Mon. Dec. 2nd
Off New Inlet, cruised as usual, served out clothing, the "Mount Vernon" prize sail for the north this morning

Tues Dec. 3rd
Off New Inlet, cruised as usual, overhaul of sail, she was from New York for Port Noogat, quite cloudy, and rain

Wed Dec. 4th
Off New Inlet, cruised as usual, about daylight, we made sail. Beating in close under Smith's Island, we immediately beat to Quatie's sand and down and tried to cut her off from the Inlet they seeing this, they made for Bubbards Bay, and before we were near enough to prevent it, she struck. Just as we were about to fire upon her, another sail was reported out at sea. we gave chase. we profiled to her with our Darling. when we came to, we were soon alongside in answer to our hail. the captain said the schooner is yours. I tried to run in but could not. she was called the Emma Jettle, of and from Glassaw, N.B. the "Mount Vernon" in the mean time was shelling the stranded schooner. About 10 o'clock we arrived at our anchorage with our prize. Soon after the daylight came in with a prize in tow, captured this morning, after driving one on shore at Modoc Shoe we then took the two prizes in tow, and started for Beaufort. blowing quite fresh and raining slightly

Thurs Dec. 4th
Last night about 11 O'clock, we saw sail give chase, and captured the Schooner J. F. Talbot, trying to run the Blockade we took her in tow, making three prizes. About 4 O'clock, our Klawer parted, that delayed us about four hours, when we made all right again and started our way. we arrived off Beaufort about 9 O'clock P.M. when we cast the Emma Jettle loose. She proceeded on her way north in charge of master Nathaniel Drager. we stood in for Beaufort with the other two prizes in tow, passing the steamers "Guide" and "Marathan" outward bound. we arrived safely in Beaufort with our two prizes, wind north.

Fri Dec. 5th
At Beaufort, raining all day, we took 2 sail schooners alongside and began to coal ships. the wind sailed the south and blowing quite strong.

Sat Dec. 6th
At Beaufort, coaling ship. Cleared off colder. arrived of the John Adams and capital, put in for coal.
Sun. Dec 7th
At Beaufort we finished coaling ship about midnight. This is the coldest day of the season and I was so cold that I wished I were at home. In the morning we left Beaufort and proceeded to Hampton Roads. The weather was cold and the wind was from the north.

Mon. Dec 8th
At Beaufort this morning we were getting up steam. We found a leak in one of our boilers and were obliged to take all the coal out of one of the bunkers to repair the leak. A tug brought in our stores. At 10 A.M. two of our men attempted to desert, but they were arrested and brought back.

Tues. Dec 9th
At Beaufort we repaired the leak in the boiler and loaded the coal. The Capt. visited Fort Monroe, Greg and Patent Money. I was served out with a good supply of food.

Weds. Dec 10th
About 8 O'clock this morning all hands were called to anchor, and we were soon lowering the anchor. We proceeded to Hampton Roads where we arrived at 4 O'clock in the afternoon.

Thurs. Dec 11th
Off New Inlet. We communicated across the shoals.

Fri. Dec 12th
Off New Inlet. Fine day. We transferred a part of our coal to the 'Mount Vernon' and the 'Sunlight' and prepared for leaving the 'L. V.' in tow of us up.

Sat. Dec 13th
About 9 O'clock last night we anchored and started for Hampton Roads in tow of the 'L. V.' About 4 O'clock P.M. we made Cape Hatteras, a very rough sea, bound south. Weather fine.

Sunv. Dec 14th
About 9 O'clock we made Cape Henry and at 1 O'clock we anchored off Fort Monroe. Our Capt. reported to the Admiral. In the evening we found the 'Young Rover' and 'Mystic' and the English sloops 'Racer' and 'Rinaldo.' About 4 O'clock, the 'Colorado' arrived. The 'Admiral' left the Admirals.

Monv. Dec 15th
This morning we were visited by the Admiral and staff. We were surveyed and they concluded to repair her here. Workmen went immediately to work upon the boilers. To-day our dingy went up to
Nov. 20th. Sailed from New York for Hampton Roads.

Nov. 21st. Reached Hampton Roads. Sailed for Hampton Roads on November 21st.

Nov. 22nd. Reached Hampton Roads. Sailed for Hampton Roads on November 22nd.


Nov. 27th. Reached Hampton Roads. Sailed for Hampton Roads on November 27th.

Nov. 28th. Reached Hampton Roads. Sailed for Hampton Roads on November 28th.

Nov. 29th. Reached Hampton Roads. Sailed for Hampton Roads on November 29th.

Nov. 30th. Reached Hampton Roads. Sailed for Hampton Roads on November 30th.


Dec. 5th. Reached Hampton Roads. Sailed for Hampton Roads on December 5th.


Dec. 8th. Reached Hampton Roads. Sailed for Hampton Roads on December 8th.


Dec. 18th. Reached Hampton Roads. Sailed for Hampton Roads on December 18th.


At sea, we have had a fine run with a light breeze and smooth sea. About 5 o'clock we rounded Cape Hatteras, passed several sails bound south.

Weds. Dec. 24th
Off New Inlet we arrived last night about 11 o'clock. In the confusion on our arrival the "Penobscot" and "Genesee" collided but did not damage each other. A great deal.

Thurs. Dec. 25th
Off New Inlet. This being Christmas I think of the table at home. Our carpenters went on board of the "Penobscot" to repair damages of fine day.

Fri. Dec. 26th
Off New Inlet. Thick and misty. About 9 o'clock we picked up a boat containing three refugees, one of my acquaintances, I ago, after leaving them on board, we ran up the coast opposite place he lived and fired a gun to let his people know that he was safe on board, they speak of very hard times in Dixie.

Sat. Dec. 27th
Off New Inlet, cruised around as usual, fine weather but very lonesome in the absence of news, and we all have the blues.

Off New Inlet, cruised around as usual, one of the refugees to the "Chesapeake" and the other two at Beaufort. 5 o'clock P.M. got under way, ran in close to the land, anchored for the night.

Mond. Dec. 28th
Off New Inlet, cruised as usual about 5 o'clock. At 9 o'clock a sail appeared, we ran out to view a Master Schooner for this station about 4 o'clock, the supply steamer "Blackstone" arrived, after delivering our stores she sailed for the south.

Tues. Dec. 29th
Off New Inlet, got under way about 2 bells, stood up the coast, about 11 o'clock we picked up a boat containing six men, they came out from Macon. About 12 o'clock, we spoke the "Penobscot" sent three of the men on board, we returned to our station came to anchor about 4 o'clock.

Wed. Dec. 30th
Off New Inlet, at anchor all day, very rough, ship rocking heavily all day, very cloudy.

Thurs. Jan. 1st 1863
Off New Inlet, got under way at 2 bells. Cruised up the coast, about 11 o'clock. A sail reported, we overhaull'd her, a Master Schooner from Hampton.