

windward of us. We then tacked about, and made toward her.— Our flag was hoisted as a signal for speaking, upon which she came directly down on us. She no sooner drew nigh us, than we hailed and asked from whence she came. Those on board answered, from a six months cruise in the West Indies. We asked, how long they had been out. They replied twenty-nine or thirty days, and that they had had some calms. They told us that they were bound to the Isle of Man, and that their cargo was rum. Our Captain asked the Captain if he would sell, and if he might board her. It was answered that he might. Immediately the tackles were clapped to the yawl, and four of the hands and one Capt. Wilson, who was a passenger aboard of us, designed for Boston, who was deputed by our Captain to transact business for him, went in her. The other vessel backed her sails and lay to for our boat. After some time the boat came aboard again with some rum. We backed our sails and lay to the mean while. The other having fallen a great way to the stern of us, she filled her sails again, and lay along side of us in a little time. A great number of our passengers who had expended their liquor, asked if they might send their kegs on board for some rum. Leave was granted, but no sooner was the boat got aboard the other, than our Captain cried out to the man whom he had deputed as his agent to pay for the rum which he had bought and come on board. The passengers had sent their money, the price being about three shillings per gallon, but whenever it was brought on board, the Captain seized it as his own and intended to sell it to the passengers for six shillings per gallon. This very much mortified the passengers.

"A very remarkable accident happened on the hoisting of our yawl on board, for when they made fast the tackles to each end, they forgot to make her fast at the same time by a painter, which neglect very nearly occasioned the loss of two men and the boat.— The boat slipped the tackles and so fell off with two of the men.— She no sooner turned upside down, than the two got on the keel of her and so went afloat. The ship being under sail made the saving of them the more impossible. Nevertheless a rope was cast, which was missed by one of the men. The boat fell astern, when a second rope was thrown out which the man upon it got hold of and he was hauled on board.

"Wednesday, August 1. We sailed due west, the best course near our departure. The breeze continued with us for 24 hours, and before night there came on as great rain as we had almost since our departure. We all got up to get some of the rain water. I got very little and was very wet.

Thursday, 2nd. The wind came round to the north which drove us on our right course, viz, westwardly, but this did not continue long, which very much discouraged me. However, I endeavoured to exercise a holy patience and submission to the Will of God, for though things did not conspire to deliver from this state, yet I found it to my advantage and real good, "He doeth all things well." This day was what we call our market day, which did not happen on any one day of the week particularly, because they made two days in every week. The Captain ordered us to get but four pounds of bread to every individual, whereas our full allowances