

Journal of Seaman's  
Sabbath School

July 7, 1844 to

Nov 9, 1845

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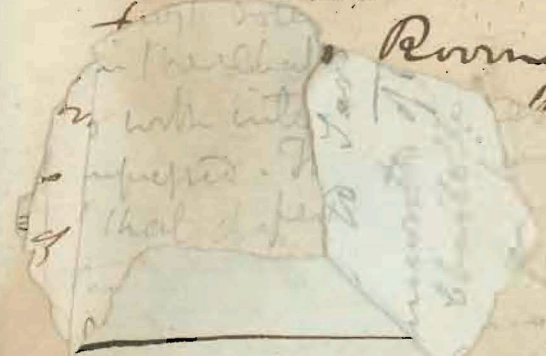
Travelling Church of our Saviour  
for Seamen in Port of New York.

July 7, 1844. The attendance of Seamen  
the last Sunday both morning and after-  
noon was greater than at any time  
hitherto. A large number of books

Hailin's Manuals were given out.  
say, 25 of the former 30 of the latter.

Many persons were prayed for going to  
the water returned for several arrived from  
sea.

James Sullivan <sup>first</sup> returned from Apalachicola  
was at Church this day July 7, 1844 and  
came to the Communion. This man was  
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at the communion appearing deeply affected. The attendance this day at the Chapel was very crowded and many sailors were present in the morning and the afternoon.

About 30 books were given out and 25 manuals.

I received the last week a letter from the Chaplain at the Navy Yard for 300 manuals, to be given aboard.

X The Bambridge for the ships in the United States Service in the Mediterranean. I was sorry I had not the means then to supply them.

Received also a very interesting Revd. Revd St. ...  
home. ...

July 16. 1844

Some tracts put into the hands of 2 of the crew of the Prince Albert on her last voyage - They deeply interested and affected those men. They read them silently on the voyage & were anxious to read them to the crew. The vessel was one day without any company, method & theme. Keep them away. This was often repeated - The men continued to read them and pray alone. He returned a few days since & came to the Chapel. They stayed at the Port of ... for ... The names of the men were Henry Brown & Frederic Parsons. He went home deeply affected with religious feelings. They were very particular in requesting several times that prayer might be offered for them at Church the last Sunday.

July 14. 1844. Revd. Bishop ... I have preached a most solemn & affecting Sermon this morning in the Chapel. It was over worn long & was listened to with intense interest. Many were deeply impressed. The number of sailors was very large & that of female ... but one ... About 20 ...

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History in its simplest ...  
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4 July 21, 1844

Attendance in morning 2/3 of service. In afternoon  
gave out 30 manuals & 18 books -  
Read in boxes for mission -  
Books

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Gave 10 manuals to English Protestant  
missionaries on Hudson River  
Performed Service Friday July 12<sup>th</sup> at  
6 at All Saints. Very service at  
at 6 P.  
Performed service at all Saints  
July - 26 1844.

Aug. 4. 1844. Rev Mr. Allen of Phila.  
delphia preached in morning by my invitation  
in the afternoon by his own.

A large number of persons prayed for.  
250 Seamen present in morning 175 in afternoon  
a full attendance both parts of the day.

30 manuals, 20 books distributed -

July 26, 1844. Married at my house  
William Irving of New York to Sarah  
Ann Mann of Boston. In afternoon of the  
wed 5<sup>th</sup>. - office together with Charlotte  
Pots 3 bibles. Bibles to hands  
Steam boat Indecorad,  
gave books on Monday July 21 to hands  
board Bank, for books & manuals

August 11, 1844. At singing a card was  
presented to me in the morning by Mr. Deering in  
having on it the name of Rev. Dr. Seaver by (late  
Captain Seaver, author of Seaver's voyage in  
the polar seas, who died suddenly while on  
the coast and asked to preach which he did  
on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July. He had done instead of in the  
of August



Dr. Sewerby is Vicar of Bradford Yorkshire England  
having 150,000 souls in the precinct of his parish with 57,000  
He is a man of science, and an eloquent preacher.

Devotion prayed for this day.

Officers seven of Brig Glades for Canton

D. Dr. - - Bark Grafton Canton

Oscar Hoffman of Brig Adelaide for Rio de  
Janeiro desires prayer for God's merciful protection  
thru in the deep.

2 men of Prince Albert bound to London.

for Capt Royal Officers seven of ship Great  
Britain on return passage from Liverpool  
Augustus H. Ginn's return thanks for presence  
on his passage from Liverpool in ship Maudslayi  
His name was enforced by Bishop Brownell  
the day before he sailed.

Moses Williams of Brig Alfred bound to Cuba

2 men of ship Superior arrived here from London  
return thanks

Joseph Matford of ship Rio Grande from New  
Orleans for London having put ashore 8 days  
since in ~~off~~ Liverpool having sprung a leak return  
thanks to Almighty God in his house for his  
great mercy in preserving his life from the  
peril to which it was exposed.

Joseph Carpenter having just recovered from  
a dangerous sickness in the Hospital return thanks  
to Almighty God for his great mercy towards him -  
in his preservation

William Doane being sick & just returned from  
sea, desires your prayers

Joseph Matford going to sea in Bark Gleaner  
bound to Hull England desires your  
prayers that God would mercifully preserve  
him from the dangers of the sea. (The man  
was in ship Rio de Janeiro from New Orleans  
to London, having sprung a leak the ship put  
in here in Liverpool 10 days since)

Prayers of this congregation are requested for  
John Smith gone to Halifax in Schooner Mary Jane  
for Officers seven of ship Zenobia bound to  
Munich Reido & Calcutta.

for Officers seven of Bark - Madonna -  
for coast of Africa bound to Savannah  
for William Gilpin bound to Savannah  
and Schoner Eliza - all these in one day

Aug. 10. 1844 In the morning I preached to  
a large number of Sailors. The house had but  
few land people and only about 25 females,  
one man. Oscar Hoffman returned thanks  
for a gracious preservation by Almighty God  
from destruction at sea. He was in a ship  
from New Orleans bound to London, which  
sprung a leak after being 27 days out  
in a violent gale. Unable to keep her clean  
by the pumps she put into this port yesterday  
in distress & how he wished the presence  
to join with him in praising the Lord for  
saving his & the lives of the Officers seven  
of this sinking ship -



Aug. 18. 1844.

In the afternoon Rev. Dr. Levesley Vicar of Bedford preached. The house was again crowded and a large number of sailors were present though not a larger number than were present the last Sunday morning and afternoon.

After service Mr. J. G. Stuyvesant who with his wife was present both Dr. Levesley and myself came to tea with him, in his carriage which was at the door. Mrs. Sanders of Portsmouth called at 8 in Evg & took him to his home for the night.

During the last 3 weeks week I have written no less than 5 articles long and short for the paper on the subjects of Dr. Levesley & the Awakening Church. one of which given forth a very able editorial, on the subject of the present condition & prospects of sailors in the Town Sun of August. 14, 1844. one of the articles I prepared is inserted with a beautiful wood cut of the Awakening Church in the Ladies Companion - for Sept. 1844.

Contribution in the boxes at the Chapel this day

for Missions	4.24
Books	9.91
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	14.35

August 25. 1844. I was absent in the west of New York and Rev. Dr. Schweder preached & officiated all day. The attendance was full and encouraging & the services interesting.

Sept. 1. 1844. I officiated all day. After the house was filled this morning 2/3 or full of sailors a larger number of them sleep alone than I have ever seen together there at one time without some exciting course greater than common - After divine service in the afternoon - a seaman or young man of about 27 without a coat in a green baize shirt came up to me at the Chapel veil while the books were being given out and said -

Sir I should like to speak to you - Well my friend was my reply. what would you say. He hesitated for some time at last with a trembling in all his frame from the mental effort, he said loudly. Sir I should like to join the pledge - meaning the pledge of the Temperance Society. I have neglected it too long already. This led to an interesting interview with this poor fellow who was now perfectly sober and whose heart seemed to have been touched by something he had heard in the sermon or witnessed in the service.

There was present to day an interesting man with whom I had the following conversation. He was dressed in a light drab belvelles clothes, some little though not much soiled by work. Well my friend I said as I seated myself beside him in the seat before the service How long since you reached this port. only yesterday



he respectfully replied, I belong to the Engine  
department of the Great Western from Liverpool  
and got into port only yesterday. We have had  
hardly time to clean up and get on our  
Sunday clothes, but I thought your reverence  
would not object to my coming to thank the  
Lord for his mercy in preserving me on the ship  
though I did not look quite as clean as the  
other men I see here. By no means, I replied.  
You see Sir he continued I did not like to stay  
away when I had nothing to do. You sent  
me some books & tracts on board the last voyage  
and your little hand bills with the picture of  
your church & as we had to work pretty hard  
I lost all the boiler night after the voyage I have  
not had time to get myself fit to come here  
but I hope you will excuse it. Certainly my  
friend I replied. This house was built expressly  
for men. I situated just as you were, I wish  
you always to feel as if you had a home  
here, bow your head to God whether you have  
a clean suit or your working clothes  
as to do it in. Will your reverence then  
please to put my request with others to  
return thanks to God in the public prayers  
he asked, O yes certainly & I hope when  
you go again to sea you will come here  
to visit me and ask me to do the prayers  
of the congregation for your preservation. I will  
he replied.

The name of this man is John Melman  
of the Engine department of Steamers Great  
Western from Liverpool.

Sept 8. 1844. The house was well filled  
this day with seamen say 1/2 full  
this morning with seamen.  
I preached all day. Gave out 30 books  
& 25 <sup>Mammals</sup> <sup>the afternoon</sup> <sup>Large number</sup>  
<sup>given</sup> <sup>prayed for</sup> <sup>25 of</sup> <sup>specimens</sup> <sup>as</sup> <sup>tracts</sup> <sup>inter</sup> <sup>present</sup>  
Sept. 22. 1844. Revd. T. Edison preached  
for me in the morning. I preached  
in the afternoon & read the service in the  
morning. Five of Lieutenants of Spencer &  
Lt. Revenue Cutters, then in the Dock  
Liverpool, present with 25 or 30 of  
the men. Gave them tracts & books.

Sept 25. 1844 I preached all day.  
Several of Spencer's men with two lieutenants  
present. Gave them some books  
and tracts. Obtained at 3 different  
times within the last 6 weeks. one of  
the copies yesterday, 18 copies of the  
Power of Religion by Lindley Murray, &  
gave the seamen. Visited several trades  
houses this week. conversed with several  
men.



Sept 29. 1844. Rector's Boarding house,  
the last week. Alexander Foster John Guebbles  
Bourtable, Dyer Gellston. None in church  
It and lathered with men

A large number of seamen were present  
the last 2 Sunday. Morning and afternoon  
2/3 of attendants in morning were seamen  
This day, was the time-gale. The parts of the Chapel  
were broken by a very high tide. Communion  
was administered. There was a great deal  
of motion in the house and it rained in  
torrents all day. But few persons besides  
seamen were present

Had an eroble conversation with several  
men. One in particular

Henry Bonnel of Port Alexandria in

Baltimore. Lent to him Pictorial

Bible and Clarke's gathered fragments

1 Communion added. Inf. Spring this  
day. Twelve persons communed in  
the midst of the terrific gale, which  
made so much motion & the rain so  
much more that I found it difficult  
to be heard and to stand up at times.

Sept 29. 1844

A larger number of persons have been  
prayed for & have returned thanks than  
I have known before. (During the last week)

Seamen are accustomed every week & sometimes  
every day in the week to come & spend time  
at the chapel reading religious books &  
I often have opportunities of meeting them  
there. I generally go to the Chapel  
every day on my way down town on  
house 500 Tracts and 200 Dailys Manuals  
have been given out within the last  
6 weeks

Abailin who had been reading from Paris  
works last voyage came to the Chapel this  
week to ask for Tracts. Several Bibles were  
given out through the last 2 weeks and  
3 prayer books.

Sept 30. 1844. Gave to Revd Horatio Southgate  
our Church Missionary to Constantinople -

10 copies Sailors Manual

10 copies Engraving of Floating Church of our  
Lawson to show to the Greeks, Syrians, & Greeks  
nestorians "arise and come to us in Constantinople -"  
"gave to Revd Mr Stewart for the U.S. Pub  
Office for coast of Africa - 2 weeks since

25 Sailors Manuals. Revd Mr Southgate

Revd Mr Christian Humble. Revd Mr Revella  
& Revd Mr Barwell. were at Chapel  
Monday Sept 30. 1844.

Reprinted in copy of Sept Dec. 1. 1844 at 234 Henry St. in Revd Mr Southgate  
Catherine Maria, Fairchild, & of Michael K. Erben & his wife  
John Maitland, one week old & Margaret Otley -



14  
Oct. 5, 1844 Attended funeral of Henry Cuhorn  
A Et 40. Visited 2 sick persons at Boarding House,

~~Boarding~~  
Oct. 6. Preached and performed service  
all day. The right side of the house  
was filled with seamen. In the afternoon  
a still larger number attended. The  
pews in the middle aisle were  
not used, although the stoves were  
occupied by worshippers.  
Gave out about 25 manuals & 75¢  
dollars worth of books.

Charles Grant returned from Hospital  
returned thanks for recovery from sickness.

Had this day Oct. 7, 1844 conversation  
with Henry Johnson on the subject of religion

Oct. 8, 1844, at 4 P. M. attended funeral  
of Mrs Agneaux from No 43 Henry St

Oct 9, 1844 Baptized at House of 43 Henry St  
of Michael L. Erben & of his wife  
Margaret Otley then infant twins  
1 week old; one ~~strong~~ sick  
- Catherine - Maria - (Erben)  
Julia Matilda - (Erben)

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During the last week visited Mrs Agneaux  
wife of John Agneaux 43 Henry St  
near her end - twice - before her  
death and prayed with her

October 9, 1844  
This day gave Mr Osborn order on  
Mr. Edgar of Boston for 34 reams of  
paper to print a second edition of  
5000 of the Sailors Manual on  
my account <sup>Oct 11, 1844</sup> Paid Mrs Agneaux from  
47 Henry St A Et. 57.

1844  
Ship Fishburg picks up, 26 August. vessel from  
New Orleans. Boat with 6 men in it who had been  
without food for 13 days.  
Bank Engineer's case, in gale of 29<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1844  
New sinking in north river from opening of piers 25  
days at Manhattan 7 feet of water in the lots 50 men  
sent to help him. <sup>Mr. Water</sup> cut up <sup>upwards to 100 ft</sup> <sup>dam</sup> <sup>found</sup>  
ran up to the bill, in the caulking -

Oct 13, 1844 - A full attendance of  
seamen in morning say 200 men  
In afternoon - a very crowded congregation  
observed from of fine ladies, wife of Captains  
of vessels at sea, wife of Ship Dart on  
her homeward voyage from Canton asked  
for prayers next Sunday for Captains  
& crew, - Collection, mission 5.58 Books 9.30



On Evening of October 11, 1844, Baptized  
2 children twins, one week old, of -  
Mr. Michael Erben <sup>original</sup> & his wife of All Saints  
Church - at ~~St~~ Henry St.

Oct 13, 1844 Gave out at Chapel 27  
books, 31, Manuals, & Devotion 4 bibles 5  
prayer Books - preached both parts of the  
day and in the Evg at Calvary Church  
for Revd Mr Lewis.

Oct 17, 1844 Visited several boarding houses,  
this week - In Evg of this day <sup>at 7 o'clock</sup> George  
Edward Hill a sailor <sup>27 years old</sup> of the  
Schooner Lyon, Capt Lemay, to return  
thanks to God for his merciful preservation  
from Shipwreck. On the Evg of Oct 14, 1844  
at Dorchester the mate & he on the look out in  
the <sup>in of track</sup> track off Barnegatt Inlet, near the  
Cape of Delaware the Schooner Lyon  
was run down by the Schooner Brilliant  
now lying at the Battery in New York  
where she <sup>arrived yesterday</sup> arrived yesterday <sup>morning</sup> with her  
Prowsport <sup>with the Lyons crew</sup> carried away. <sup>in numbers</sup> She struck the

Schooner Lyon midships & stove her  
in - cutting her almost in two - Her  
Prowsport <sup>forward</sup> went through the Lyon  
The men & in number - slung  
to the Prowsport - then entangled in  
the <sup>Lyon</sup> Digging spars - The Captain with  
the <sup>Lyon</sup> full of water attempted  
to save his watch and nearly lost his  
chance of getting on to Portland  
Prowsport - ~~George~~ George Edward  
Hill held him by the hand & just  
saved his life, as the moment the  
Lyon went down - & the Prowsport  
was carried away just as he was  
taken from it on board, as the Schooner  
Lyon sank. Saved from a watery  
grave by God's hand - this sailor -  
came to my room this Evg with one  
from Sexton James Rowe to converse  
with me. He wished from this time  
to surrender himself for life to the  
service of God thru Jesus Christ.  
His mother had told him when in a  
danger at sea call upon Almighty God



He ~~was~~ done so this prayer ~~had~~ been heard  
While hanging to the Pilliant's Pouch  
before it gave way he did so - God heard  
his prayer. He had been an intemperate  
at man. till he came to our chapel  
last August. He remembered my giving  
him the Sailor's Manual of Devotion  
He had been made a deacon by <sup>it</sup> as also  
by some trusts. He received on that day  
He had heard of the Chapel. He begged his captain  
to let him attend <sup>the chapel</sup>. He was permitted.

He now could not go to sea again without  
coming to see me. He had lost every thing  
his Manual, prayer book & trusts. he had  
lost all the clothes he owned except what  
he had on. He was standing without shoes  
when the Pilliant struck the Lyon. &  
had two shoes when he arrived here but  
had been supplied by a gentleman. He had  
no money & nothing to pay his board &  
was obliged to ship immediately again  
& was tomorrow morning at early to  
sail in the Brig Unity for Norfolk &  
Athalachida. He was desirous of  
being baptized in the Name of the Lord

Jesus & before he went to sea. As the sick  
utterance and streaming eyes of the poor  
fellow gave me strong evidences of his  
sincerity, after some conversation I  
consented, as there was no time to be  
lost, and he was so near to be on  
the deep <sup>almost reaching port at</sup> the south, to administer  
that holy rite which I have learned  
me. The on chapel was some distance  
and the access in the evening not convenient  
I applied and had All Saints Church <sup>opposite my dwelling</sup>  
opened for the purpose, by the sexton who  
furnished me with lights for the Chancel.  
Here with Mr. G. C. Morgan - Mrs. Forster  
the sexton, James Rowe, Mrs. Parker <sup>wife</sup>  
and Mrs. Louisa Morgan & Mrs. Forster,  
<sup>an Englishman</sup> this grateful sailor - knelt at the  
before God, and promising to keep  
God's holy will and commandments  
and walk in the same all the  
days of his <sup>at my hands</sup> life, received the laver  
of regeneration, & the sign of the cross  
on which that hereafter he would not be  
ashamed to confess & crucified but would  
wonder manfully fight under his banner



against sin the world & the devil  
and continue his faithful soldier  
servant unto his life's end. The services  
and circumstances of the occasion were  
deeply affecting. When they were concluded  
at my request, he related to those <sup>who were present</sup>  
his miraculous preservation from his  
late and pitiful peritons situation. &  
He shed tears while relating it. <sup>and that</sup>  
who listened could hardly suppress <sup>his</sup>  
his choked utterance revealed <sup>the</sup>  
ward emotion, then own: -  
He had had a pious mother. She had often  
talked with him on religious subjects. She  
had now been <sup>dead</sup> <sup>8</sup> years. Her husband  
was an irreligious & unfeeling man.  
In her moments of resignation she would  
often make <sup>her</sup> <sup>own</sup> <sup>words</sup> <sup>of</sup> <sup>advice</sup> <sup>seek</sup>  
Psalm "I feel not myself at the mercy"  
He thought of her words of advice, seek  
help of God when in danger, while hanging  
on the Brilliant's bowsprit, his own  
scholar on her beam end. These  
reminding high and the standing from  
under him God had mercifully spared his  
life and now he desired to devote it to his

The schooner Lyon left New Brunswick for New York 20 Sept 1844  
Had been on duty, but before we sailed I pointed in the Gulf Stream  
of my.

To Brig Cordelia. owned by Mrs. Hark Grafton  
in law of Mrs. Frobridge of the young men  
tristly - to sail in a week gave 20 manuals  
to be distributed by Mrs. Hark at Porto Rico  
her destination when he shall find it con-  
venient after his arrival there -  
Oct. 17, 1844 -

Baptized as narrated above on Sep 17  
Oct. 17, 1844 at All Saints Church  
George Edward Hills of Secuman of  
Schooner Lyon. sunk at sea 4 days  
since. by being run into off Barnegal  
by schooner Brilliant.  
Witnesses George C Morgan  
Mrs. Louisa Morgan  
Mrs. Fide C Parker  
Mr. Foster sexton of all saints  
James, Rowe, Sexton of All Saints Church  
Mrs. Foster, wife of sexton of all saints -  
and two of Mrs. Foster family -

Oct 20, 1844 - Gave Tracts & books to Charles Burnham  
of the floating Church & sent my regards by him to Rev. Mr. Maynard  
of the floating Church at Liverpool -



October 21. 1844 Gave some tracts to a  
seaman named Joel Brown at  
the Chapel this day, He sails for Liverpool  
tomorrow - also to Joel Brooks,  
also to James France. His wife was  
88 James St. He shipped out 22 in the  
Steamer Metamora for Charleston S.C. he  
is a straw man

Oct 25, 1844. Dr. Prival of Utica preached this  
morning and I preached and read sermons  
in the afternoon. I read sermons in the morning  
though it was a rainy day. There were  
many seamen present in the morning & a  
larger number in the afternoon than I have  
seen at any one time. Not 25 females in the  
house and yet all the ships well filled

with seamen  
introduced into the sermon this afternoon the  
wreck of the Brig Saratoga on the Florida  
Reef. all hands lost but the 2d mate  
and a passenger saved after being  
8 days on the poop. The Brig having sunk  
her timbers carried into Boston last week  
The Saratoga men. Capt. Badel were  
at our Chapel before sailing -

Collecting today Missin about 1.42. Books 1.20.  
Great Western arrived this day several  
men returned thanks for safe return from  
sea. were at the Chapel - Collecting Missin 1.54  
Books 1.74

Nov. 3, 1844 - Rt Revd. Bishop Cicero J Hawks  
of Missouri preached this afternoon. The  
Communion was administered this morning  
to 27 persons. Collecting Missin 1.90  
Books 5.83  
I hear this day that a man named William  
on board the Z Ritzig was very  
dissolute until much of the manual had  
been given him at the Chapel where  
he has attended Church. The dates his  
religious professions from the Tracts &  
the manual - Lieut. Washburn, A.  
Bartlett of the U.S. Frigate Portsmouth  
bound to the Pacific was at Church this  
afternoon and requested papers for him  
self the officers and even on their  
voyage. Seven men of Great Western  
were present and received books, and  
about 30 manuals and 26 books were  
given out. Several books have been  
returned used by the whole crew of  
the ships they have been in & they taking  
the chance - I preached this morning. Revd  
W. Robinson of Essex assisted in the Communion



Oct 31, 1844

Read letter from George Edmund Hills at  
Norfolk bound for West Indies asking for  
prayers at the Chapel - I hear this day of  
the loss of Brig Overman. Capt. Bowen the  
whom we had prayers for Porto Rico all well  
gone!!! to Sumatra the Hurricane of Oct 5 or 6<sup>th</sup>  
in West Indies Henry Butler used to be  
a great deal at the Chapel with our Septor  
James Rowe this summer <sup>(week days)</sup> reading Tracts. He was  
much interested in the subject of Religion. He  
was on board the Brig Overman & it is comforta-  
bly presumed was fitted for a change of water.  
He acknowledged himself much indebted for  
his religious impressions at the Chapel -  
He was supplied with a Bible & Tracts at the  
Chapel on his last voyage.

This evening I read prayers at Evg Service  
for Right Revd Bishop Chase of Illinois  
at Brooklyn L.I. at the Calvary Church  
where Revd William B Lewis is Rector

Nov 10, 1844, I preached all day. St. Turner  
of Faculty of Theological Seminary present Com-  
munion in the morning 25 persons furnished  
the Capt. & mate of a vessel in port. Man on board  
the Great Western. I see a sick man several times  
The last time on Saturday when I carried 6 manuals  
a bible Prayer Book & some Tracts. The man  
followed me about the deck may it please you

Reverence said one I should be glad to put in  
for a tract & a little book & also you Reverence  
& would it please the Sr I should be glad of one too.  
& I found another. I gave away the six manuals  
the prayer book and Bible & Tracts. One of  
the men on land with several others asked  
for a book for a sick man on board I visited  
him several times & found him in a proper  
state of mind I thought he would get well.  
Seven men of Lt. Western which goes to sea  
yesterday were prayed for in Chapel this day.  
- Walter George Haynes arrived from Mobile  
sick and wished to see me. I went for him  
but he had gone to the Hospital before I got  
there. His main interesting case in Feby 1844  
recorded in my journal was read to the board  
of managers at their meeting Nov 11, 1844  
also loss of Brig Saratoga & crew who were at Chapel <sup>several</sup> <sup>times</sup>  
now at bottom of the ocean

3 vessels have been run into bank within three  
weeks, Schooner Lyon by Schooner Portland which  
was George Edmund Hills -  
Schooner Elizabeth -  
Brig Canary of Prohm bay drifted away <sup>the</sup> in boat  
without an oar & never heard of. see sheet number 4

Nov 10, 1844  
This week the 3<sup>d</sup> Edition of 5000 copies of sailors Manual  
of Devotion by Sgt. Premier was published with original  
Hymns by Mrs B.C.P., Revd A.C. Corp, Revd W. Brown, Revd G. G. G.  
Bourne, Revd B.C. Carter & Mrs A.E. Loveland.



Nov 17 1844 Read Mr Bowen Mr Haught of  
 All saints assistant preached for me at Cheshel  
 in Mony & I preached at St John's Brooklyn for  
 Revd E. M. Johnson on condition of harbor at sea  
 and sailors ashore - Collection for the Society 64/8  
 Also preached in the City at St Pauls Church in  
 Broadway by balance of the Society - Collection 97/00  
 The sermon reported in St John's Epiphany of Mony of Nov 18/1844  
 & also in the City paper & spoken well of -  
 Went Nov 19 1844 to Hospital to see George Walter George  
 Haynes. He has gone to the Sailors Retreat -  
 The Board Work of the Sheffield by Mrs B.C.C.P.  
 was published & bound up last Friday Nov 17/44,  
 2500 copies published -

The following are present engagements to preach for  
 Collections St Luke Dec 1, 1844  
 Church St. Nov 24. in Brooklyn St. M.  
 St Stephen, 26. - St. M. - -  
 28. Brooklyn Mrs. Minton  
 Feb'y, 2. St. M. Calvary N.Y. -

Capt Davis  
 Brig Oceanman for whom we had prayers and  
 of which vessel William Bullen seaman  
 used to be at the Chapel with our sexton  
 reading Prayers there has been lost and all  
 hands in a hurry in the West Indies  
 William - in Bank I Ring used to be  
 a very dissipated man & has lately entirely

reformed - Capt Gellan man says we  
 gave him Prayers and books which had  
 much effect on him  
 I preached at St Matthews Church Lind Exp  
 Nov. 20. 1844. for Revd Mr Bond at request of  
 Mr Fisher on By grace we are saved.

Nov 22. had a conversation with Henry  
 Anderson who has been a drunkard. He is  
 as fine a looking young man as I ever saw  
 only 25-7 years old - has lately signed the temper  
 and pledge - goes to sea ~~on~~ Friday next  
 in Bank Decourse for Apalachicola

& London or Liverpool - He promised me  
 he never again would touch another drop of  
 spirit. He is a handsome clean and apparently  
 an honest and sincere young man as I have  
 saw. I told him he must pray to God to give  
 him strength - that he would fall if he  
 trusted in himself and not in the grace  
 of God He said he would be at the Chapel  
 tomorrow before he went to sea and asked  
 that we might have prayers for him  
 not only to be preserved from the dangers  
 of the sea but from his besetting sin.  
 May it please <sup>God</sup> thee to strengthen such as do stand  
 to comfort and help the weak hearted to raise up  
 those that fall and finally to beat down Satan  
 under our feet Several men say the sailors  
 moral has done them much good



Nov 26, 1844 Preached on Sunday  
Nov 24, 1844 Am for Dr. Stone in Christ  
Church Brooklyn, while he preached  
a very fine useful sermon at the Chapel  
on the text "one sinner destroyed much  
good." P.M. I preached at the Chapel  
on the text "Escape for your life"

The wind blew violently this day. There was  
a large congregation in the afternoon  
and a good congregation in morning  
gave out about 25 vols books and 20 man-  
uals.

Nov. 27, 1844. The following letter was  
handed me to day by Captain Richard,  
from Walter George Haynes, the ~~probable~~  
seaman, whom I took one Sunday in day last  
and brought to our chapel, between services  
from Southwells boarding house. just recovered  
from a state of intoxication and whose case  
is referred to my <sup>my</sup> journal about that time

(Seaman) Retreat (Water Island)

Nov 14, 1844.

My Dear Friend, I am just able

to sit a bed to write these few lines  
requesting you to send me a red shirt  
from my chest, and if you feel justified in  
purchasing me a couple of pairs of  
stockings

In case I should not recover I wish, after  
my debts are paid, what may be left to  
go to the cause of Temperance.

I have here, one new pea jacket, 1 new  
white shirt, 1 do check, 1 do red flannel,  
1 do black silk handkerchief, 1 vest, and  
pantaloons - 1 pair shoes.

I have no key for my chest. By using one  
end, shaking it, a little - it will come  
open.

I am Sr. W. G. Haynes -

The cause of temperance - Poor fellow if he  
dies he wishes all he possesses in the world to  
be devoted to this cause and sends a schedule  
of what he has with him that his worldly  
substance, his clothes, item by item, may  
be claimed on this behalf and devoted to its  
interest. I named him when he was drunk and  
found that I could not get to the Seaman's  
Retreat



that day I determined as I had long wished,  
to go and visit this man. He arrived about  
3 weeks since in the port, <sup>of New York</sup> from Mobile sick,  
I went immediately to the hospital - and I  
enquired in vain <sup>from</sup> him at the sailors  
Home. He had gone to the West  
I Reached there - at 2, P.M. He was just able  
to stand but, rushed towards me and entered  
the Room. Oh Mr Parker said, I would have given  
words to see you when I reached New York  
He told me in you to come here. He held my  
hand and turned away, as he continued holding  
it with both <sup>hands</sup> trembling with weakness  
and evidently in tears. Oh you have been  
the salvation of me. I was a poor outcast. &  
you have <sup>shown</sup> me to your chapel. I have  
endeavored ever since to follow your advice  
God gave me strength. I little knew myself  
when you talked with me at your room -  
I did not know my own heart and what  
a vile one it was. How hard it was to be  
a sinner. I am still a poor sinner - dependant  
every hour on God's mercy, & grace  
The Poor emaciated fellow, went on in this way for  
some time. He was a perfect skeleton. <sup>His former</sup>  
self. Never had reduced <sup>to</sup> the lowest state and  
he was now, slowly recovering but had a bad  
cough. His fine figure and commanding mien  
were still visible, but as if he had one foot

in his coffin - I enquired how he had been,  
where he had been what he had been  
doing - How he had been enabled to  
live in the religious life. At his  
his reply I fear most unworthily after  
God's goodness in turning my feet from hell,  
I went on the voyage, as I told you I was to do  
when I last saw you. I arrived <sup>at New Orleans</sup> late but was  
winded pretty hard. I staid two days on shore  
at New Orleans, & finding nothing immediately  
to do, and it very hard to get clean of old habits  
and acquaintances. I Baptized in the army  
before leaving New Orleans, I got 13 to sign the  
temperance pledge. You told me to do all  
the good I could in the circle where I went  
& I tried.. after all the evil I had done.. He went  
in about a month to Baton Rouge. There  
in the Barracks I held the first temperance  
meeting that had ever been held in Baton Rouge  
got 9 the first day to sign. after <sup>that</sup> they 20 then  
27. one of the Officers after that lectured on  
temperance. The cause went on well. many  
more came <sup>in</sup>. a lawyer, in a little time <sup>signed</sup>  
& lectured. then. an editor of a paper  
and afterwards. some distinguished citizens  
and. while I was there. it became a common  
thing to have a public temperance meeting  
in the Barracks and in the town. <sup>and 20, 30 & 40 of an evening</sup> The went



to Mississippi at the sickly season. I had  
much talk with some of the officers about temper-  
ance, and hinted to them that by humbly that  
their own example stood much in the way  
they told me. It was nothing to the men. I wanted  
they thought so too - We had meetings for  
prayer among a few of the soldiers -

I enjoyed myself well. one day the command-  
ing officer sent for me asked me if I wished  
to be promoted to the rank of sergeant. I  
humbly declined not intending to spend my  
life in the army. Not long after I was told  
if I wished I could be discharged. I thought  
upon the whole I could live better if I was  
where there was not so much sewing  
and weaving and told one of the officers  
one day. He said he would procure my dis-  
charge and did so. I came on here about

10 ~~the 10th~~ Sept. and reached port about 6<sup>th</sup> November  
I was very sick, taken at sea with a bilious  
fever. I could not hold up my gun. or I  
should have tried to see you. Next day I  
came here to the Retreat and have been  
very low. I am far from well yet. Looking  
at his pale countenance sunken eye, and  
the looseness of his pantaloons and vest I  
said that his clothes only hid a skeleton.

point sight - - He went to prayer in his room  
and others were there all sick seamen. He  
said two of his shipmates had died in the  
house with the same fever. I talked about  
the only way of salvation <sup>by Jesus Christ</sup> near one half  
hour incessantly, patiently preaching <sup>to them</sup>  
arround - to the heaven around me and  
were <sup>lying</sup> resting on their beds. The then went to  
prayer all kneeling - I then asked each  
one his condition talked with him &  
gave the best spiritual counsel I could  
and came away. Having spent near  
2 hours profitably in the house - I gave  
Haynes a little money to get his stockings  
and other things which he said could be  
easily done by a man there. Rev Mr  
Goddard of Clifton promised me he would  
write to Haynes occasionally and visit  
him.

He appears to have ~~been~~ well in the  
religious life. His faith is firm, his language  
very humble. He said he had not the confidence  
of some. He could talk of no raptures &  
none of that overflowing love to God he  
had heard some speak of. Oh sir said  
he you told me I should know more of



of my heart as I prayed more and thought &  
of my sins more and read more  
of the word of God. I found seven so. I have  
not now half the comfort I had when  
the light first shined into my dark soul. Perhaps I  
see more of its workings than I did then  
and have more reason to praise God for  
his shining mercy to me. Here some of my  
shipmates have died in the next room and  
I am afraid, yet oh pray that the Lord would  
make me glorify him  
If I ever saw a humble man. the tone, the  
manner, the look, the gesture, every move-  
ment and expression seemed to tell me  
that poor sinner had been turned from dark-  
ness to light and from the power of Satan  
unto God.

Sunday, Dec. 1, 1844. It stormed with rain  
all day, and very few persons besides  
seamen were at Church there were from  
Pa. to go of there. A habeger congrega-  
tion in the afternoon. Rev. Dr. Taylor  
of Grace Church who had engaged to  
preach in the afternoon by way of exchange  
sent me word in the morning he should be

glad to defer it till next Sunday.  
I preached therefore in the afternoon.  
nearly, 20 persons were present for soup  
to eat. several returned thanks.  
I was much affected at the communion  
this morning to find Walter G. Haynes  
striking round the altar. I did not  
know he had left the hospital till late  
in the morning service when I saw him  
in one of the few. He had wavered out  
weak as he was he said to be present on  
this interesting occasion. He came from  
the hospital last night. Here was truly  
one who was dead & alive again that  
was lost and was found. He seemed deeply  
affected and came to me after service  
to thank me for my visit and kindness  
to him. You are my father said he. You  
was the first minister that ever spoke  
to me. By your influence I have  
been turned. I hope from Satan unto  
God.  
About 25 names in after service & we  
broke.  
Capt Richardson tells me this day Dec  
5, an interesting fact with regard to



Walter Haynes. He says he has taken him  
 in at the Barber Home and has much  
 confidence in him. While at Baton  
 Rouge in the army, he was very active  
 in the cause of temperance and seemed  
 notwithstanding his station as a private soldier  
 to command some respect His officers were  
 indulgent to him and often allowed him  
 the liberty of a day. This he would devote  
 to the cause. One day he walked several  
 miles out of Baton Rouge to visit a planter  
 a rough and intemperate character. He always  
 rode into the city with a pair of pistols and  
 a bowie knife at his saddle. He was feared  
 by many of the inhabitants as a dangerous  
 man to meddle with. He knocked at his  
 door soon after breakfast. Requested pardon for  
 his intrusion but said he had come to ask  
 permission to speak a word for the cause  
 of temperance which was doing wonders in  
 Baton Rouge. The planter scowled and asked  
 him how he came to address him on such  
 a subject. The liberty he replied was very great  
 to strike to his heart, if meant to be independent of anything  
 perhaps too great. If it was he begged his  
 pardon. But he had seen the time himself

when he would have knocked the man down  
 who dared to speak to him on the subject.  
 He had now learned better, and begged the  
 planter to hear his story and then if he  
 had taken too much liberty to turn him  
 out of door. The wife joined in that the  
 man might be heard, if he would say  
 no good. his story might be amusing  
 with an all praise the planter told him  
 he might talk to the women. He did  
 not wish to hear him. Haynes went  
 on very humbly asking pardon. if he  
 had done wrong. He meant no harm.  
 He hoped the planter would believe him.  
 A little calmed he faced the room  
 while Haynes told the story of his past  
 habits and his reformation. & to the  
 company now he would go - and begged  
 all to forgive him if he had intruded  
 on them. He only wished to have  
 known how God had blessed him  
 in his efforts at reformation. Before  
 going the planter a little softened  
 said to his wife if the man had endeavored  
 her, she might ask him to stay & take



dinner but that he wished to go out to  
his negroes. Haynes remained & dined  
and then left the house, not he says without  
a fervent prayer that God would make  
him unworthy as he was an instrument  
of doing good in this cause.

About a week after at a temperance  
meeting one Ely in Baton Rouge the  
Planter came in and said he had come  
to this meeting to say he meant to try the  
pledge of abstinence from ardent spirits.  
and should sign that night before he  
left the town. He did so, to the surprise

of all -  
about 3 weeks after he came to another  
meeting. He said he had tried the pledge  
It was good for nothing. He found he got  
as drunk as ever on wine & beer & porter  
He now meant to go the whole animal  
and signed the pledge of abstinence from  
all intoxicating drinks. He did so that  
night. Some time after he found Haynes  
& told him he wished him to go to his planter  
in some time and see his family.

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That he would be welcome there and should  
always be treated well. He promised  
before long he would get perhaps in  
to visit them from the office.  
When he went the planter was away  
from home. His wife however treated him  
with much kindness & she said his first  
visit had done all of them good.  
They had no more ardent spirits now  
on the place. The negroes were no more  
neglected. Her husband looked after  
his plantation. This negroes himself.  
There was no drinking person on the  
place, and that a great change had  
taken place in the family & the  
good feelings of all in it.

At my room this week Haynes visited  
me. He said weak as he was he would  
go ten miles to attend on chapel if  
God would get there without. The recollection  
of it were delightful to him. He there  
drew his first breath of spiritual life  
When we met in the room we then  
lived in Feb, 1843.



480 He had found a baptist church here and when  
at Baton Rouge. because there was then  
none other there that he could find.  
The Baptist minister had been his intimate  
friend. He left (before his departure from the  
place was somewhat in debt -) for a situation  
which he found. Haynes had contributed to the  
expenses of the temperance meeting. 13 \$  
for lighting rooms &c. He never would allow  
money to be taken up at them for fear of in-  
juring the cause. He besides became bound  
for his minister's debt in Baton Rouge 40 \$  
Sometime after his pastor's departure he  
remitted to Haynes 20 \$ to pay a part  
of the 40 \$\$. The other part he never remitted  
and Haynes would not pay it. This  
was why he was now so poor as to have  
very little money with him from his  
wages the last year.

Haynes would not confess to me in the hospital  
that he borrowed any thing. He asks  
for nothing now. but is unable to stay  
on shore and try to find food until he is  
strong enough to go to sea.

481 Recd Nov. 26 of Mr. A. B. Blake a bundle  
of Books to given to sailors 52 small  
Bible - & 25 prayer books -

Recd of Miss Jess. Dec. 1. 1844 a bundle  
containing about 50 vols 18 nos. books  
of American Sunday School union  
to be given to sailors -

Dec 11. 1844 Recd letter from Walter Haynes  
saying he had shipped bidding me farewell.  
Hearing from Mr. White that the captain of  
the brig was a swearing & drinking man &  
the galley very bad and gin & spirits in the  
lockers which makes Haynes feel uneasy.  
I went this morn to the sailors Home to prevail  
on him not to go in this vessel  
This day he told Capt Richardson he fears  
and uneasy. The captain and crew all  
drank the captain swore badly and he  
expected nothing but unrelieved misery  
in the voyage from these things. Go and  
tell the Captain says Capt R all you  
have to do me ask him in my name  
to excuse you still he may have another  
man for you one from the sailors  
Home as you stand. Haynes went.  
He told the captain his reason. There  
was much drinking aboard. You



Captain said he drunk the mate drinks  
the men drink. You swear much and  
use foul language. and swart to be sworn  
you infernal rascally dog - do you dare  
to talk to me so. I mean no offence captain  
swart only to tell my honest reasons for asking  
to be removed. I want no such villain on  
my deck nor over my hatchet - as you  
I want no preacher on board the Brig -  
Go about your business and settle with  
the shipping master & tell Capt Richard  
me to let me have a man on board who  
will not be a preacher. I dont want you  
before. I am no preacher sir said  
Haynes very humbly. I thank you Sir  
for giving me liberty not to go on the Brig  
but Captain I live in the firm belief &  
I firmly believe the time will come  
when you will be glad to have a preacher  
of the salvation that is in Jesus Christ.  
I told Haynes Mr. White & I would find for him  
a better voyage & vessel & I would see his  
board paid till he got me. (Haynes stand on shore)

Dr. Shanker going <sup>Dec. 12</sup> he was at the label  
Dec. 12 1844 brought there 8 men & they were  
bound on foreign voyages & received books, manuals  
& tracts. The last night Dec 11 1844 Haynes went into  
a brook at 12 o'clock Capt Richard tells me

4 reversed a poor sailor just in from sea dead  
found brought him to the sailor home & put  
him to bed Capt Richard says his wife  
waked him at 2 o'clock & tell him that  
Haynes had taken the poor sailors money away  
to give to the clerk to pass him credit. & the  
watchman had brought it up when I amounted  
to 150 dollars & a gold watch.

William Smith is the name of the man lost  
overboard from on board the Pilot boat near  
New York. He asked for one of the sailors manuals  
while his vessel was on the river & took one  
month since & one with some tracts was  
given him. <sup>Struck overboard by the boat</sup>

A list of 40 men lost may easily be made  
out at this port within the last month.

The Case of the Ship Abanilla Capt Raymond  
& ship crew. Of the Ship Abanican from  
Leghorn to New York some of which latter who were  
picked up in about were at the Chapel  
this day. Dec 15 1844 is of much interest  
The men belonging to the boat picked up at Churash  
& return thanks this day, are  
Beni Lole, very lame, Adam Woodside - and  
John Williams



George Conway, 2<sup>d</sup> Mate.

On Saturday Dec. 14, 1844. I accompanied  
S. Bovee & 8 missionaries to sea in Ship Horatio  
for Canton. And to Abner Howard the 2<sup>d</sup> Mate of  
I gave 8 vols of Bibles.

I remarked in this Journal that last Sunday  
Dec 15, 1844, 19 men were landed, at this port who  
had been picked up in <sup>two</sup> open boats - who were the  
crew of Ship Alabamian from <sup>east of the</sup> Leghorn to New York  
sunk at sea. ~~who~~ The crew were saved by the  
Ship Malanta Capt Raymond on her homeward  
passage from New Orleans.  
Capt Raymond last Wednesday <sup>lost</sup> ~~stopt~~ his ship in the middle  
of the ocean <sup>to wind</sup> his midder the head of which had  
been weakened by a gale he experienced a  
few days before - he was some time delayed  
by the operation. While at work, the men at the mast-  
head observed an open boat a great distance off  
They immediately made sail & picked up the mate &  
6 men (of the crew of the Ship Alabamian sunk at  
sea) in state of almost insensibility, shuddering with  
cold. It was some time before they could get their  
history. After ~~knowing~~ <sup>knowing</sup> over the mate, who seemed  
the most alive of the group in the boat getting  
down food & warm drinks he began to revive & then  
told Capt R, that their vessel the Alabamian from  
Leghorn had sunk, that he and 6 men took to the small  
boat by the Captains <sup>compass</sup> ~~compass~~ while the Captain  
and 11 men had taken to the long boat which before  
that time had probably sunk, as she had been used

nearly 10 years for a big pen or board &  
her planks were very rotten & she leaked very  
badly. Capt Raymond took the bearings of  
the position of the boat when last seen &  
sailed 30 miles out of his course <sup>sacrificing</sup>  
asouthern, which was a fair wind for New  
York on order to find the long boat. He cruised  
nearly all day without success & was about to  
give up the search when the last slanting rays  
of the setting sun on the water revealed it  
at a great distance. At 10 P.M. he took from  
her, 12 souls, in a state of <sup>ext</sup> ~~to~~ death. They  
had all but two given up all hope & had  
lain down in the bottom of the boat to die  
The planks were so rotten that they did not  
dare step on any one of them nor take any  
clothing or articles from the ship. The sea was  
running high - & the weather very cold All  
were nearly frozen with the wet walls dashing  
over them. They had to bail the boat constantly  
to keep her from sinking -  
3 of the men 1 from the small boat 2 from  
the long boat were at the Wherry Chapel  
in the afternoon to return thanks to God for  
preserving their lives.  
They had been there before they embarked on  
their last voyage and asked for the prayer



of the congregation that God would preserve them from the danger of the sea. Capt Raymond crew of ship Albatross did the same before they went to sea. God mercifully answered those prayers, & made his crew instrumental in saving the Alabamians crew. In the eve at the door were several cents covered with a crust of green mold from being soaked in salt water for some time. They were from the pockets of the poor shipwrecked sailors who though they had saved nothing from the wreck but the clothes they had on offered their last pennies. In their pocket in gratitude to the service of God in the place where their prayers for safety in the sea had mercifully heard of those cents, he still took one & paid for it a piece of silver, he paid another & did the same. I preserved the them. An account of this incident is inserted in an article in the Protestant Churchman of Dec. 21. 1844

Dec 22 1844 It stormed all day but the church was well filled with a large number of sailors - for the parts of the day, notice was given that the ladies present included, & assisted in dressing the Church would have

an opportunity on Monday the 23. with it  
11. o'clock - Collections this day <sup>Books. 82</sup> <sup>Mission 72</sup> 1.54  
About 12 ladies attended this day Dec 23 to dress the Church for Christmas with a number of seamen. At 8 o'clock <sup>PM</sup> they were ready to return to their homes and as the storm of rain was very violent Mr White concluded to send them home in a carriage. While waiting near a house for the sexton to bring a carriage I had some conversation with several of them to be in one way or other connected with seamen or associations of the crew. One young lady in the course of conversation told me she owed a great debt to the Floozy Church & was much at a loss to tell why - and asked her if she would have the kindness to explain to me how she could be under such obligations as she said she felt. Her reply was that <sup>from which I have</sup> recently returned to this city <sup>whence I have</sup> been absent nearly 2 years in "Huron". I was on my return across the lakes



in a ~~small~~ <sup>vessel</sup> boat some weeks since  
The navigation was very rough. I was  
on board several days. The wind was  
violent and ahead. My mother knew  
I was to be on the lake. On Sunday  
Monday and Tuesday. She is a pious woman  
and has often been at this chapel.  
On Sunday she came to you in the  
vestry and begged you to ~~offer~~ ask for  
the prayers of the congregation that  
God would be pleased to preserve me on  
my return home on the water.

You received her very kindly and ~~mentioned~~  
me to the congregation as one for whom  
prayer were desired. <sup>my name is Dearday</sup> These prayers I have  
reason to say abundant reason to  
thank and to feel God heard in mercy.  
On Sunday <sup>on Sunday</sup> night that very day ~~the~~  
which the prayers here were offered  
for me at God's throne ~~here~~ <sup>I was</sup> were  
in the most appalling danger any  
person ever was ~~in~~ and yet lived.

We were in a dreadful gale on the lake  
our vessel was driven at the mercy of  
the winds. A gale on the lake is worse  
than a gale at sea. I have been in  
both. In a gale on the lake a vessel  
is in more danger - she can help easily  
be cleaved and left easily be made to  
avoid taking in water. ~~There~~ <sup>was</sup> nearly  
filled with water. There seemed no hope  
The Captain and all on board were  
discouraged. They threw part of the  
cargo over board to lighten the vessel. It seemed  
in vain. She ~~drifted~~ <sup>drifted</sup> more water <sup>than</sup>  
~~the~~ <sup>only</sup> ~~captain~~ <sup>than</sup> said he ever knew  
a vessel on the lake to take in  
to float. We expected death every moment  
I laid down to die. All were waiting  
the last summons of God. O how it was  
a most awful scene. ~~My~~ <sup>that night</sup> ~~mother~~ <sup>she</sup> ~~was~~ <sup>waited</sup> ~~impatiently~~  
when I think of it. The water impakenly  
for the morning. The horns dragged most  
heavily on. There was darkness and the  
howl of the winds and ~~there~~ <sup>there</sup> now and  
then the burthen of tremendous sea on deck



and then the wash of the water, <sup>already in the aerial</sup> and the  
from side to side, and the pouring down  
the cabin of those which had just been  
emptied on our rolling labouring vessel.  
preparing on these senses, all the while.  
Then the thoughts of my dear Mother  
and friends in New York, and that  
I might never see them again &  
the thought of eternity, of here suddenly  
ending my probation to be called into  
the immediate presence of God. Oh  
it was such a night as I shall never  
forget as long as I live. And when I told

My dear Mother of all these circumstances  
of my situation. She replied be thankful  
to God my dear child, he heard the  
prayer which I asked the good minister  
of the Floating Chapel, that day, to  
request of the congregation worshipping  
there with me. to offer to God on your  
behalf. O indeed I owe a great  
debt to this Floating Church.

Bishop Polk afterwards was at the Chapel  
in the morning of Sunday before ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup>  
Dec 22, 1844 and expressed himself very  
much delighted by what he saw & heard  
He declined preaching himself. He said  
he came to the Chapel on purpose to observe  
the operation of our enterprise <sup>and</sup> (It is  
<sup>very</sup> hard for such another person for Chaplain  
as he had heard these things he wrote instantly  
set about drafting a floating Chapel at  
New Orleans. Both to Dr. Munroe & Rev.  
Mr. Haight he has expressed his opinion  
and gratification in terms too strong to be  
here recorded. He ordered on his own account  
1000 copies of the sailor's Manual at an  
expense of 100 Dollars to be sent to him  
at New Orleans. I preached this Ev at Rev  
Mr. Munroe's Quinn's Manual Collection <sup>for the Society</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup>  
On Christmas Day 1844 The Church was quite  
well filled with seamen. Haynes had his  
Chapel full of men he had brought out. I have  
heard of repeated instances of his visiting the  
kennels and then begging round among sailors  
& obtaining something to relieve them. He thus  
obtained for Mrs Barret 200 at different times  
30 persons at the communion this day



James Jerome from South Carolina came after  
the service was over with tears in his eyes  
that we had got through the Communion  
He would not get permission before to  
leave his vessel, and was sadly grieved  
and disappointed that he had lost the privi-  
lege of communicating. This was precisely  
the case of one other man whose case  
was related to me by Mr. Billing - who  
communicated. He said he was an English  
Quaker, who when he came & found the  
Church empty said he would have been  
willing to have walked many a mile  
than lost the opportunity.

Mr. Keeler and 5 new communicants  
added this day. Some are now on the ocean.  
Wrote Walter Haynes not to ship, and go to sea  
at present. Paid Capt Richardson 10¢ for his bread & crackers.

29<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1844. A larger number of sailors  
present this day than I have seen both parts  
of the day for some time - In the Evg I preached  
at All Saints Church for the Society Collections  
\$50 - Paid this week for Mr. Thomas Freeman  
from Rev. Dr. Stone 30, & on Jan'y  
2, 1845 from Rev. Mr. Minton \$47.41

Sunday, Jan'y 5, 1845. Preached at Calvary  
Church. (Rev. of Mr. Southard) for the Society  
Collections \$67.40 - Preached at the Chapel  
in the afternoon - a very large congregation  
perhaps the largest we have had for some  
months. In the morning stage number  
of saints present - Rev. Mr. Leavenworth preached.

Jan'y 10, 1845. James Rowe informs  
me today of the influence of our  
labor. Some time since the Pilot Boat  
New York lay near our chapel for  
a few days. The men belonging to her  
were occasionally on board some  
William Brown attended Divine Service.  
He was a cursing & swearing character  
but seemed to some of his shipmates after  
wards left forward & more sober than  
he had been - A sailor, Mammal &  
some tracts were given him when  
he was at the services. The Pilot Boat  
belonging to the outward Harbor about  
the Hook went off, and we heard  
nothing of her for some time.



34 In a Land blow while branding a  
ship coming in from sea, the mainsail  
fired - and the boom struck a man  
overboard. It hit him about his loins -  
A boat was immediately got out. The  
men got near enough to touch the wounded  
man with an <sup>oar</sup> but not to reach him  
with a boat hook. He immediately as  
the boat was near him sunk, never  
more to rise again. It was William  
Brown. The men said he had been reading  
the book of prayer he received at the  
the praying chapel just before and seemed  
rather sober and thoughtful. He had  
not been heard to swear for some days  
past which was remarked by all -  
Poor fellow, we will never be known  
in exactly what state he died. But there  
is encouragement, there is hope. Yes  
there is strong reason to believe that his  
heart had been touched by God's spirit  
though his bones may lie buried on  
the sand round the Rome Shoal  
his spirit may be among those  
whose garments were ~~made~~ washed

Angels white in the blood of the Lamb  
before he was called, from time into  
eternity to meet his judge - Those  
Prayers and that <sup>little</sup> book of prayer,  
who would not have been willing  
to have walked over the length &  
breadth of New York 100 times, to  
have had an opportunity ~~to have~~  
of putting them into his hands. Sailors  
are always praying over their prayers -  
and many are still living who  
have been to sea ten 20, yes 30  
years who have never since been  
addressed personally on the subject  
of religion - Are the labors in which  
the Society are engaged of light  
interest or importance? Are they not  
with being presented by every member  
with renewed vigor - and with untiring  
zeal, and with humble but importunate  
supplication for God's guidance & blessing.

Born William Haynes, Jan. 6, 1845 at New Brunswick,  
with Priscilla Beattie as his partner just paid off  
Haynes had bought the poor woman some old  
clothes he had been begging & now he had  
bought his substitute to see her & well in that he



be excited to relieve her. Pulled very earnestly  
and seriously with Baileys to induce him  
to abstain from drink & put his money in to  
the Savings Bank. He told Haynes to keep close  
to him till he had so. He liberally obeyed me  
I went to the office with Baileys & was told to  
let him do his own business & ordered out of  
the office, by Mr. Richardson (a young man, rich  
person) temporarily there. It was harsh treatment  
& so much wounded poor Haynes that next  
morning he came to me & said he must leave  
the Home. They treated him there as a hyacinth  
& often insulted him & it seemed as if it  
was not the place for him. I told him to go  
and find where he pleased but to continue  
his work of doing good. I gave him \$5 to  
pay up his bill at the Home.

July 11, 1845. Mr. Cook Secretary of <sup>American</sup> Prast  
nearly by order of the Prast Committee  
offers to employ Haynes as a Colporter  
at \$10 per month plus board. I have <sup>presently</sup>  
no short time for an interview with the Secretary at that point.

The reason why Haynes was treated so badly at the office of the  
Savior Home was because he said he had brought his shipmate  
to put his money in the Savings Bank. He had he  
said to deposit with the Clerk of the Savior Home unless  
where the money might have been used for the necessities  
of the Home. Perhaps nothing would have been said to him  
if Haynes advised his shipmate to put his money in the  
Bank as with the Clerk. I spoke with much confidence of his religious character

Haynes remarks he wonders at the  
delight with which the Washingtonians  
refer to their past lives. It fills him  
with utter disgust. He can look  
back only with penitence & tears.

July 14, 1845. Paid out 25 dollars the last week to  
buy Haynes board at Sartor Home & get him boots & a  
some clothes. The last Saturday the American Prast  
Society agreed to employ Haynes at 18 dollars  
per month as a Colporter - among seamen  
& Bathosies. He begins this day.

July 14, 1845. Mr. Cook of the American Prast Society  
says he was never in the presence of a man by  
whom he was so much awed as by Haynes  
so noble and dignified and imposing in his  
manner and appearance associated with his  
history.

~~The White~~. Haynes says Baptists, Methodists & Presbyterians  
all claim him and invite him to their meetings.  
He'll hear of neither Haynes. His reply. - only  
call me Simply-Haynes.

Bank Sophia Walker was stranded on  
Sand Point Anants all cut away with  
the sea making a breach over the crew in  
a narrow storm. Heats on Monday Evg July 6, 1845  
The crew has a perfect wreck brought up by a  
Mearn boat on the Chabel -  
Captain Godman & the Officers & crew were all at  
the Chapel Sunday, July 12 morning & afternoon to return thanks  
for safety their lives in the awful danger which they  
have been delivered.

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Jan 12, 1845

Capt Raymond of Ship Malanta who saved 18 men  
picked up in two boats (Dec 7 1844 they were landed  
in New York) about 100 miles from Cape of the Delawares  
went to sea and had prayers at the Chapel this

day  
Jan 14 Mr White handed me the following letters  
which I copy because I may wish to use them  
hereafter in a tract on the floating Chapel.

New York. Dec 21. 1844.

To Captain George B. Raymond, of Ship Malanta  
378 Pearl St New York

Dear Sir

Desirous of testifying our grateful  
sense of the noble disinterestedness with which you  
stood firm your course on the 12th of December  
last in regard of the Captain, Passengers &  
nine of the crew, of the Ship Alabamian,  
which foundered on that day at sea, & of the  
kindness we received at your hands, while  
your guests, we beg your acceptance of the  
accompanying piece of plate -

We know that no offering of ours can add  
to the proud feeling of satisfaction which must  
have animated your bosom, when, upon  
your own deck, you saw the 18 human beings  
whose lives you had saved; but we wish you  
to possess some slight token, which, in

after days, may serve to remind your  
children and your friends, of how  
nobly you did your duty to your God &  
your fellow men; and we desire that  
other ship masters, incited, as <sup>well</sup> by their  
own humane impulses; as by the  
approbation which so noble an act  
never fails to call down from the public,  
may "go and do likewise".

In conclusion we congratulate you  
upon the opportunity you have enjoyed  
of gratifying the most generous promptings  
of the soul; We pray that heaven may  
shower its choicest blessings upon  
you and yours; and we beg you  
to be assured of the lasting gratitude  
of very truly your friends

Edward Cooper  
Abram. T. Hewett.

Passengers. (in Ship  
Alabamian from Leghorn to New York.)

The piece of plate accompanying the above was  
an elegant silver pitcher with the following inscription  
on it.