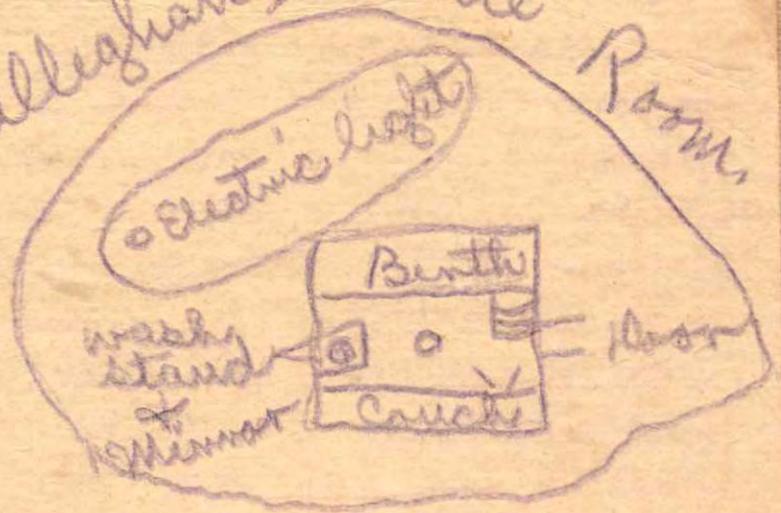


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DAY BOOK

U.S.

Alleghany State Room



1903

Trip to Cartagena, Colombia, S. A.

11th. Leave Xenia, Ohio. Feb 11th. = 11-35 A.M.
 12th. Arrive New York. Feb. 12th. 7.30 A.M.
 Stopped at Earlington Hotel 27th + 6th Ave.
 Leave New York on Hamburg-American
 Line Steamer "Aegleauy" Atlas Line.
 14th Saturday 12 Noon 14th
 Arrives - The steamer is a Fair Boat &
 we have 52 Cabin Passengers & a very
 nice party all told and I have had dinner
 & supper and it is now 9 P.M. and the water
 so far has been as smooth as a Mill
 Pond with no roll or pitch. The steamer
 is a great boat & the last trip she brought
 up 45,000 bunches of Bananas all loaded in
 one day from 5.30 am to 9 P.M. in Coolish
 I have a very good out side state Room
 No. 6. it is 7ft long, 10ft wide & 7ft High.
 with upper & lower berths I have the
 lower berth & Mr. Bueggerman the upper
 & a very nice appearing fellow. Mr. & Mrs.
 Goddard are directly opposite on the
 other side we have been following
 the shore all the afternoon & this
 evening we can see light houses all
 the time up to 9 P.M. that is when I
 am writing & then I am going to bed.
 at midnight we will be just opposite X.
 we have very good Club Breakfast in 3
 Courses, the Lunch in 4 courses, Dinner in
 6 Courses, Deck Lunch at 11 A.M.
 Coffee at any time Breakfast 7 A.M.
 Lunch at 1 P.M. Dinner at 6 P.M.
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There is only one kind of church here the Roman Catholic in Colombia.

Sunday.

Feb. 15th

277 miles.

Lat. 36-10 Longt. 73+58
 This Morning very nice but getting rough with a head wind & sea
 I started out to see the ship this A.M. & when I was going up the Fore cable ladder a big sea came over the bow & I got it good then I went to the Fire Room & it was hot enough there for three Canns. 200 lbs pressure on the boilers. 2 Boilers, 6 Fire doors.
 We entered the Gulf Stream at 10 A.M. & left it at 6 P.M. & she has been a Terror all day shipping seas & pitching all at dinner the 14th some sick last night, more sick at dinner today & the tables getting thinner all the time but they set a fine meal. & I cant get enough to eat Mr & Mrs. G. take turns at being sick
 The steaming gear blew a packing out at 8 30 P.M. & they had to slow down but get it fixed & gone in about 20 minutes when it let go & the steam came out on deck it stined the passengers up a little. we have a lady on board who lived in waynesville, O. before she was married a Mrs. Mills her name was Miss Haal.
 Saw one vessel away off this A.M. & none all day.

Monday

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Feb. 16th.

257 miles.
534 "

Lat. 31-53 Longt. 73^Δ46
we had a pretty rough night & this morning not better & all day getting rougher. we passed the steamer "Adirondack" this morning at 7 a.m. & I suppose she will report us when she gets to New York. The number is getting smaller each time at meal time but I am still there & eat all I can get. The food is very good & all kinds of fruit & they give a Beef Tea, Lunch at 11 a.m. I am writing this in the social room & she is running into a head sea & wind & nobody can go on deck. Our Officers are all German and very nice fellows. Capt. Haase is around with the Passengers all the time. At noon today we were opposite Charleston, S. C. such a heavy & head sea we do not get but 10 miles an hour on the log. The children are pretty nearly all sick today. Mr. & Mrs. G. are better today. I am writing this at 10 P.M. & it is pretty hard to sit at the table there are only 4 or 5 passengers up. It has been raining off & on all day but has cleared off tonight & the stars are out, & very rough.

Tuesday

Feb 17th

211 Miles
745 "

Lat. 28-22 Longt. 74-2
 we had a very rough night with head sea & wind & nobody on deck before 10 A.M. but getting better all day so tonight the wind is on our starboard beam and we are going along at a good clip. we were 30 short at dinner yesterday & 20 today but most of them eat their meals & then run to the rail & through it overboard again we had such a heavy sea last night that some hours we only made 6 & 7 knots & it was a terror to stay in our bunks. we are about opposite the Northern Bahamas tonight & about 12 hours late so the Capt. says we can get anything to eat or drink & fruit also either on deck or in State Room or in dining Room any time we want it day or night & no charge for it except wines &c. we have a 4 leg Passenger on the Main deck a great big Mule & he is sea sick & the big seas come over him often. he has the largest ears I ever saw on a Mule. This is 9.15 P.M. I am writing in the Port Social Hall.

wednesday.

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Feb. 18th.

284 Miles.
1029 "

Lat. 23-28. Longt. 74-21.
We had a very nice night & today there were only 2 short at dinner. There was a steamer passed us on our Port side this A.M. & at 9 A.M. we were running along side of the Island that Columbus discovered San Salvador & could see the light house, & at 3 P.M. we sighted the light house on the North end of Fortune Islands & at 5 P.M. we ran up to within 1/2 mile of the beach & a big boat came off from shore with 22 men & we took them on board & they stay with the steamer & do all the loading & unloading for 50 cts. per day & their board & on the return trip they are paid off & dropped off as the steamer goes home. We are in sight of light houses all the time they belong to England, & these 22 colored men talk English & I was talking to them & they were singing & dancing & having a great time all the evening. We are beginning to see lots of flying fish. I wrote a postal to Mary, Rich, & Helen & sent letter also to Sue & Mr. Garfield. The mail is sent ashore at the Fortune Islands & the next Co.'s steamer that comes by Friday takes them to New York & they are mailed there, 9:45 P.M.

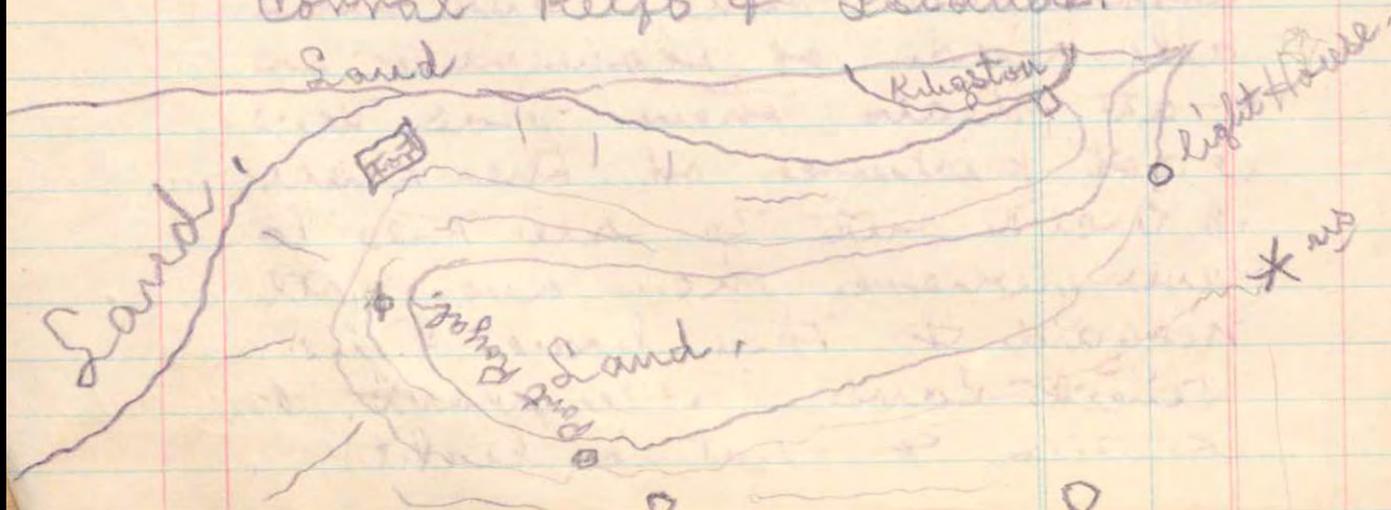
9:50 P.M. just passed a big Passy steamer North bound all lighted up.

Thursday

Feb. 19th.

278 Miles

Lat. 19-14 Long. 74~~5~~-46.
 we had a very nice smooth night
 & when I came on deck in the morning
 we were right along side of the east
 end of Cuba about 1/2 mile off the
 land & could see the people & high
 lands plain & we followed the
 land for 2 hours & then were out
 of sight of land again until 3 P.M.
 when we sighted Haiti for a short
 time & we have had a steamer
 on our Port Beam all day & at
 about 7 P.M. a big Boston
 Passenger Boat passed us & we
 saw signals & at 9 P.M. we saw
 a Red Flash ahead & we knew
 our Jamaica Pilot was after us
 & in about one hour we took
 him on board & then away we
 went. we sighted Jamaica
 Flash light House & rounded the
 Point & came to Anchor off
 of Port Royal at midnight for
 it is a bad harbor to get up
 to Kingston about 20 miles
 around the Channel & lots of
 Coral Reefs & Islands.



Friday,

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Feb. 20th,

Fine day came on week & such a sight I never saw before the low lands of the long strip that Port Royal is on & then the long zig zag way of getting our steamer into Kingston as seen on page 6, & then not $\frac{1}{2}$ mile back of Kingston the Blue Mountains start out in 5 Ranges 1st low, 2d a little higher & so on & the Main Range looks as though you could reach out your hand & touch them and are 7000 ft high & you can see the rocks & Trees clear up to the clouds, I bought a book of views of the Island & we got up to the wharf at 8 A.M. Then Mr. & Mrs. G. told me to get my camera & come along with them & I went up to The Myrtle Bank Hotel & when we got there it was fine the big Court yard in front of the Hotel had Royal Palm, & Cocoa Nut palms & all kinds of flowers & I never saw any thing so fine & the near of the house the Gardens ran out to the Ocean about 1000 ft & Cocoa Nut Palms every where & all kinds of flowers & fountains & at meals there was music & I got pictures of the place & then I went out to see the town & everywhere there are nothing but Niggers & they have fine Electric Street Cars. Ice plant, Paved Streets, & Electric light.

Saturday

February 21st,

This AM I waked up in a bed on land at the Hotel & I had a good nights sleep without being waked & then I went down to the Market and all the vegetables & fruit are brought in on the heads of women & it is a sight hundreds of women with big baskets on their heads & the Market house about as large as the Court House square of Snow with Roof & no sides all kinds of fruits & nuts & baskets. The city is well paved & Cement Curbs & Gutter every where all over the city. The Island belongs to England. Good Fire department & Wharves I got a book of views of the Island. The Barracks are up on one of the Mountains 4000 ft. high. The Locomotives are about 7 ft high & the Engineer looks as big as his Machine. & The Cars are all 4 wheel Cars. The U. S. S. Topika is here in port also & there was a fine big Am. yacht here. we went on board our boat at 10 A. M. but she did not leave until 5.30 P. M. Mr. & Mrs. Mills left us here but promised to go to see us dear ones at home in May or June.

Sunday.

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February 22d. 187 - Miles.

Sat. 14-54 Soudt. 75-58

Had a very rough night & when I came on deck this a.m. it was very bad we were running ahead with strong trade winds & I went up on the bridge with the Capt. and he showed me all around through the wheel house & Chart Room & his own private stateroom & showed me all the tubes, compasses & all their was to be seen. Our Passenger list is quite small for we left 30 passengers at Kingston & only took on 7 so the tables have all got vacant chairs & tonight at dinner they filled up 8 tables & did not set the 6th. It has been terrible rough all day & we are rolling so bad tonight that I can hardly sit at the table & write this daily Report but I must for I know they will like to read them when I get home. we will expect to see South America at 7 a.m. tomorrow & will be at Savanilla by 8 a.m. & will be there for one day & perhaps two.

Monday.

February 23 d. Miles.

This Morning turned out fine but very high sea & we could not go on deck until after we had sighted land & that was S. A. at last & we went in around an Island to the Pier which is one mile long out from shore made of Iron & there was a Colombian Man-of-war on one side & us on the other. The name of the Man-of-war was "Cartagena" & it was the dirtiest thing I ever saw she was so dirty to get a picture of. The Passenger Mr. Porter of Cambridge, Mass. is going write up Colombia for the Boston Herald. & is the author of "Thou shalt Not" his name on books is Albert Ross. Mr. Randal, Mr. Porter & myself went out for a walk up to the town & the houses are made of Mud sides & Thatched roofs or made out of Palm leaves & all the children up to ten years old do not wear a stitch of clothing not a thing & they all speak Spanish one man came out of a crowd & walked up to me & said Hello Yankee & he was an Am. & we talked to him some time then we walked about a mile further to a Cocoa Nut Palm grove & they got us some

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Tuesday
23rd + 24th

and we got some spoons & eat the whole inside out it all being very soft & mushy & then we came back by the beach to the Pier & we watched the Pelekins dive down in the water & come up with a fish they are about as large as a good sized Goose & have a long bill about 12 in. with a pouch underneath we will leave here some time Tuesday and arrive in Cartagena where we get off the boat on Wednesday. The Capt. told me that this has been the roughest trip that he has had in two years & he makes a round trip in 2 days less than a month or very near 13 Round trips a year. The train that came in from was the sight of the day the cars were about as long as the Traction Cars at home & set down close to the track & places for windows but no glass & great big platforms & nothing over the platforms & link & pin couplers & no brakes on them & there are very few cars that have brakes & the engines are about 7 ft high with no Tank & only 4 driving wheels under them &

23rd. & 24th.

no Bell & The smoke stack
is not as high as the Cab by
a foot. I went up town again
today with The Captain & we saw
a young Tiger that they caught
and killed the Mother.

Feb. 25th.

Here I am in Cartagena & it is the
oldest City I ever saw. we had
the worst night we have had on
the whole voyage. Rolled so bad
that our Trunks on the floor
went from side to side & we
could not sleep for the noise
& when we came on deck at
6 A.M. it was all right &
smooth & we were opposite
C. but had to go 20 miles
down the coast to get to the
entrance of the harbor & it
is the finest Bay or Harbor I
ever saw & the City has a
high wall all around it that
is 60 ft through at the base &
20 ft outtop & the top is just
covered with Sizzards from 6 in
to 18 in long & they can run
like the wind Mr. & Mrs.
Randall came up to the Hotel
Americano with us & then I
went down to the boat &
saw the steamer of Mr & Mrs
R. & the bal. of the party
go away on the steamer
at 4 P.M. I went around.

Wednesday
Feb 25th

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I met Roberto Gleason & Mr. Neusticker & the Clerk & saw his place & Mr. D. took me up & got me a Ticket to the Spanish-American Club & I can go there any time I want to. The City is very old & the streets about 20 ft wide & the sidewalks about 3 ft & the walls of the buildings about 3 ft thick. They on the houses all look like ports to go into them & every house has a large Court yard in the center of Palms & Fruits & plants in the Court yard there is not a vacant lot inside the City walls. There are Parrots & Monkeys every where & every body speaks Spanish but I have run across quite a number that speak English & good lot that speak German. The Rail Road is only a 3 ft narrow Gauge & a very nice Road is 65 Miles long. The Freight Cars are better than the Passenger Cars. The Hotel we are in is an old Spanish Residence. The Ceilings are 20 ft high & the Court on the center is 50 ft x 80 ft & the House proper around the Court is 30 ft besides a large inside Porch of 15 ft wide. one of the Lighthouses of the City is in the tower of an old Church next door

Thursday
Feb. 26th.

The first night in S. A. & it is not Xenia I know for I had to sleep on a cot 3 ft from the floor & no mattress just on a sheet on the canvas stretched tight & there is a square frame that runs up 3 ft higher & then a mosquito bar over the whole thing. We went down to the Magazine this P. M. in a Row boat & it is a terror of a place an old Spanish fort with a high wall all around it & when we went in we found about $\frac{1}{3}$ as much powder as we expected & so my stay will not be near as long as we expected & when we came home we could not row in the teeth of the wind & seas & we had to land & the boat men had to carry us ashore on their backs.

This evening I went out & heard the Government Band Concert. There is lots of paper money here it takes 85 dollars of their money to make one of theirs. I had \$1.50 & I got it changed & got \$125.00 & up at Bogota it is 225 to 1 I am going to send some home in my first letter.

Friday

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Feb. 27th

This is a fine day & that is the same way every day here until the wet season sets in in April I think I went to Mr. Gleason's office this a.m. & he furnished me a man to go with me to the different stores and get things for me to go into camp with next Monday at Castle Grande. & then I went down to the wharf to see Mr. Mayer, the Supt. of the R.R. a very nice Yankee from N.H. he is only 35 yrs. old & night up & going all the time & we have some nice times. The U.S. Consul is at the same hotel we are at and a very nice quiet Man. I took a snap shot of the Governor's Palace & also of two old Cathedrals that are over 200 years old & of the old Grid Iron that they used to heat Red Hot & then throw people on them it is now a window in one of the big Churches there are a few small parks but every thing has gone to ruin in the last 3 years war, the soldiers are nothing but Boys about 4 & 5 ft high & the dirtiest things I ever saw.

February,
28th. Saturday.

It is just two weeks today since I sailed from New York & it seems like a year, this A.M. I got all my things ready for camp & then good luck came in the shape of Mr. G. hiring an American by the name of Haines to go with me & take charge of the men for he has been in Columbia for 3 years & had had a gang of laborers under him on a R.R. & he can speak Spanish & knows how to handle them & he will handle them from my orders to him. I went out to get 10 plates developed at a photo's & he wanted \$3.00 Gold & so I am going to wait until I get back to the States & then I will have a lot. I sent a big letter & some Colombian money home today & am also sending one to Helen for her birthday. By looking out of my door I can see the big City Light House for we are only about 500 ft. from the Ocean. The streets have no houses at all & at night every property owner has to hang a lantern out, no street lamps no taxes to pay. & nothing but mule dump carts & a few carriages no sprinkling carts & no rain for 4 or 5 months & no Boot Blacks.

March 1st. Sunday.

This is Sunday & Election day here and as the story goes it is all settled before the Election. This A. M. I wrote a long letter to L. M. G. and that took me until after breakfast & then Mr. G. came in & wanted me to take a walk & we went out & walked along the top of the City wall for about a mile & saw what a terrible big undertaking it was & saw the old cells for prisoners & went through the tunnel & then we went over & called on Mr. Huestick & had a nice time & met his wife they are Germans & Mr. G. engaged 3 Mats for himself & 3 for me & he is going to have them sent to his home & then send me mine so as to save Customs. After dinner Mr. Haines & I went to hear the Band Concert on the Plaza & also saw the Bishop in his Pulpit on his big Church & it is over 100 yrs old & very very fine & then I went home & packed my trunk to go to Camp in the A. M. but I wish I was done & going home for this is such a dirty hole.

Monday March 2d.

This a.m. I got up & got my coffee & went out & found the Cart of Mr Hains ready for our Camp stuff and we left the Hotel at 6,30 A.M. went to the depot where train was waiting or rather the Engine & Combination Car & we loaded our things in or rather our colored men did & we got to the wharf & there Mr Meagher had a big whale boat ready & we loaded our things in & got away & arrived at Castle Grande at 9,30 & at 11 we had our tent up & floor down & every thing ship shape and the key was not here to the Magazine & we could not get in all day so we just run around & got shells & beans. The Government keeps a guard here all the time & they have a wooden house about 50 ft from us so we will not be lonesome, when we got here & found we were short a lot of things so I sent the Colombian up to Mr. Glaser, & kept the Cook here, we have had two meals here & it is very nice, and very cool, we are only about 2 miles from the City & we can look across & see it plain. It is very cool & nice here better than the City & we have a good swimming beach here

Tuesday March 3rd.

This is our first morning in camp & we had a rather bad night or I did for I was not used to the flapping of the Tent & we all went to work with a will & by noon we had the paper wrappers off & by tonight we have the old part all cleaned of paper & the good & bad all separated & I think we will not be here over 3 weeks as far as we can see now. The Big Royal Mail steamer came in this a.m. & the Atlas Line with the U.S. Mail for us will be in tomorrow & I expect to hear from home. This is a very lonesome place. The Colombian gets \$30.00 per day Colombian, 30 cts U.S. & the Cook the same. I found the powder in a good deal better shape than I expected I only found 34 quarter kegs that was lumps & 3 or 4 kegs & I think our camp ~~as~~ will not last long & as Haines said last night as we lay on our cots. — I am not used to sleeping in the Gannett under the roof on the ground floor.

Wednesday Mar 4th.

Hard wind up to midnight & blew spray all over the tent, so when we got up every thing and our selves were wet through with salt water. We have a fine beach to take our baths on. we got the paper & string all off of the powder & found a little over 1100 package & we expected about 3500. we ran out of water & so I had the place cleaned up in good shape & I had the Colombian Cannoy the barrel up to the City I will have it brought down Thursday A. M. when I got up to the wharf the steamer Alene was there & I saw 2 of the Passengers that stopped off of the Alghany at Jamaica. when I got to the Hotel I got my mail. letters from Sue, Mary, Rich & Helen 2 from each also letter from Mother & Harry in K.C. Letter No. 2. from home did not have Cartagena on until it go to D.A. But Mr. Glaser is known every where in the Country & it came all ok. I got a good dinner & slept at the Hotel one night, & Reported to Mr. G. & he was well satisfied & surprised at the way I found things.

Thursday Mar 5th,

I ~~was~~ got up this a.m. at 6 a.m. at the Hotel & came down to the wharf & got the bannel filled with water & then got the boat crew & my man & we went off to our camp at Castle Grande & Mr & Mrs. G. & Mr & Mrs. Bluestertick & came of in a Naptha Launch to see us & staid about one hour & Mr G. & Mr. W. were well pleased with the way things were going we cleaned all the papers off of the Quarters & Keag & cleaned the building all over & today are going to wash & clean all the packages so we expect to be out of this place by the 14th but there is a lot of bad Keag & Quarters & when the schooner gets here there are a lot of empty Quarters & we will have to transfer the powder into New Quarters. There was a big French Mail steamer went in at noon & left at 5 P.M. & I got a snap shot at her & am back to camp tonight & I dont think it is blowing so hard to. The North East Trade winds blow hard all the time. The Seper settlement is about 2 miles bellow us on the same side of the bay but on another Island.

Mar. 6th Friday

we had a hard time to sleep last night as the wind blew so hard that our cats, were on the move all the time I went to work & painted all the kegs & Quarters that needed it the first coat & I will put the second coat on Monday & Tuesday & Mr. Haynes will start tomorrow to putting on the labels & when that is done we will be all through with the job except a lot of kegs & Quarters that will have to be transferred when the schooner gets here. The wind or Trade winds are very strong here all the time. The water they drink here is caught in the rainy season in big cisterns & they have to use that until the next rainy season 6 months for there are no wells for the city is built on a sand & coral reef & when you dig down 25 or 30 feet you strike salt water.

Saturday Mar 7th.

This Morning nice & cool get up at 5.30 A. M. & went out and took a good sea bath & made me feel fine had coffee & went to work, we had Joe the Cook go out & get some Cocoa Nuts (Green) & we drink Cocoa Nut water instead of out of our City water for we dont like the water very well. we worked pretty hard & by noon on 11.30 Breakfast time here we think we are about half done & then we took all of our things except the tent itself & put up in the Magazine on Fort & hired a Canoe for \$5.00 & they took us to Porta Grande 2 miles & then we walked in to the

4 miles Macheque on wharf & had Mr. Meagher pay the Cook & Colombian for the week \$180.00 apiece or \$1.80 U. S. for the week & then Mr. M. sent the train to take us to the City wall, 2 miles & then we came to the Hotel & cleaned & had a shave & put on our good cloths & we feel like some body again & I reported to Mr. G. & he is well satisfied so far.

Sunday Mar. 8th,

This morning I got up after a good sleep here in the hotel & had coffee & went out & took a long walk over through the market which runs just the same on Sunday. Then I came home & wrote a long letter to Mary & also to Park Wilson & then it was breakfast time & after that, Mr. Haynes & myself went into Mr. Kendrick's Room & we sat & talked until dinner at 6.30 P. M. He is a wholesale drug drummer going all over South America, from N.Y. then this evening Mr. Anderson & I went down to the Plaza & heard the Band Concert & saw all the style & wealth & I did not see a good looking lady in the whole lot. America beats them all.

Get Book Kissley's
westward Ho.

It is written on Cartagena
& the burning at the Stake
is where the band played.

Monday March 9th.

Got up at 6 a. m. & Mr. Hauger & myself got coffee & some eggs & then we got our cook & he took the box of canned food & water down to the depot & we took the 7.30 train for the Machina & there Mr. Meagher had the boat & crew ready to take us over to our Tent. The Colombian Man-of-war "Cartagena" came in as we were on our way. We went to work painting the first coat & will have it done by tomorrow noon. Mr. Egnoboll is a nephew to Bob. " " & he is a dandy. I saw the first Argentine vessel I ever saw today & she was not very large coming up the Bay.

Tuesday March 10th.

Had a bad night could not sleep but when morning came & we had taken our sea bath & had coffee we both felt better but I guess we went to bed last night too early we put out the light & turned in at 7 P.M. we are having fine nights Moon all night. we are on our second & last coat of paint the vermilion does not cover very good. The Colombian man-of-war came up the bay this P.M. they are not much force in looks or anything else. There are a great many Cocoa Nut palms all around us & the water from the Green Cocoa Nut is fine & we keep 2+3 doz nuts here at the tent all the time

Wednesday March 11th.

Had a good night sleep & went to bed at 10 P.M. & this morning Haynes & I started to cleaning the old labels off of the quarters & we expect to have that all done by Thursday Noon. I have got a cigar box full of little Red-Black eyed Beans & some shells for the little ones at home. I got them off of the beach where I go in bathing every morning here at camp. One of the big Atlas Line Steamers the Valencia came in at 6 A.M. & went out at 5 P.M. & I sent the Cook up to the City for more water this A.M. & he brought me down my mail two letters from Sue written Feb 23rd & 27th. & they had got my letters from the Fortune Islands.

Thursday March 12th.

Bad night to sleep Trade winds blow all night until 4 A.M. & kept us awake it blew so hard finished cleaning all the old labels off of the kegs & expect to have them all painted by the time we go to the City Saturday Mr. G. was down this A.M. & brought me some papers from home & Mary does not put Cartagena on the address & I expect I will not get all my mail if she does that. Big French Steamer went by this A.M. & a Big German Freighter went by this P.M. 5 Steamers in here now. Took a good long bath this A.M. when I got up at 6 A.M. & the sea is so nice & warm I hate to dress & we take a long run up & down the beach & then go to our Tent & dress.

Friday March 13th.

Got up this a.m. & went in bathing on the beach at 6 a.m. & then had coffee & while we were ~~with~~ eating the cook called us to the beach where a big school of sardines about 2 inches long millions of them a space of 100 ft square so thick that you could not see any water. Some large fish had run them in ~~off~~ over the bar & they were close to the beach & the cook got a tub full as fast as he could dip them up with a bucket. we will be all through painting by 9 a.m. Tomorrow the French mail went out this a.m. The cook & I got some star fish & I will dry them to take home to Mary, Rick, Helen & Mama. I have seen the first clouds today for during the dry season there is no clouds just pleasant & hot.

Saturday March 14th.

Got up this A.M. at 5.30 & took my sea bath & finished painting the kegs & then took all of our things out of the tent & put them up in the Magazine & sent for the boat and they sent the Man-of-war boat from the she used to be James Gordon Bennetts private yacht & she is the dirtiest thing afloat now & when I got to the Hotel Mr. Goddard said he was going to give a big Dinner at 6.30 on our account. There were present Mr & Mrs. Quentick, Mr & Mrs. Waters, Mr. & Mrs. & Miss Meagher, Mr & Mrs. Goddard & myself & it was an 7 course dinner wine & cigars served at table & we had a fine time for 1 1/2 hour & had music of a Harp & violin & we had a great time & Miss Meagher sat opposite me & she is the very image of Mary in looks & action every way,

Sunday March 15th.

Got up this a.m. at 5.30 & went down to the depot & Mr. Meagher had a hand car with a seat on on end & some men & we went down to the big beach & went in bathing in the surf we could wade out about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile & the bottom pure white sand & we had a great time for about an hour & then we came back on the hand car to the depot & he brought me to the Hotel in his carriage & we had coffee & after that I went to my room & wrote a long letter to the dear ones at home.

We had breakfast at 11.30 a.m. & then Mr. Anderson & I took a long walk on top of the City wall & along the beach & I got a bucket full of shells & pretty stones to take home.

Dinner at 6.30 p.m. & then we all went down to the Plaza & Park & heard the Band Concert & the Club house is opposite & I have a visitors membership card that Mr. Huestertick got for me it is where all the Tom people go to hear the concert but there are no pretty ladies like U.S.

— Monday March 16th. —

This is Helen's Birthday & she is 6 years old today. It is now about 5.15 at home & I wonder if my little sweetheart is having a nice little party at home if I was there I know what I would do.

We came back out to Camp today & I think this will be our last week in Camp but when the schooner comes then I will have to come out while she is unloading & change some powder out of the bad kegs into the new ones.

The Big H. M. Royal Mail steamer came in this P.M. & it is as fine a boat as there are down in these waters, I got 8 pictures developed yesterday & have got 12 more there that I will get the latter end of the week.

The sand flies are commencing to show themselves & we must get away from this place as soon as we can.

Tuesday March 17th.

Got up at 5 A.M. + went out + took my regular bath in the bay and it is fine + I wish the family at home could have some of the good sea baths.

We got coffee + then went to work but we will not get through before Saturday + so this P.M. I sent the Cook up to the Hotel for more supplies + I went out after dinner + tightened up all the Tent ropes for the wind is very high tonight we sleep fine here in a tent + I like camping out very well.

I am glad we are on an island for the main land there are all kinds of wild animals

Lions, Tigers, Monkeys, Parrots &c. but there are none here.

The Big H. M. Royal Mail went out at 5 P.M. they all run very close to our point about from 200 to 500 ft. + they all see we are Americans + speak to us. The Atlas Line Steamer with our mail from New York will be in at 6 A.M. tomorrow that is what we all look for.

Wednesday March 18th.

Got up at 5 a.m. & took our regular sea bath, we cannot go out only up to our waist for there are lots of sharks here. We put in a good days work & quit at 5 P.M. with 2 hours for breakfast.

The Atlas Line Steamer "Atta" came in at 6 a.m. & went out at 5 P.M. & I expect that I had some mail on her & Mr. G. will bring it down to us tomorrow a.m. we have just had dinner 6 P.M. of 1 can Canned beef, Bread soda Crackers & Butter Coffee 1 can Bantlett Peas, we have plenty to eat but it is all Canned goods from U.S.

The wind stops at midnight & commences about noon and from 3 P.M. until it stops it blows very hard we have to have a double set of Ropes on our Trest on acct. of the wind.



Thursday March 19th.

Got up at 5 a.m. & Took a good sea bath & Then had coffee & went to work early & about 9 a.m. Mr. Goddard & Mr. Anderson came out & brought me to letter & a bundle of Papers from home & in one of the letter was a letter from Bessie Ball of Southboro & The letter from all my family & I had to read them the first thing & then I took a picture of us all at the tent & also of the Magazine from the Tent door & also Haynes & I in the tent & we got all through the work on the Powder at 5:10 P.M.

The stock is as follows.

⊖	Kegs FCO	—————	307
	" FCO	—————	130
	Quarters FCO	—————	328
	" FCO	—————	389
	Bad Kegs.	—————	11
	" Quarters.	—————	10
⊖	Kegs F made FCO	—————	84

Friday March 20th.

Get up at 5 a.m. & took our last sea bath together for awhile then I went & took the count & locked up the magazine. The all of us got together and took the tent down & then had to wait 2 hours on the boat & we got to the Hotel at 11 a.m. & got clean clothes & a bath & had breakfast & then I went to the Club & got shaved & then I went to the Tailors & got measured & am to have two suits made to order for \$8.00 U.S. One Karkki & one white duck. When I was at the Hotel an Officer came to me & read a paper & the Am. Consul said he ordered me to report to the Customs House in the a.m. & for me to go off to the Magazine & Count it with them & then turn it over to them. It is fun the way people look at me I am known all over the city by officials & at the Hotel as the Gumpowder Expert from U.S.

Saturday March 21st.

Had a bad night & did not sleep very good but got up at 6 A.M. & went to The Custom House & they took their boat & we went to The Magazine & I turned every thing over to them a lot of Red Tape for Nothing, & then I came back & Reported to Robert Glaser. & then I went up to the Hotel & up to Mr & Mrs Goddards Room & talked to them until Breakfast at 11.30 A.M. After that Mr Anderson & I took a walk down the outside Beach to the Cocoa Nut Palms & I got a lot of shells & stones for the folks at Home & we saw the big German steamer coming down the Coast & then we went home to dinner & after that I did not leave the Hotel but went to bed at 10 P.M. There is an Engine on the R.R. here that used to run on the narrow Gauge Railroad from Dayton through Xenia that seems funny, to run across such a thin way off down here in South America the old number you can see through the Paint is 5.

Sunday March 22d.

Got up this a. m. at 6 & took a walk & saw to strangers talking English & I spoke to them & one was Ed Berg who was a cousin of the Clifton boys in the Klondike & he has a Gold mine right on the Equator & he was here got here this a. m. & is here proving his claim & he has been in San Francisco for 2 years before he came here & has been here about 6 months & was a good friend of W. C. Ralston, & I had breakfast with him & spent the day with him & while we were out I got a fine sword of a sword fish from a Japanese for a Curio to take home it was 2 ft long & I am going to get a dozen Cook shells tomorrow. There was another big German steamer arrived this a. m. Had a good night Mrs. Goddard gave me some Talcum Powder & I put that on my arms.

Monday March 23rd.

Had a good night & got up & took a long walk before coffee.

Mr. Haines took charge of the Hotel this a.m. Mr. Hill quit. Went down to the wharf this p.m. & saw them loading cattle on an English steamer. They throw a loop over their horns & haul them up in the air that way & I got a picture of them.

Mr. Beng & I went all over the Colombian man-of-war La Payoni & met Capt Olson he is an American.

This evening Mr. & Mrs. Goddard Mr. Graver & myself played Vane until about 11 p.m. Mr. Graver is the man that started the war between Brazil & Peru & is a German & lives in N.Y. & is a very fine man. I took my thin gray suit to be cleaned this a.m. & had to put on my heavy suit & have been roasted all day but will get it tomorrow.

Changed my room over with Mr. Ardenon this p.m. We have just got news of a volcano eruption 35 miles north of here Toturuce & the natives are scared about 80 or 90 times people killed.

Tuesday March 24th.

Got up this a. m. & took a long walk & then had coffee & then went out to see what I could hear. The people are all excited (The Natives). The other Americans & C. not so much so but it is not very far from here, They Ran a special Train as near as they could & then sent Men on Mules to find out all about it & it looks kind of sketchy. I went to the Tailors & got my Kanki suit & put it on & I think it is fine for \$340.00 & my white suit will not be done before next week. Went around to the Club in the P. M. & got shaved for \$10.00 & hair cut for \$5.00

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Wednesday March 25th

Got up & put on my new suit & went down & took the 6.30 train for the wharf & there saw the Alleghany come in & went on board & met the Capt Haase & Chief Engineer & Steward & all my old friends that I made when I came down on her last month & then I came up to breakfast & got 2 letters from Sue & the rest of the family & also some Cincinnati papers & then in the P. M. we all went back aboard the steamer & had a good time & the steamer left for home at 4.30 P. M. Took a picture of Capt. Haase at the Hotel. Took some passengers over on the City Mall & showed them around for 'it seemed nice to talk to somebody directly from U. S.

Thursday March 26th

Got up this a.m. at 6.30 & as Mr Anderson went to N.Y. on The Alleghany yesterday, I did not have the Sweet Music of the night. I have decided to go home on the schooner via of Baltimore & then to N.Y. & Boston. Somebody stole a Gold watch out of Mr. Rowens Room this a.m. while he was taking a bath his Room is next to mine he is a N.Y. Summer. I overhauled my trunk & bag & got everything ready so when the schooner comes I will be all ready. I did not have anything to do or any where to go for it is so hot & I just sat ~~at~~ on my balcony & watched the ocean & read the papers most of the day & smoked. I have not had a good square meal since I left N.Y.

Friday March 27th

Got up this A.M. at 7:15 & went & had coffee & then took a walk out onto the sea wall to watch the breakers for a while for it is a fine sight. About 10 the Consul came & let me have a lot of N. U. Papers & I read until breakfast & then I went back to my papers again for they are all the reading matter we get. Mr Goddard was down to breakfast the first time he had been out of his room for 36 hours he has had a very bad sick headache while I was looking over the Shipping News I found where our schooner the "Matherson" left Baltimore March 9th so we need not look for her much before April 9th. This P.M. Mr Haynes introduced me to Ben Wooster of Cin. O. he is the Master Mechanic on the R.R. & was going to try his new steam launch & I went with him down the bay & had a fine time & he is going to take me out & clear down the bay on his Hafathia Launch some day next week, he is a fine fellow.

Saturday March 23rd.

Got up this a.m. at 6.30 & took a walk before coffee & then went up to my Room & read N.Y. papers until breakfast & after that took another walk out on the wall. No much for me to do until the schooner comes & I don't know what to do with myself. Mr & Mrs G. went to Mr. Huesticks to dinner & we had Apple pie for dinner at the Hotel the first pie I have seen in South America & that was burned to death. I got some postal cards of Mrs Glaser to send to my friends & my family he only had one kind Porto of Cartagena but will have a lot more soon. Went to bed at 9.30 P. M. & took a good sponge bath there. There are no bath tubs in the Hotel.

Sunday March 29th

Got up at 7 a.m. & went down stairs to Coffey & then went out & hunted up The Barber & got shaved & had my shoes shined & then I went down to the depot & took the train to the wharf & met the Capt of the Colombian Man of war & we had a fine time on his ship & then the big French Mail boat "Lafayette" came in with the mails & I saw her & then I came back to the hotel to breakfast & then I took a nap & went out walking on top of the sea wall with Mr. Goddard & then dinner & after dinner I went to the Plaza to the Band Concert. I with nothing to do & the weather so hot & no wind I just don't know what I can do too hot to sleep & too hot for anything.

Monday March 30th

Got up this A.M. at 7 & got Coffee & took a walk & then bought a Boa Constructor skin for \$80.00 or .75 cts about 15 ft long & am going down to the fishermen's huts below the city get some conk shells at about 3 cts a piece & some Corval to take home & I am going to get a cheap Truck to take them in, got 10 more pictures developed today makes 42 in all. So very hot here I am afraid to go out much for it is not safe for Northerners to get overheated.

The people are very much excited over a hard Thunder storm & heavy rain at 6.30 dinner time last night for they say it never rains here before May 1st & they don't know what to make of it.

Tuesday March 31st.

Got up at 7 A.M. & went & had coffee & I think I am getting lazy getting up so late every morning. went out for a walk & got my shoes shined & then went out to find another steamer I think found one for \$20000 & I think I will take it.

After breakfast I went down to the Custom House officer & he took me over the Royal Mail Steamer "Altrato" & she is a fine boat one of the largest that run to South America. I bought 50 fine cigars for \$5000 today. we have a very nice breeze this P.M. & enemy badly is out getting all they can of it.

Wednesday April 1st.

April fools day, I wonder who is getting it at home for we got it here for the Atlas steamer with The N.Y. Mail has not been late before for over 5 years so I am told & she was due at 6 A.M. & is not here yet at 5 P.M.

This is a very lonely old wait for me here in this place with letters from home only every Wednesday.

Was down & ordered another Kanki suit & that will make 2 Kanki, 1 white, 1 Gray cloth & heavy suits I have.

There was a heavy thunder storm back in the mountains we could see it plain but it did not come to the city this P.M.

I go out & sit on the sea wall every P.M. & watch the surf & it is a grand sight.

Went to one of the stores & bought a steamer trunk larger & better than the one I got in N.Y. & paid 2.50 Gold & the one in N.Y. cost \$4.50

Thursday April 2d.

Got up at 6 a.m. & had coffee & went down to Mr. Glavin's office to meet one of his men & we took a coach & went out by LaPops to a fisherman's Hut & I bought 18 Conk shells at .03 each on \$3.00 Colombian & 6 pieces Corval for 10cts or \$10.00 Colombian & got back to The Hotel at 10.30 & I have a fine lot & then I got breakfast at 11.30 & went around to the American Consuls Mr. Ingersols office & he gave me a fine tiger skin that was killed about 12 miles from here. The atlas steamer "Alene" due yesterday a.m. had just whistled for a Pilot opposite the City & is 2 days late & she was never known to be late before & all the Americans & self we out on the sea wall when she came in sight tonight & we feel better now for we know will get mail from home tomorrow a.m. we cannot tell any thing about late boats for there is no Telegraph or Cable here.

Friday April 3d.

Got up early to go down & see the Atlas Boat with our mail come in & was disappointed for it was an English boat just like her by the name of "Guatana" from Liverpool & the people begin to think the Alene is lost with our mails & we will probably find out some thing about her tomorrow when the French mail comes from Colou & perhaps not until the next Atlas boat next Wednesday.

I went over & saw Ben Wooster this A. M. & he is going to make 3 or 4 canoes for me out some of the different kinds of wood here for me to take home & when I was coming back to the Hotel I got caught in a thunder shower & got soaked & my gray suit & belt were a sight when I came in. I ~~at~~ it rains down here I never saw it rain in U. S. that way.

Saturday April 4th.

Got up at 7 a. m. & went to the barber shop & then took a walk out around the market & saw all the people sitting on the ground under a piece of canvas with all their things on the ground & all kinds of tropical fruits. The oranges & bananas are not much good around here.

The Atlas boat has not come yet & the French Mail came in this a. m. & she has word that the "Alene" left New York March 21st but she is not here yet & the people think she is lost for 10 yrs. ago this very time of one of their boats on this same run disappeared & nothing was ever heard of her. Not one saved & they only found a piece of one life boat with the name on.

Mr Boyle & his party left for the Gold Country up the river this P. M. to be gone until the middle of May. Mr & Mrs Shipley were Mr & Mrs G's guests at dinner with us at 6.30 P. M. tonight & he is vice Pres. of the C. T. & G. Co & M. Ry. Co. here in Cartegana & very nice Americans.

Sunday April 5th,

Got up at 7 a.m. & got coffee & went out for a walk & to get my shoes shined & saw Ed Benz awhile & then came back to Hotel & read Enquirer until breakfast & after that went to Room & took a nap until 4.30 p.m. & then went out & took a seat on the sea wall for an hour had dinner & went to Band Concert in the evening.

Mr Shipley & I had a talk at dinner & he was the Commander of the Springfield Missouri K. of P. Division when I was there with the K. C. K. of P. Band & he had charge of the parade & was at the head of it & so was our band & he also was Bookkeeper for Webb Wooder W. Co. in K. C. from 85 to 89 & was at our lodge lots of times & I expect I must have seen him before.

This is Palm Sunday & everybody has great long palms & it looks fine.

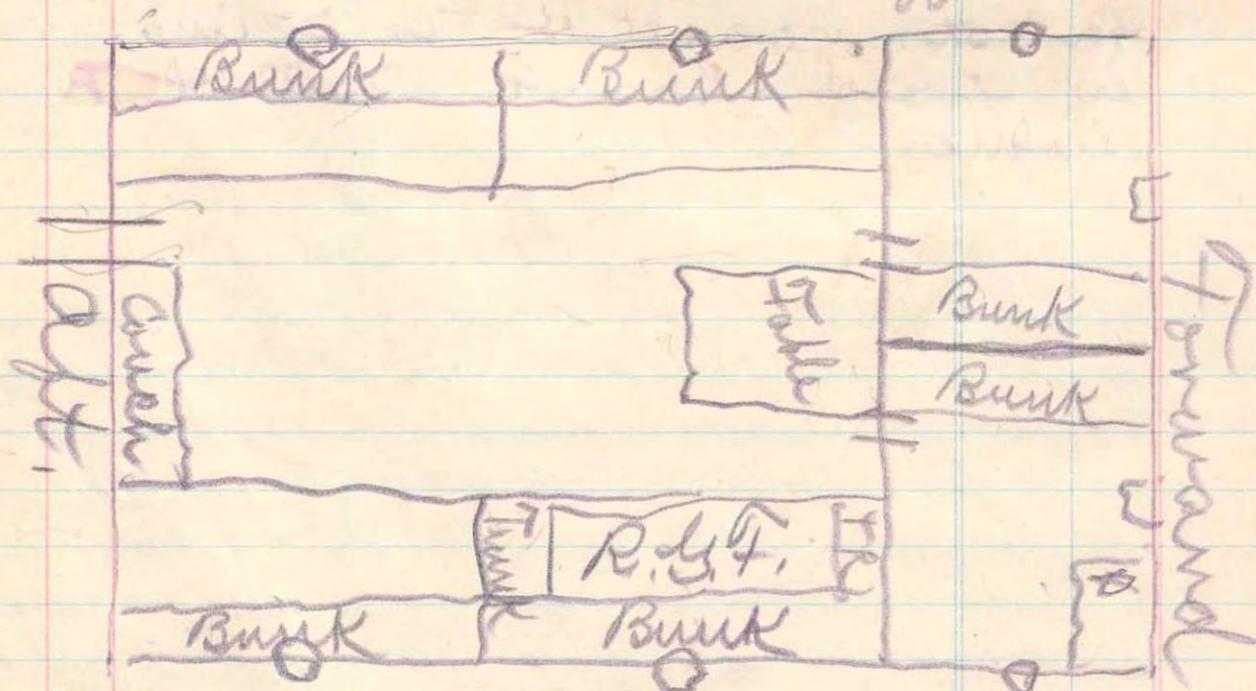
There is only one ~~church~~ Church here
Roman Catholic.

Monday April 6th.

Got up at 7 a.m. & went out for a walk & met Capt Hitchcock & then we went to the Hotel & had coffee & he has quit The Colombian Man-of-war & is going home to Jersey City on the H.A. Atlas line steamer Wednesday if she comes for last week's boat has not got here yet & we have not heard a word from her & the Agents are beginning to think she is lost. I took some pictures of Miss Lofthouse & Carmelita after breakfast in the upper hall. Miss Lofthouse & Carmelita went with me to the Band Concert last night. Miss Lofthouse is the governess to Carmelita & is about 30 yrs old & very nice & is from Jamaica. I am having a very lazy time for there is nothing I can do & I don't know the language & I just have to wait until the schooner gets here. Good News - Telegram saying Alene broke down Valencia will be here Wednesday with both mails.

Tuesday April 7th,

Got up & went out & got a shave & as I was going to the hotel Mr Godard met me & told me the schooner was coming up the bay & so I went down & met Capt Voitz of the John A Matheson & he is a fine man & he & I had a talk & went to the hotel & then I went down on the wharf & he invited me on board to supper & when that was over he had me stay aboard all night & he gave me his cabin & he is a fine fellow just my age 43 we talked all the evening & the mate & crew are all very nice the mates name Chas Hulkeff.



Wednesday April 8th,

Got up this a.m. aboard the schooner and had breakfast with Capt & Mate & it seems like old times then the Atlas post Valencia came in with two weeks mails & I & The Capt went ashore after we got the vessel along side the wharf & I got 4 letters written Mar. 19-20-23 & 26 & heard of Mr Garfield's sickness & was very sorry to hear it. This p.m. I got my trunks & bundles all together & went on board the schooner for good & expect to be there until we arrive in Baltimore about June 10th for we go from here to the Sand Island Coast & to St Andrews to load Cocoa Nuts & then home.

Thursday April 9th.

Got up at 6 a.m. on board schooner & had breakfast & then put my working clothes on & went ashore in the boat & finished my job at the Magazine by 5 P.M. & now it is all done every thing & the vessel will finish tomorrow but has got some ship work to do & will not get out of here before next Wednesday & then I will get my last mail before I start home.

The actual count today is —

307	Kegs	# G	
132	"	# G	(2)

328	Quarters	# G	
443	"	# G	(54)

By schooner			
407	Kegs	Blasting	
500	- 50 lb.	Cases	Aetna
210	125 "	"	"

Friday April 10th

Got up this a.m. at 6 & had breakfast & this is what I call living & went on deck & went up aloft & had a look around & as this is Good Friday & a Holy-day ahhove they will not come off to finish unloading the vessel & so we will have to wait until tomorrow. The crew are all at work mending sails & painting & I have written to Mr. Garfield & Mr. & Mrs. Randall of Philadelphia for I am going to stop & see them a few minutes on my way to Boston. It is very nice & cool here on the vessel & I like it much better than the Hotel.

Saturday April 11th.

Got up at 6 a.m. & got breakfast & then the boats came off at 9 & we had all the cargo out by 11 & then the Capt. tacked up & anchored off the west side of the wharf & then we got ready & went ashore & I got a shave & went to the Hotel & changed into my clean clothes & my Karkis suit & then the Capt. & I came aboard. The schooner & the Capt. gave the sailors some money & they all went ashore for the night & we staid aboard.

A Big Hamburg-American steamer came in this a.m. we have finer food here than I have had since I left N.Y.

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There was a total eclipse of the Moon tonight from 5 to 9 & we saw it very well from the schooner for it was nice & clear

Sunday April 12th

Got up at 6 A.M. & we had breakfast & the Capt & I dressed in our best & went ashore & when we got to the wharf we saw the Atlas boat "Alene" that is 12 days late coming up the bay & we waited to see her come in & then we went up to the Hotel & we had breakfast with Mr & Mrs. Goddard & then we took a walk around the City. There were 2 other large German Steamers came in & a cattle boat & so there are a lot of boats here tonight. The Capt. & I came aboard the boat at 6:30 & had supper & it is much cooler here than ashore.

Monday April 13th.

Got up at 6 A.M. & had breakfast & then the Capt & I went ashore & up to Mr. Glasens & then up to the Hotel & we had a Colombian breakfast with Mr. & Mrs. G. and then the Capt & I went to the American Consuls Office & I was signed as one of the crew of the schooner at .25 cts. per month for she is not allowed to carry passengers. Mrs. Goddard went to Church Easter yesterday. The Capt & I got aboard at 5 o'clock.

The old Racing Yacht Overhaught is here in the harbor as a Colombian Coaster & she looks pretty tough to. The crew painted the schooner white outside today & she looks fine.

Tuesday April 14th.

Got up at 6 a.m. & the Steward put up my dinner in a pail & after breakfast I went down to the Magazine & separated all the Cargo that came in the schooner & the dinner was a 1/2 pie fried Apple 4 slices bread & butter & some Corned beef & cake & I worked until 3.30 P.M. & then came back to the schooner & the Capt was ashore & met Mr Porter he was on the "Alleghany" with me on the trip down & the Capt told me the "Alleghany" was sunk in N.Y. Harbor.

570	Kegs	B.	
25	"	AB	
306	"	#A	
91	"	#B	
328	gms	#C	
443	"	#C	
25	Cases	N. T. F.	
5	"	Cases	
65	"	289	- 120
145	"	128	- 120
160	"	289	- 50
340	"	128	- 50

Wednesday April 15th.

Got up at 6 a.m. & went ashore with the Capt. & we went to Mr. Glaser & then to the Hotel & then I went to the barbers & got my hair cut & a shave & my shoes shined & then I went to the Hotel & the Capt. & myself had our last meal in Colombia with Mr. & Mrs. Goddard & then I went out to see Ben Wooster & from there I went & had a couple of very pleasant hours at Mr. & Mrs. Shipley & then came back & got my new clothes & we went aboard for the last time for we expect to sail in the morning. The regular mail boat with our mail is late a day & I do not know if we are going to get it or not.

Thursday April 16th.

Got up at 6 A.M. just in time to see the Mail boat Altai come in & so the Capt & I went ashore & got our Mail & There was a letter from home written Mar. 31st saying Mary was very sick again but at Sue's last note a day later she was better & I hope by this time is all right again. Then the Capt & I went aboard the schooner & the Pilot was aboard & we got under way & while I am writing this on top of the Cabin at 5 P.M. we have gone 40 miles. At 4 P.M. the Mate had me take the sextant & take the Sun & I got it correct pretty good for I have not had one in my hands for 20 years.

Fine day, wind N by W,

Friday April 17th West,

Lat. $9^{\circ}-56'$ Long. $78^{\circ}-14'$
 Got up at 6 a.m. & went on deck & the crew was washing down decks & then we had breakfast at 7.30 and at 8 a.m. we had gone 140 miles by the log & then at 9 a.m. it was a calm & we did not get a breeze until 5 p.m. at 2 p.m. The Capt sighted land on our port beam but soon lost it.

I got all my heavy clothes & overcoat out & cleaned them good in the wind & The Capt is going to put them away for me until we get to Baltimore.

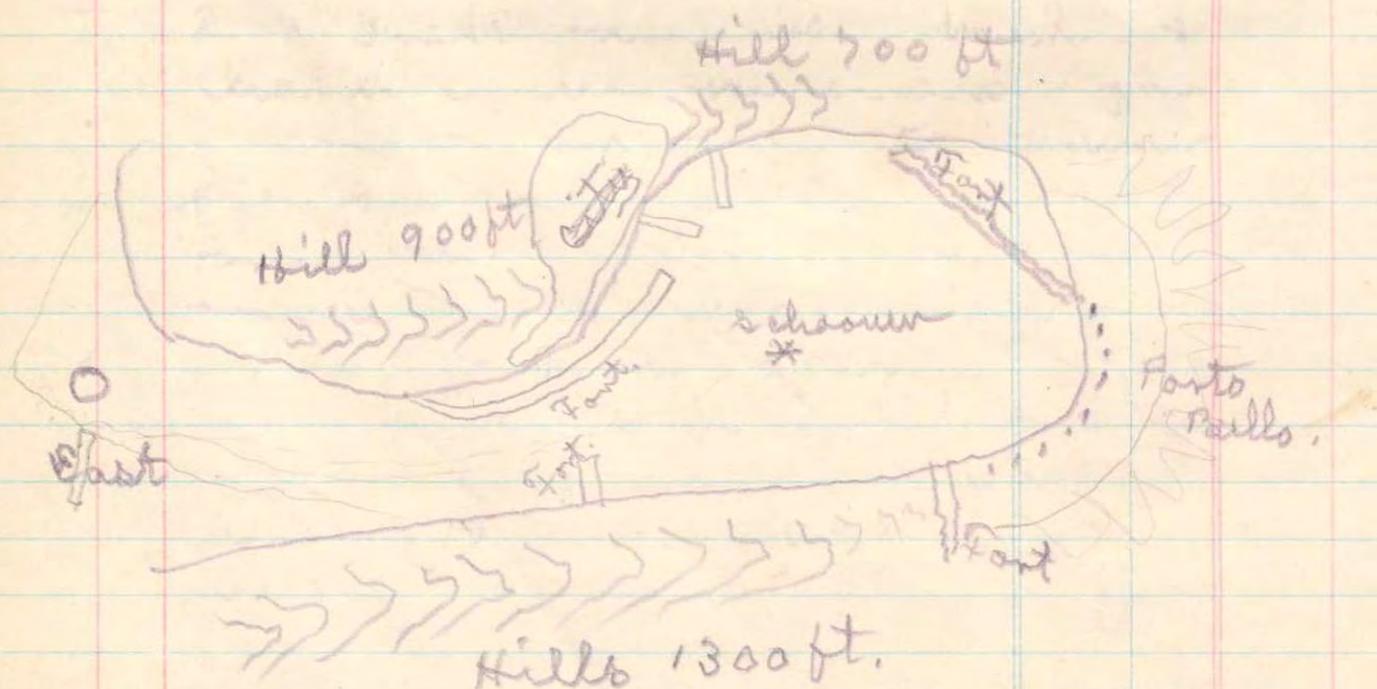
There was a land bird, flew off from shore & lit on the jib boom & was there for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour but nobody would hunt him. we have about 120 miles to go to Porto Bello.

Saturday April 18th.

Lat. $9^{\circ} 47'$ Long. $78^{\circ} 57'$ W.S.W.
Got up at 6 A.M. after a bad
night for there was no wind &
they tacked ship three times
& it was just calm & a gust
of wind all night & this A.M.
was the same way & only
went 40 miles all night
Land in sight all day on
the Port beam had two
showers one in A.M. &
one in P.M. wrote some
more in my last letter
home unless we can send
by some steamer we
expect to get to Baltimore
June 1st. lots of Sand
birds around today can
just see the land 25
miles off to Port.

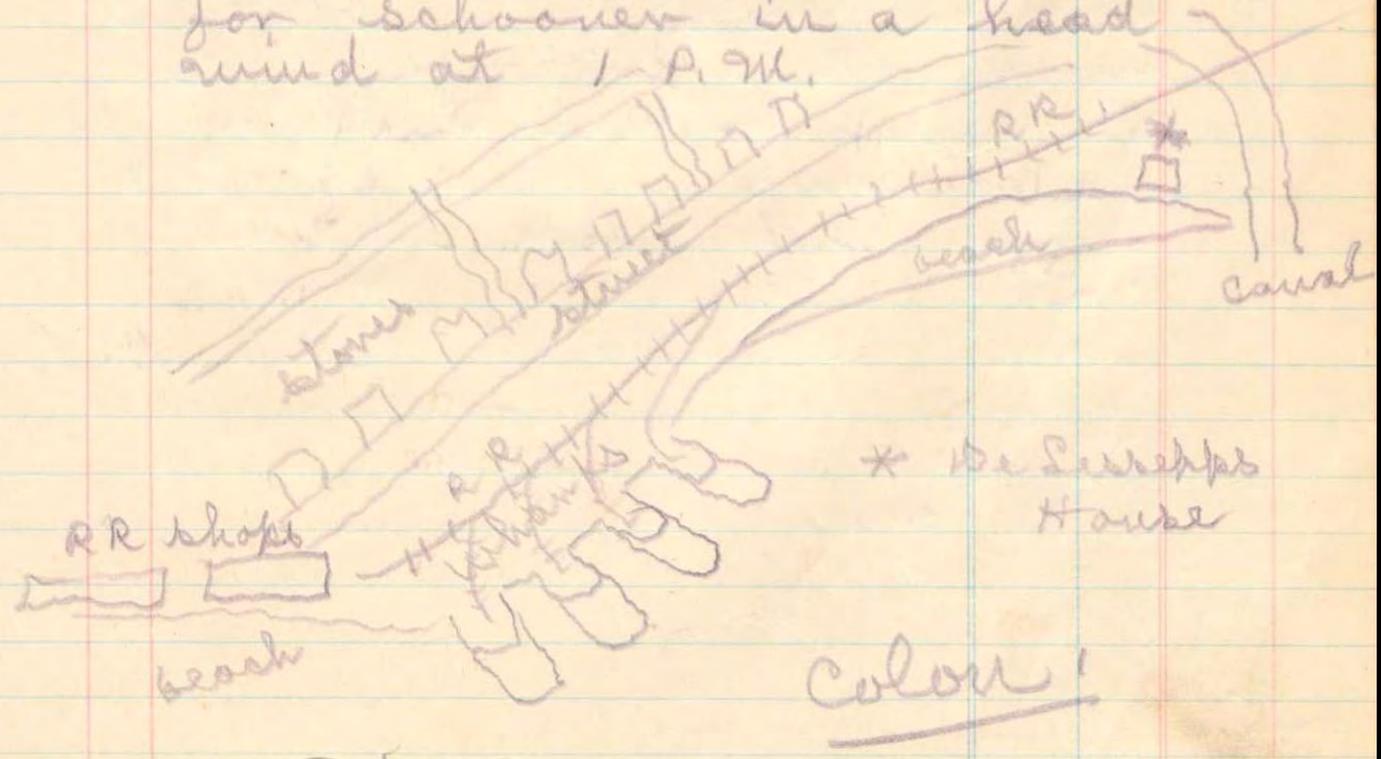
Sunday April 19th.

Got up at 6 a.m. with a light breeze & we only made 40 miles all night, but a fair wind at 10 a.m. put us in Porto Bello at 3 P.M. with a fine harbor & The Capt & I went ashore & it is another Spanish town hundreds of years old old ports & walls. The Capt. chartered a sloop to take us to Colon & we are going to start at 7 P.M. & will get there in the a.m. The hills go right up from the water 6 or 700 ft. & the harbor is only $\frac{1}{2}$ mile wide & 2 miles long & runs East & West, one of my Parrotlets died.



Monday April 20th

The Capt & I started for Colon in a small sloop at 7 P.M. Sunday & we had light breeze & did not arrive in Colon until 6 A.M. & then we went ashore & got coffee & he got \$9,000.00 in 50 lb. Colombian pieces & it made 6 large bags of money. The city is all on one street, wharfs first, R.R. next, street next & houses, they mostly speak english. The R.R. is a broad gauge & the cars & engine marked P. R. R. very nice docks but no harbor, canal starts just north of city. & De Sesspe's house. went on board N.Y. Steamer "Yucatan" & got late papers, got shaved & had dinner there & started for schooner in a head wind at 1 P.M.



Tuesday April 21st.

we arrived at The schooner this a. m. at 7 after a bad night in a head wind & The cabin in the sloop was too small for two & as the Capt was not well he took the cabin & I staid on deck for one had to stay awake to keep our eyes on The Money & we had a very rough night.

The Southern Cross was very plain. as soon as we got aboard The Capt went to bed but is better this A.M. Got a nice fan for Mary & 3 nice Cans & 2 silk

H-chips The Fan for Mary & The H-chips for Mary & Helen.

The Pilot for The San Blas coast came aboard & now we are ready to go & get our load of Cocoa Nuts.

Steward bought a large bunch of bananas fine ones as I ever saw for .30 cts.

Wednesday April 22d.

Got up at 5 a. m. & had coffee & then they washed off the decks & were ready to go back up the coast to load nuts. This is the day Mr & Mrs Goddard expect to leave Cartagena for N. Y. we have a boy about 15 yrs. old by the name of Leo Dunn. and he is always tired & by the time he gets home from this & his first trip I think the Capt will make him believe he has had enough of sailors life. The Capt. has been very sick with fever but is better today. we have been diving into a head sea all day heading ENE & I think the Pilot is going to lay to most of the night or as soon as we see the light so as to go in in the day time. we left Porto Bello at 8 a. m. & had to make 4 tacks to get by fine day at sea but Rain all along the shore.

Thursday April 23d.

Got up at 5.30 A.M. & we were diving into a head sea bound to Carde & we arrived there after going by San Blas point & by 28 small islands & the houses are all thatched huts & they cover the islands down to the water & there are nobody but Indians they are short thick set large head & very strong & of a dark red with long black hair. we arrived here at 9 A.M. & tonight we have taken in 1405³ cocoa nuts very good for first day & I went to work checking for the Capt for he would not trust the Mate. There were about 100 Indians & 2 chiefs aboard all day & about 30 young fellows under 10 with not a stitch of clothing on they are regular water dogs & the canoes are cut out of cedar & mahogany & are from 3 ft. for boys to 40 ft for a lot. Nobody is allowed a shore after sundown

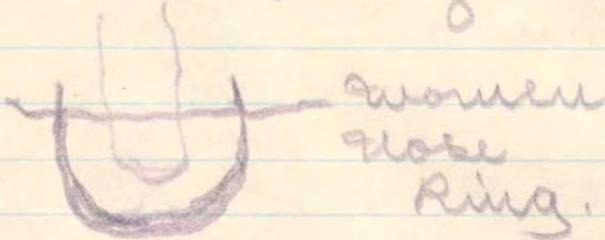
Caracas John A. Matheson 190.

Friday April 24th.

Got up at 6 a.m. & got breakfast & then the crew went to work throwing Ballast over board & at 10 a.m. we started to loading again for they come off to the vessel in canoes & in small lots from 25 to 5000 & it is pretty close work. The total in hold is 23630 not many today. Pine Apples, Limes, & Bananas are plenty & very cheap, Parakeets 10 cts Colombian am going to take 3 home & also 1 Parrot. The Indians will not allow any body but their own people to land on their ground. when one dies they take him to the main land & dig a hole & put him in a hammock & put every thing he used when alive tobacco, pipe, fishing things & every thing he wears is buried with him. when a man wants to get married he just takes a or 1 girl & goes & lives with her & he is the one & the only one no divorce allowed.

Saturday April 25th,

Got up at 6 a.m. & had breakfast and then got ready for suits but we only took 724 over the side today so the Capt had the awnings taken down this afternoon & we expect to go to another Port tomorrow. The Capt & I made a cage out of a can goods box & wine for our parakeets & I have 3 & he has 1 very dull aboard all day as we lay in Port we heard N. There are 344 families live in one house & they all use bright red or black for dress & the women have a big brass Ring through their nose & the men big brass & gold ear rings & a derby that is sized to small.



women
nose
Ring.



Men's ear Ring

Sunday April 26th,

I got up at 5.30 a.m. & had breakfast at 6.30 & then took a bath & a shave & by that time they had the anchor up & we were off for River De Abalo about 50 miles south and we passed on our trip up 58 Islands for we did not go outside just worked our way up between the keys.

The Indians are about the same here as the other place. The rainy season has set in & it rains very nearly all day but not much at night. There are not many Quits here & I think the Capt will not stay here very long & when he goes he says he is going to St Andrew. That is what I want.

Monday April 27th.

Got up at 6 a.m. & had breakfast at 6.30 & we did not get many nuts here & the coast traders are all ahead of us we only took in 6034 today & the Capt is going back to Comdee on Wednesday. The Indians are a very lazy set & will not work. The crew are cleaning the vessel all over scraping the spars & powdering & getting her ready for the home trip

Tuesday April 28th.

Got up at 6 a.m. & had breakfast at 6.30. The capt sent our water barrels up the river for 1200 gallons of fresh water. I did a big washing this a.m. My gray pants, 2 flannel shirts, 2 under shirts, 2 pair drawers, 4 pair stockings, & 4 H-chiefs & we had thunder showers all around us at sea but the mountains stood up clear on the land side & it was a grand sight, no wind at all we took in only about 3000 before dinner.

Wednesday April 29th.

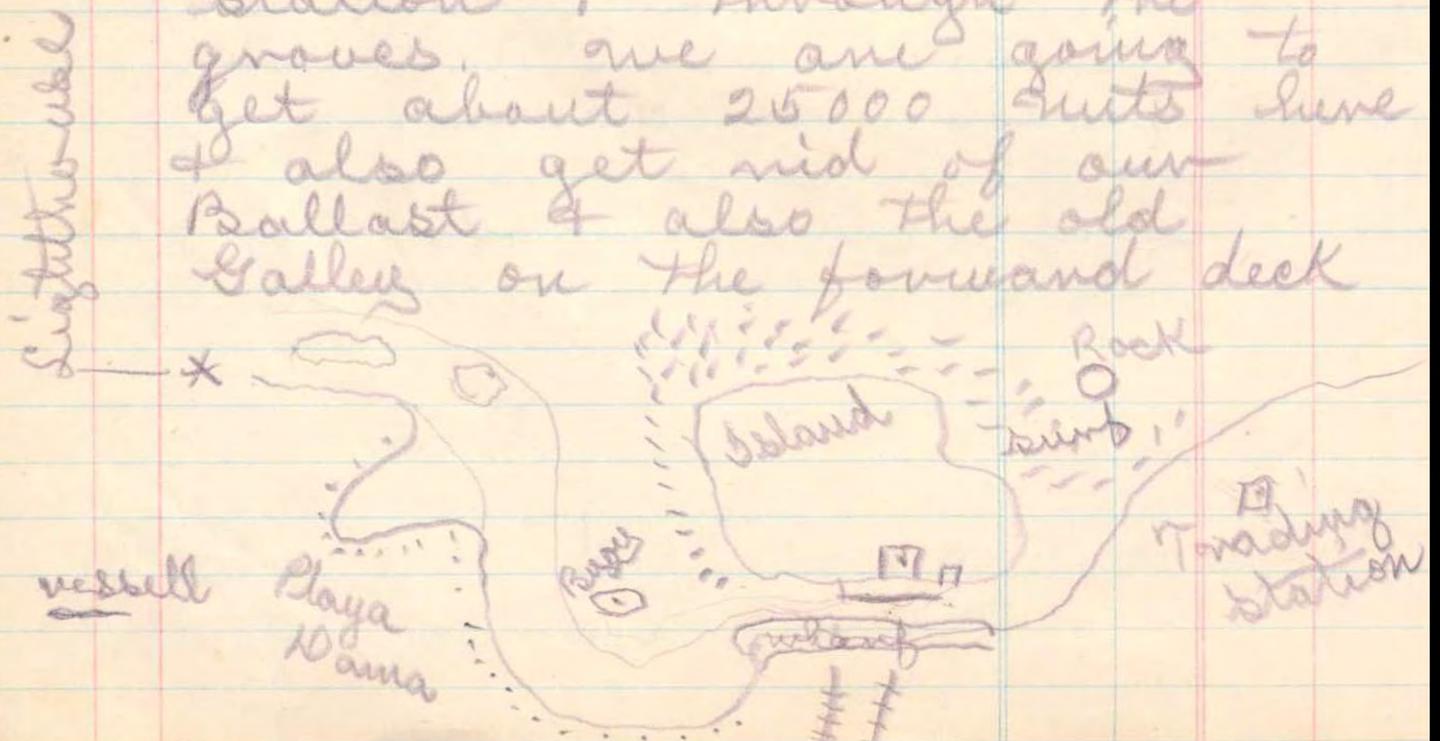
Got up at 6 A.M. & had
breakfast at 6.30 & then
set sail for Cardie & the
wind was off. The quarter
& we went down the coast
in fine style & got there
at 10.30 & the Cook killed
a big turtle about 5 ft
by 3 ft in & we had
fine soup for dinner
& the meat is nicer than
turkey. we took in 1500
nuts after dinner
Capt Wilcox of the schooner
Columbia a trader came aboard
last evening & we spent a
nice three hours here aboard

Thursday April 30th.

Got up this a.m. at 6 & had breakfast and at 9 a.m. Capt Wilcox sent a little over 9000 Nuts aboard & we have been taking in small lots all day & this P.M. Capt Gray & myself returned. Capt Wilcox call & I went aboard The Trader Columbia of Colon & his boat lays only about 100 ft from an Indian village & I took a picture of it and also of a lot of young Indian boys that were aboard his boat. They are getting our boat ready for sea for we go at daylight up the Coast to Pina Dania & there will meet an American firm & I will also have a chance to send a letter home. The last day of ~~April~~ & the last day of May I expect to be close to Baltimore homeward bound. My 2d Parrotkeels died & 2 of the stewards they are had to keep

May 1st, Friday.

Got up at 5 a.m. & had coffee & then we got the sails set & went to sea & had to tack 8 times to clear the keys & then we ran down to the light house & came up into Playa Blanca a small Trading station & there met Capt Durd a friend of Capt Vix & we had to run a line from the Buoy to the wharf & then we are as snug as if we were ashore. This is the port that the American Iron Mine is at & the wharf & R.R. are here but the mine is shut down for about 2 months. There are quite a lot of Americans here. There are big Cocoa nut groves every where & I went ashore & went through the trading station & through the groves. we are going to get about 25000 Nuts here & also get rid of our Ballast & also the old Galley on the forward deck.



Saturday May 2d.

Got up at 5 a.m. & had breakfast at 6 & then the crew went to work & discharged about 25 tons of Rock ballast & then we ran lines & hauled the schooner up to the Cocoa Nut warehouse & by noon we were ready to take in Nuts & after dinner we took in 11860 & Capt Hund sent out two sloops for more nuts & by Monday night we will have a few more thousands, we have all the Limes, Alligator Peas, Manni fruit, & Green Cocoa Nut water & wines we want here when it rains here they just pull the plug out for I never saw it rain so hard I went up in the town & it is a broken down place, Engines & Cars & R.R. all going to ruin every thing stopped & nothing being taken care of all out doors.

Sunday May 3d.

Got up this a.m. about 5
as the Mosquitoes were near
set us crazy for they are
the worst here in this port
that I ever saw.
Last night I took a bath &
then had a fight all night
The Capt & myself are
invited to Mr Hunds to a
dinner he is getting up
for us at 5 P.M. & The
Capt wont do a thing unless
I am in it. This is a
very dull place when
there is no work going on.
Mr Hund, the Mate & all
the sailors & myself have
been in swimming off of
the schooner for an hour
& it was fine.

Monday May 4th.

Got up at 5 A.M. run out by
mosquitoes same as usual &
& they took in 6041 Nuts today
I took a good walk all over
the Island & went out on the
Corral reef about a mile at
low tide. Had some green
Cocoa Nut water & had a
good time all day Mr Kund
is going to send me some
agnette feathers they are fine
white, about 18 in. long.
There was a sloop coming
in tonight & she ran on
the point of the Reef inside
& when she got in she
was loaded with Nuts
for us. I sent a letter
to Mama & Mary & one to
Richard & Helen & they
will get it about the 78th
I got a fine piece of Turtle
shell for Mary & also a
nice piece of Corral.

Tuesday May 5th,

Up at 5 a. m. & took 10000 ruts
into the hold & then we had
a few minutes settling up with
Mr Hurd & getting rid of the
Custom House Officer & then we
dropped out by the reef & then
set sail for St Andrew's for
sure & we have a head
wind & only made 20 miles
the first 4 hours, I am to
send Mr Hurd some
Magazines & he is going to
send me some egret
feathers. we have a very
rough trip before us
head sea & head wind,

Wednesday May 6th.

It is 12 weeks ago today that I left home & it has been a long time & I expect to stay there when I get there. Turned too at 6 a.m. after a very rough night. Boat going into head sea & head wind all night but this a.m. The wind went free & went off at a 10 knot clip all day but do not know weather we can get in tonight or not.

Lat. $11^{\circ} 37' \text{m}$ Long. $81^{\circ} 2' \text{w}$
 Fine. N.N.W. $\frac{1}{2}$ N.

Thursday May 7th.

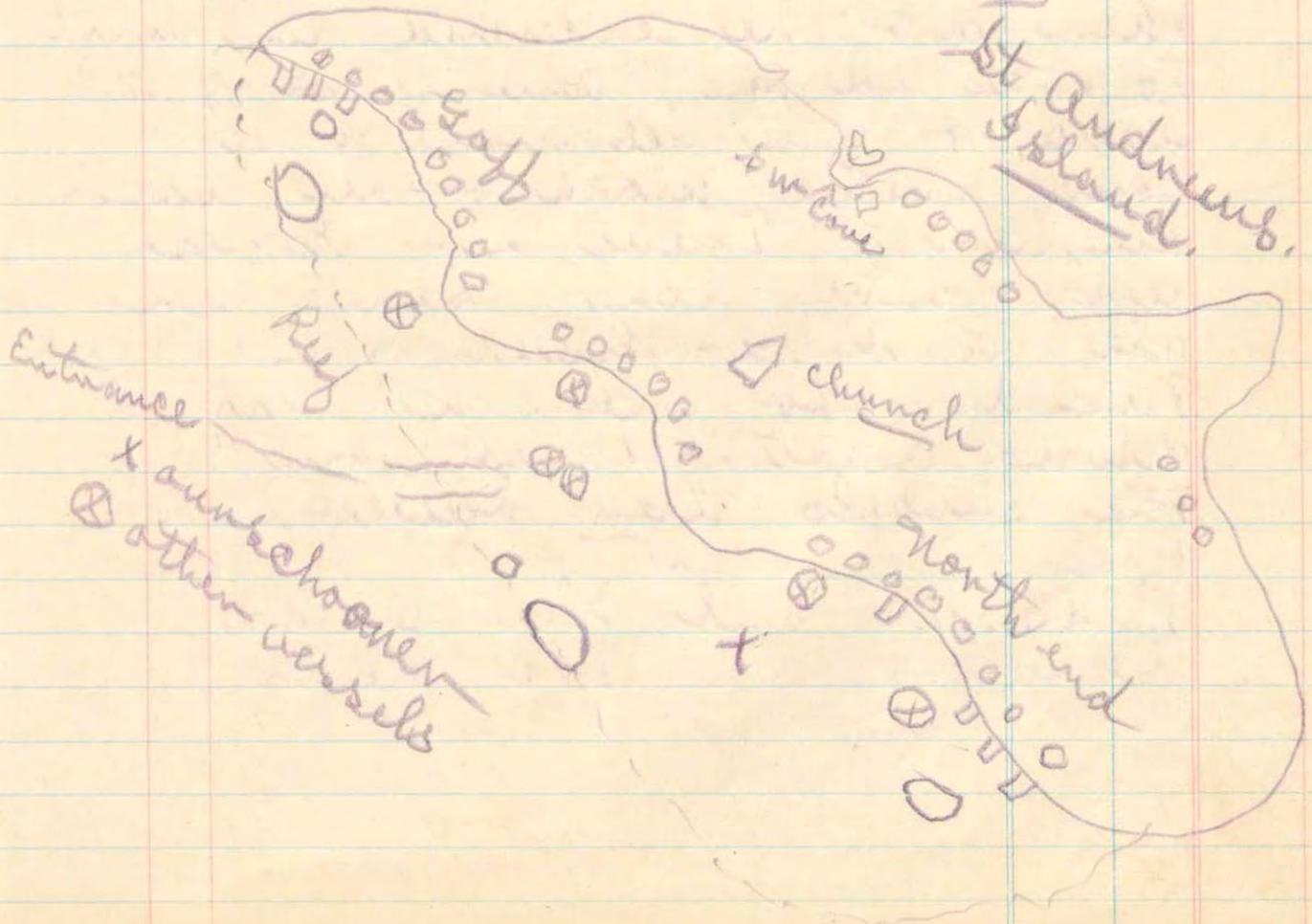
Turned too at 5.30 A.M. & the schooner had been here to all night & when I came on deck we were off of Countown Keys & then we got a fair wind & went for St Andrews & a pilot took us at 8 A.M. & at 9 we were anchored inside a fine harbor & there was the brigantine Fredericka Shepp of N.Y. & the Alice of Liverpool N.S. & 3 other schooners in there & the Capt of the Alice had his wife aboard & all the Capt's came aboard to see us & get the news.

The Capt & I went up to the Gaff in the afternoon & I got a pair of Chinese slippers & then in the evening we went to North End the island is 7 miles long & 2 miles wide & a very pretty place & all speak English. There are some very nice sail boats here the Co. D.W. have two. The harbor has a reef along about 1 mile out & the Bessels lay between the Reef & the island & makes a fine harbor & you can hear the surf roar on the reef all the time. Fine weather here & No Rain since January.

St Andrews Lat. 12° - 52' N Long. 81° 43' W

Friday May 8th

Turned too at 5 a.m. & had breakfast & then the crew went to work painting ship & fixing the sails & by 10 a.m. there were 3 boats along side with over 5000 nuts each & the Capt has bought all of his cargo. I got my trunks up on the quarter-deck & cleaned and aired all my clothes by noon & the Capt was ashore. In the P.M. The Capt of the Alice came along side & took me ashore & we had a fine time & we met Capt Fox & I came off with him & I saw some Cook shell divers getting shells, we will take in about 35000 today



Saturday May 9th

Turned too at 5.30 a.m. & had breakfast & then did not leave the schooner all day. The harbor here is about $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the reef to the land & from 6 ft to 75 ft. deep & we are laying in 48 ft. water & the bottom is just as clear as though there was no water can see the fish & the shells & sand on the bottom plain, & the sand is as white as this paper. We have plenty of fish, coconuts, oranges, mangoes, & pine apples. The Baptist Minister was off aboard the boat, this p.m. & Max Bouser is not in it he is half again as big & Capt & Mrs Ellis of the brig "Alice" were here & he invited us all to come to church & we are all going together. It has been calm ever since we got here & there is a brig outside for 3 days that cannot get enough wind to get in by the reef.

Pleasant all the a.m.,
showers all the p.m.

Sunday May 10th,

Turned too at 6 a. m. & had
breakfast at 6.30 & then I
had a bath & changed into
some clean cloths & then
wrote a short note to
Helen & Richard & was going
to write to Mama & Mami
but Capt Sam went ashore
after dinner & took the
mail & so I will not
get but two letters off
this time. I went ashore
for a while.
Capt Ellis & Capt Alson
came aboard in the
evening & we had a fine
time.

Fine Pleasant day

Monday May 11th.

Turned to at 6 & had breakfast & after that I did not have much to do so I ~~went~~ went all through my trunks & read all my old letters. One of the cocoa nut boats came along side at 3 P.M. with a large Turtle & they killed & cut him up & now we will have some more turtle meat he was about 3 ft by 2 ft. and is fine.

In the evening Capt Lane, Capt Roy & I went aboard the British Brig "Alice" & spent a pleasant evening with Capt & Mrs. Emiss & while we were there one of the big sail boats from shore went by singing & playing an accordion & playing drums & fiddle & it sounded very nice & we went home at 10 P.M.

Fine Pleasant day.

The Capt is making the Foresail larger by 3 ft.

Tuesday May 12th

Turned too at 5.30 & got
breakfast at 6.30 & then
I went in the big Cocoa
Nut boat N. & W. clear
around the Island to
South West Cove & got 6500
nut & I saw the greatest
formation of Coral reef
I ever saw & also saw
where the water had
worn a tunnel right
through a big high
rock & there was a large
sea lake in the Island
from it & I saw Pine
apples & Oranges, & all kinds
of fruit growing & did
not get back until 2.45
P. M. The Capt is still
working on the Forebail
They painted the top of
the Cabin & Cabin doors
today. Capt Ennis was aboard
all the evening.

Fine Pleasant day

Took in over 19000 Nuts today.

Wednesday May 13th.

Turned to at 6 a.m. & had breakfast & then went in the Cocoa Nut Boat N. & W. up to Home Island & got a load of nuts & got back at 2 P.M. The Mate went ashore to have his hand looked after by the Dr. for he has had a bad time with it for 2 weeks. The steward had a fine dinner ready for me when I came back. I got some pieces of Corval & some Cocoa Nut lace to take home. We took in over 29000 nuts today.

I took a picture of 4 Cocoa Nut boats along side loading us with Cocoa nuts.

Fine Pleasant day. a.m. & P.M.

Thursday May 14th

Turned too at 5.30 & had breakfast & then I sat around all day & did not go anywhere until night. The "Fredericka Shepp" the Brigantine went to sea at noon & had a hard time to get clear of the land by dark. She is bound for New York & we will finish loading today & expect to leave for Old Providence Island next Monday. We had a good hard shower at 3 P.M.

Capt Emis came aboard & staid to supper & Capt Sam & Capt V. went ashore in the little boat & I went with Capt Emis aboard his brig & then we went ashore & his boat & then we had to wait until the moon came up & I had to help row off, for there was no wind,

Fine Pleasant day in A.M.
Good shower in P.M.

Friday May 15th.

Turned too at 6 a.m. & had breakfast & then we sat around all the morning for there was no wind just Calm & Hot & The Mate & one of The Sailors went ashore to see the 10m. & The Mate has got to leave us here for he had a very sore hand & am cut it on a Copper tack. I went over to hire Key with the big N & W Boat & while the crew were getting some sand for the ship I went around the Island & got some Red & white Coral for there was lots of it all over the beach. Then I went aboard the schooner & Capt M. & Capt Sam went ashore in the little boat. The water is as smooth as glass as far as we can see. My last Parrot died & 2 of The Sailors.

Fine Pleasant Hot Day.

Saturday May 16th.

Turned to at 5 a.m. & had breakfast & then the Mate Mr. Dulkoff packed up his things & the big N & W boat came along side & Capt Sam & I & the Mate went to the North End & then we left the Mate ashore for he is too sick to go home & Capt Sam & I went to the Gaff 4 miles to the other end of the Island & I took a look around while Capt Sam settled up for the schooner & we did not get back until 3 p.m. & the Capt had all the outside painted & Capt Emis was aboard to supper & then the Capt & all went ashore & I staid aboard & took a bath & cleaned up for Sunday.

The Cook made five pies grated Cocoa Nut & then sliced orange & pineapple & then Cocoa Nut on top & no top crust.

Very Pleasant day
light shower in a.m.

Sunday May 17th,

Turned too at 6 a.m. & had breakfast at 7.30. Then the Capt went ashore & I got ready for Capt & Mrs. Eunis & they came alongside at 9 o'clock & I went with them to Capt Bradley's house & there we found saddle horses all ready for us & we rode up some very steep hills & through Cocoa Nut & Orange groves to the church which is about the center of the island & there found a fine large cool church about 100 ft x 70 ft. and a very nice one & I took a picture from the outside & the preacher is a very nice man & his sermon was on "The Pulpit was made of wood". Then we rode back to the Stankho & Capt & Mrs. Eunis & I went off in the boat & I went aboard the schooner & they went aboard their brig. From the church we had a fine view of the island & the reef & all the boats. I also took a picture of the party on horseback.

Fine Pleasant Day.

Monday May 18th

Turned too at 5.30 a.m. & about
 6 W. S. May came along side
 to see us before we left & he
 had breakfast with us & then
 they got the awning down & sails
 ready & Capt beam & Capt V.
 went ashore & cleaned & got
 their bill of health & then the
 Preacher sent me a dozen
 Eggs & Mangos & they were fine
 & also sent me a very nice
 note & the Capt came aboard
 at noon & we had dinner &
 by 1 o'clock we were under
 way & by 5 o'clock St Andrews
 was nothing but a speck
 astern, for we are diving
 into a head sea & wind,
 steaming NNE, & by morning
 we will be in Old Providence

Fine Pleasant day.

Tuesday May 19th,

Turned too at 5 a.m. & we were still pitching into a head sea but the current was so strong it had carried us clear to leeward of the Island & we sighted it about 7 a.m. & we had to make 8 tacks & did not come to anchor until 1 P.M. & then we were in a fine large harbor with St Elizabeth town at the east end & the old Pirate fort & Island to the north & mountain up to 2000 ft all around & a very pretty sight. We furled all sails & hung all the ropes in the rigging & got the decks all clean, washed down, got the paint all ready on deck & the water barrels ready for they are going to paint the schooner all over. Every thing ready for home & take in a water supply & leave for home Saturday May 23rd. Capt Davis family lives here & he went ashore. The fish man came around as usual & we had some fine fish for supper enough fish for 8 men, 3 meals for .20 cts.

Five Pleasant Day,
Shower at noon.

Wednesday May 20th

Turned too at 5.30 a.m. & had breakfast at 6.30 & then the Capt put all the me to work painting & I wanted to do some thing but he would not let me touch anything so all I could do was to sit around & watch the others work & I read awhile & went through my trunks. They have not had any rain here since last November & the hills are all dugged up & nothing growing at all. The Cocoa Nut trees have had some kind of an animal that has killed them all. They grow every thing here when there is rain - Cocoa Nuts, Bananas, Plantains, Oranges, Lemons, Limes, Cotton &c. I took a picture of Morgans (The Pirate) island & a large stone head they say looks like him. his old Cannons are still in his fort & are in sight. They got more than half the painting done.

Fine Pleasant day.

Thursday May 21st.

Turned too at 5.30 a.m. & had breakfast at 6.30 & then the men me to work to finish painting. The Roofs are straw color The Deck houses & Rails are white The trim is blue & the outside stripe orange & the name black & the wheel blue & it looks fine & we finished painting & have all our water in & are all ready to start for home as soon as the paint gets set & is dry. I got the steward to fix my raigon up for me & now I will be all night until I get home. The Capt & Sam have gone ashore. I had supper alone.

Lat. 13° Long. 81°

Fine day, shower at 6 a.m.

Friday May 22 d.

Turned too at 5 a.m. & had coffee & then the Capt shipped a man by the name of Dick Hawkins & he took the mates Room & then we took down the awnings & loosened sails, & hove short, set sails & went to sea.

Homeward Bound to Baltimore

& we have been diving into a head sea with a stiff NE breeze sending us through the water at a 10 knot clip all day & she has been shipping big seas for & aft & I got a good ducking this P.M. but we don't care for we are going home to the U.S. where people know how to live. we had two heavy squalls one at noon & one at 3 P.M.

Nice Day

Heading N by W.

Saturday May 23d, 183 miles.

Lat. 17- Long. 82-

Did not wake up until 6.30 a. m. & then when I got on deck we were still going towards home at a great rate & about 7 a. m. The Capt changed the course to NW by N $\frac{1}{2}$ N & then squared away & we have been ploughing through the water with a 10 knot breeze all day & tonight we are about ~250 miles north of old Providence & heading NW by N. I sat down on the main hatch this a. m. & was just about asleep when she shipped a big sea & I got it all where it was coiled up in some ropes. I had the best night's sleep that I have had for some time last night.

Fine day with a few squalls.

Sunday May 24th. 220 miles

Lat. $21^{\circ} 10''$ Long. $84^{\circ} 30'$
 Had another good night & got
 up at 6 a.m. & we were still
 going along at a good clip &
 by noon we were only 125
 miles from Cape St Antonio the
 west point of Cuba & we
 expect to see the Revolving
 light about midnight & then
 it will not be long before
 we get into the Gulf Stream
 & then will go along at 4 or
 5 knots an hour weather there
 is wind or not. I took a
 bath & changed clothes & also
 had a shave this a.m.
 This has been the finest
 day yet, not a cloud to be
 seen this a.m. & no sea on
 and a good 10 knot breeze.

NNW $\frac{1}{2}$ W

Fine day, no rain

Monday May 25th 128 miles

Lat. $22^{\circ} 10'$ Long. $85^{\circ} 10'$
 Turned too at 6 a.m. after a
 good night sleep but when I
 got on deck I found that the
 wind had died out calm at
 9 The night before & the
 current had carried us through
 the Yucatan Channel & we did
 not see Mexico or Cuba
 either & now we are in the
 Gulf of Mexico with a head
 wind & we have got to
 beat through Florida Straits
 350 miles to the eastward,
 we sighted a white Brig
 at 3 P.M. but she would
 not come up so we
 tacked off & left her,
 we think it was the "Alce"

N by W & E by S.

Fine day, No clouds
 or Rain

Tuesday May 26th, 160 miles

Lat. $23^{\circ}40'$ Long. $84^{\circ}45'$

Turned too at 6 a.m. & we were still diving into a head sea & The starboard tack but we went over onto the Port about 10 a.m. & we are in company with a white brig about 8 miles to seaward but cannot make her out a big freight steamer crossed our starboard quarter this a.m. heading W.

I don't do anything but lay around & sleep & smoke & walk the deck.

The cat, Fog Horn, Round turn cat gone.

NNE & SE,

Fine day. No Rain.

Wednesday May 27th, 120 miles

Lat. $24^{\circ} 30'$ Long. $83^{\circ} 30'$

Did not wake up until 6 a.m.
& then got up & had breakfast &
then went on deck & during the
night while they were going along
in a head sea & wind one
of the braces on the jibboom
went out but they fixed it
up in a short time with no
damage. The brig was in
sight on our lee beam for a
short time this a.m.

We were a little to the
west of Key West this
noon but have not seen
land since last Friday
Tacked twice.

Fine day. No Rain.

Thursday May 28th. 20 miles

Lat. $24^{\circ}50'$ Long. $82^{\circ}10'$
 came on deck at 5.15 a.m. & we
 had been side & side with the
 brig & she passed us at noon &
 at 10 a.m. 3 Tug boats towing
 barges of coal bound for Havana
 & they were soon hull down
 & about 3 o'clock a big 3
 masted schooner bound north
 on starboard tack but we
 caught her about 7 P.M. on our
 Port Tack we have tacked
 4 times today

Five days head wind
 No Rain,

Friday May 29th, 40 miles,

Lat. $24^{\circ} 10'$ Long. $81^{\circ} 10'$
 Came on deck at 5.30 A.M. after
 a Terrible night at 11 P.M. a storm
 struck us & they had to wear
 ship Reef the main sail & the
 braces on the jibbooms parted &
 I came up on deck & you could
 not move without taking hold
 of something for the wind was
 fearful & the seas were washing
 over the schooner from stern
 to stern & to make things nice
 the Capt. told me not to take
 my clothes off when I went
 to bed, we saw a light
 house on the coast of Florida
 & a steamer put her search
 light on us last night.
 This A.M. a Mongan Luvier
 passed us & we are in
 company with a barkentine &
 a 3 masted schooner,
 we expect to get around the
 point to morrow.
 we are in the Gulf stream &
 the Phosphorus at night is
 very fine!

Fine day 1 Shower.
 A.M.

Saturday May 30th, 180 miles,

Lat. $26^{\circ} 50'$ Long. $79^{\circ} 50'$

Turned out at 5.30 a.m. & came
on deck and we were still beating
to get around the point & when
we did get around the wind
came in dead ahead again &
that is very discouraging, we
are in company with the Brig
a 3 masted schooner & a bark
& another big black 3 masted
schooner crossed our bow
bound in to Florida, a big
Morgan Liner & a big freight
+ tramp steamer passed this
a.m. & a big 4 masted steamer
this p.m. I did a big washing
this p.m. 2 shirts, 2 undershirts
2 pair drawers 1 pair sock &c.
we were right off shore
all the afternoon could see
it plain This is
"Decoration Day" at home
& if it is as fine a day there
as here it is fine sure.

Fine Day, No Rain.

Sunday May 31st.

Lat. 27° - Long. $79^{\circ} 30'$
 Turned out at 6 a.m. after
 a bad night. No wind & we are
 in the doldrums or horse latitudes
 wind all over. The compass &
 no wind at all. The big sails
 blotting & the schooner pitching
 & rolling all night and it
 has been that way all day
 but tonight there is a big
 black cloud in the S.W. & we
 think we will get a fair
 wind out of it.

There was a big Spanish &
 a big American passenger
 steamer passed astern of us
 this a.m.

Dead Calm NNE

Monday ~~May~~ June 1st,

Lat. $29^{\circ} 30'$ Long. $79^{\circ} 40'$
Turned out at 6 a.m. after
another bad night No wind
just the same as yesterday
small breeze springing up at
5 P.M. No vessels in sight
all day just plenty Hot

Lead Calm

NNE.

Tuesday June 2d.

Lat. 32° - Long. $78^{\circ} 30'$
 Last night was a fearful night
 The worst thunder storm I have
 been for a long time & then
 calm before & after & all day up
 to about 3 P.M. there was a
 heavy storm to our Seeward &
 about 2 miles away was 2
 big water spouts & they lasted
 about $\frac{1}{2}$ hour each & then
 about 4 o'clock there was a big
 one just astern of us & we could
 hear the water going up & I
 tried to get a picture but it
 rained to hard & there was
 a double Rain bow & in the
 bow was a large 3 masted
 schooner loaded with lumber
 that we have been in
 company with all day bound
 North, we have had 3
 thunder storms today but no
 wind as yet to amount to
 anything. a big sea came
 aboard & took 18 Parrotkeets
 & 4 parrots & more left
 Fair day, NNE.

Wednesday June 3d.

Lat. 33° Long. $77^{\circ} 30'$
 Turned out this a.m. at 6
 o'clock to find us going along
 at a good rate with a head
 wind but that is better than a
 calm, we caught up & passed
 our chum the lumber
 schooner & now tonight we are
 very near up to a big 4-master
 we have been chasing all day.
 we caught 4 big dolphins they
 are about 3ft 6in long & very
 pretty all colors of little spots
 over a bright green &
 yellow skin. we are only
 150 miles from Cape Hatteras &
 375 " " Baltimore but
 the wind has gone back on
 us again. we had 2
 heavy thunder storms about
 midnight last night.
 The steward saved 3
 of his parrotkeets but they
 will not live.

Fine day E by S & W by N.

Thursday June 4th.

Lat. 34° Long. $76^{\circ} 40'$
 another bad night I could not
 sleep so I went up on deck &
 sat on the quarter for the
 slatting of the sails was
 fearful & there are thunder
 storms every night & this
 morning about 7^o A.M. there
 came a fine breeze that has
 sent us along at 10 knots
 all day & if it keeps up
 we expect to get to B.
 tomorrow for we are still
 in the Gulf stream & we
 expect to see Cape Hatteras
 light ship tonight.

Fine day A.M.
 Cloudy P.M.

~~N~~ NE by N

Friday June 5th.

Lat. 35° Long $77^{\circ} 10'$
 Turned to at 6 A.M. & came on deck a big steamer going south. Light winds all night. we sighted Cape Hatteras at 1 P.M. & Diamond Shoals Light ship at 3 P.M. & rounded in between light ship & Big black buoy & headed to the north towards Cape Henry 110 miles & when we get in there we will be safe.

This is Mamma's birthday & if I had been in would have telephoned to her. have see 5 large steamers 2 of them passenger boats today.

Rain off & on all day.

NE by E. & N by W.

Saturday June 6th.

Lat. $35^{\circ}50'$ Long. $75^{\circ}30'$
 No wind all night only made
 35 miles but this A.M. we got
 a good 6 knot breeze & we
 have been going wing & wing
 all day passed Rode Island
 light house at noon &
 Cuttyhunk light house at 8 P.M.
 & then it is only 40 miles to
 Cape Henry & 170 to B. up
 the bay & we expect to get
 in Sunday or Monday.

Fine day N by W $\frac{1}{2}$ W.

Sunday June 7th.

Lat. Long.
 Turned out at 5 A.M. & found
 that we came in by Cape Henry
 Fortress Murre & Old Point Comfort
 at 12.30 A.M. & now at 5 A.M.
 we have been bailing along
 for 24 hours wing & wing &
 have passed over 40 sailing
 vessels & about 16 steamers
 coming up Chesapeake bay
 we can see the west shore
 but not the East.
 when we were off the Potomac
 at noon we had a hard
 Thunder storm but we have
 had a fine breeze all day
 & will get to B. in the A.M.

Fair - Shower at Noon
 N by E.

Monday June 8th

Turned out at 4.30 A.M. to find us anchored in Annapolis bay about 100 ft from the "Iowa" "Hartford" & "Texas" U.S. Men-of-war & they was as fine a sight as I have seen for a long time all the sailors at work in white suits & we got up anchor & went up the bay to Baltimore & on the way 4 U.S. Torpedo boats came right by us & I got a picture & we went by the fort that the first Am flag was made at. we got to the wharf at 3 o'clock & then we had to wait for the Customs officer & I sent a telegram home at 5 P.M. I am going ashore & get a good square meal & then will sleep aboard tonight, we had a big Thunder & hail storm just as we got made fast. I got a picture of a big French Man-of-war as we came in. I got all my things through the Custom House all O.K.

Tuesday June 9th.

Turned out at 4 a.m. because the teams going by over the cobble stone pavement waked me up & I talked to the watchman awhile for the crew had all gone ashore the night before. I went back up town and had a good breakfast & then went down & packed my trunks & one barrel & sent them home by Adams Express & then the Capt & Mr Dix came down aboard the vessel & I met the owners. I went up to the Commissioners Office & signed off & got my discharge for sailor & then went down & went through the big B. D. R. R. power electric station just across from the schooner & there have 18 Horizontal Engines & 8 - 3000 H.P. Upright engines & Dynamos. I found I could get a through train to Boston on the Penn R. R. & I took the 5.50 train so I am on my way at last.

Fine day.

Wednesday June 10th.

I arrived in Boston at the Am. P. Co. Office at 9 A.M. & there met Murray Ballou & Ed Rake & then Mr W. called A. O. & up by telephone & told him I wanted to see him & I am to go to P. tomorrow then I went out to West Newton & called on Mr & Mrs. H. T. Allen & had a very pleasant time & then I went to call on the Burvages but they were out & then I went to see E. C. B. & had a nice time with him & joined the Allen's school Alumni & got candy & books. In the evening I took a ride on the underground & Elevated R.R. & went out to Malden & went to John Parbelle's House & spent the night & had a fine time

Thursday June 11th.

waked up this a.m. in the first good night rest I have had for a long time went to bed at John Parsells house last night & at about 12 after having a nice evening with him & his family & this a.m. we had breakfast & John & I came to Boston & I went to The Am. P. Co. Office & got their R.R. Ticket & went to Plymouth & there Orville met me at the train & he drove me home & we had a nice long talk & I met Mary & her husband & Mattie & I staid to dinner & had a fine time & came back to B. at 3 P.M. & I took a picture of Orville & Mattie on the front porch & also the house with Orville on the porch.
I came to B. & went out to Concord on The Electric car

Friday June 12th.

waked up this morning in The Colonial Hotel in Concord what used to be Sumner's House & then had breakfast & went out to see my old friends in Concord went up by my old home & up to the R.R. & then came back & called on the Gurgous & from there to the Eatons & will be there again Sunday night & went & saw Adams Tolman & am to be at " " to dinner Sunday & then went & saw the Holdens & Hosmery & had a talk with John Friend & got some views at Whitcomb's & then took the car for Graynard & saw Howell & had dinner with his family & he showed me every thing & then I took the car back to B. but it rained hard & I could not go to the Allens school alumni. Concord has changed very much.

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Names of Passengers on

10.45 O.W.

19.25 ticket

450 Berth

23.75

Steamer "Alleghany" & Address.

Names of Passengers & Officers

on steamer "Alleghany."

Cartagena, Republic of Colombia,

South America & its rights.

Cocoa Nuts
Cargo of John A. Matheson.

Apr	23	Cardee of San Blas Point		14 053	
"	24	" " " "		9 577	
"	25	" " " "		7 24	
"	27	River de Abalo.		6 034	
"	28	" " "		2 544	
"	29	Cardee.		2 229	
"	30	"		12 977	
May	2	Playen Lama. Mr Hurd		11 860	
"	4	" " " "		6 041	
"	5	" " " "		10 670	76709
"	8	St Andrews (3 boats)		31 431	
"	9	" " (4 ")		35 998	
"	10	" " (4 ")		30 385	
"	12	" " (3 ")		19 937	
"	13	" " (4 ")		29 785	
"	14	" " (5 ")		31 000	
				255,245	

Total	San Blas	76 709
"	San Andrews	178 536
	Total -	255,245

Capt. A. B. Tany.
1st Officer Chas. Dullkoff.

Steward Joseph A. Wilber.

Crew,		
Chow	Galaw	Colored.
J. Re		"
Honace	Allison	"
Mayer	Culley	"

(Wick Hawkins Colombian
shipped in Old Providence.

Leo Humm	white	<u>Boy</u>
R. G. Fay	"	Seaman.

Book of Papers of steamer pins to M. R. + H
by Mr. + Mrs. Randall.

No.	Letters	From	
1	Mama	New York	Feb 13
2	Mary	" "	" "
3	Rich	" "	" "
4	Helen	" "	" "
5	Mama	Fortune Islands	17
1	L. M. G.	Jamaica	" 18
x	6 Mary	" "	" "
x	7 Rich	" "	" "
o	8 Mama	Cartagena	25
2	L. M. G.	"	28
	9 Mama	"	28
	10 Helen	"	Mar 7
	11 Mary	"	" 8
1	Park Wilson	"	" 8
	12 Richard.	"	" 15
	13 Mama	"	" 24.
1	Harry Hounbe	"	" "
1	Bessie Ball.	"	" "
1	Mrs. P. F. Pensell.	"	" "
3	L. M. G.	"	Apr 12
1	Sam Tracy	"	" "
	Mr + Mrs. Randall.	"	" "
14	Mama	"	" 15
15	"	Porto Bello	" 19
A	"	Playa Dama	May 4
16	Richard	"	" "
17	Helen	"	" "
18	Richard	"	" 10
19	Helen	"	" 10

Montimer & Wisner
68 Beaver St. N.Y. City.

W. J. C. Michael
600 East Pratt St.
Baltimore, Md.
agent of schooner

Wm Ashpurvis
night watchman.
40 Wall St. N.Y. City.
any time after 6 P.M.

See above for
Chas. Dulkoff.

Mate of John A Matheson

Photographs.

- | No. | |
|---------------|--|
| ✓ 1 | Liberty statue from steamer |
| ✓ 2 | a Passing steamer N.Y. Harbor |
| ✓ 3 | a steamer that passed us. |
| ✓ 4 | The wake from steamer of steamer |
| ✓ 5 | Looking aft on steamer upper 10, |
| ✓ 6 | " Forward " " " " |
| ✓ 7 | The officers of the "Alleghany." |
| ✓ 8 | Myrtle Bank Hotel. |
| ✓ 9 | " " " view, North |
| ✓ 10 | " " " " South |
| ✓ 11 | steamer "Alleghany" at Jamaica. |
| ⊙ 12 | steward of " " |
| ⊙ 13 | " " " " |
| ✓ 14 | Governors House Cartagena. |
| ✓ 15 | statue in front Roberto Glaser. |
| ✓ 16 | Church in front of Governors Palace |
| ✓ 17 | " Door " " " " |
| ✓ 18 | Engine & Train at wharf. |
| ✓ 19 | a City wall gate, Out-side. |
| ✓ 20 | " " " " Inside. |
| ✓ 21 | The "Inquisition" Building |
| 22 | Park & " " |
| ✓ 23 | a small Park + statue, North |
| ✓ 24 | Old stone church. |
| ✓ 25 | Custom House officers on Alleghany. |
| ✓ 26 | V. S. Topoka at Jamaica. |
| ✓ 27 | Bark going to wharf Jamaica. |
| ✓ 28 | Train at Savanilla. |
| ✓ 29 | Mr. Goddard, Porter & |
| ✓ 30 | Engine & Car Savanilla. |
| ✓ 31 | Coal steamer Nieth at Jamaica |
| ✓ 32 | Royal Mail "Trent" |
| ✓ 33 | statue in North Park. |
| 34 | City clock & Gate |
| ✓ 35 | La Popa from Castle Grande. |
| ✓ 36 | Loading Cattle on French steamer |

Photographs.

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- ✓ 37 Castele Grande, Haynes & Cook.
 ✓ 38 " " " " " & Magazine
 ✓ 39 " " Old sea Fort.
 ✓ 40 " " Haynes & I in Tent.
 ✓ 41 " " from boat.
 ✓ 42 " " Goddard Anderson H. & S. & Joe
 ✓ 43 " " Magazine
 ✓ 44 Capt Hoase & 2 friends at Hotel.
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Stock taken from Mills.
 Size Labels. F G 500
 Duck Labels. 1000
 Size Labels. FFG 200
 " " FFFG 1500
 Seal " Quarter Kegs. 1400
 " " Kegs 500
 Tape for 2500 packages.
 Dory Paste 1 Can.
 Sponges.
 Charcoal skin.
 Working Apron.
 Cotton waste.
 1/2 Doz. Paste Brushes.
 1/2 " Paint "
 1/2 " Varnish "
 2 Putty Knives.
 1 Can Opener, + Cork screw.
 1 Monkey wrench.
 15 Paint Brushes.

Kind of milk

want prices on

1/2 lb + 1 lb + 6 1/4 lb + 12 1/2 Cans

c/o M. A. DeLeon

Maritime Bldg NY

