of this harbour to day all
in want of men four prisoners received in to the
port to day from a ship having slowed away in her
got two meals to day one at seven in the morning
and the other at seven at eight rather long
fasting I think my friend Fitzgerald visited me to
day and sailed in the afternoon for the North
West coast after paying off one quarrelsome fellow
who would have ruined a good ships company
I was also visited by Mr. Ladd the merchant and
got four dollars in cash from him to by small articles
which I was very much in need of

Wednesday 26th April

Beautiful clear weather and light breezes
from the North a ship came to anchor off the
harbour with a signal of distress flying when
a launch from the man of war went off to her
to render assistance if required and other boats
It proved to be a ship called the South Boston
the Steward tried to kill the Capt. with an axe
and also the mate and then leaped overboard and
was drowned the Capt. came on shore very much cut

Thursday 27 April

Clear pleasant weather and a fresh breeze
from the N.E. several ships off the harbour to day
got two meals to day and a very scanty allowan-
ce in dede pass away the time reading and
take my regular swim to day several french men
put in the port to day for some disturbance