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The Ship Island Quarantine Station: The Nation's First

U.S. Gulf Quarantine Station
P.A. Surgeon Guiteras in command
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Station Logs September 1895 to December 1896
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Foreword

The following transcripts cover a time on Ship Island when the United States was fighting to control the scourge of yellow fever. From 1883 to 1916, vessels bound for ports of the northern gulf coast and that had earlier traveled through areas touched with yellow fever came to Ship Island for inspection. During a day's work, doctors and staff quarantined vessels, fumigated ship's holds and treated inflicted crewmembers.

Of the logs recorded during these years, the National Park Service staff at Gulf Islands has located only about ten years worth of recordings. Each day's activities including ship's arrivals and personal events were recorded by hand. Of these only several year's of logs have been transcribed by park employees and volunteers. Spelling will be sometimes atrocious based upon best reading of the hand-writing.

Original documents are still on file in Washington, D.C. Copies are on file at the Davis Bayou headquarters of Gulf Islands National Seashore—Mississippi District.

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Sept. 1 Sunday - Regular inspection dispensed with an account of the excessive heat. Visit all vessels in quarantine. Patients on board "Sphesoid" much better. Open cabin and f_ _r coable on "sphesoid" Dr. Moncure makes a report against the G_ _p Steward for disrespect, which is shown to be true. The conduct of Mr. Ci_ _ ds becomes daily worse, and his incompetency more marked. He is reprimanded.

Sept. 2 Patients on S.S. "Sphesoid" almost well.
Release Sch_s. H.J. Paurel and Hildegard, both bound for Pascagoula.
"Tailer" makes transfer.
"Sleipner" and "Mohawk" visited. All found well, both still discharging ballast.
B.k. Hamilton "dipping" ballast.

Sept. 3 Duties same as yesterday.

Sept. 4 S.S. "Sphesoid" discharged at 4:30 P.M. She leaves at once for Pascagoula. No efforts made on _b_ _r named vessel to facilitate the quarantine officers. Ba_ _ ks Mohawk and Hamilton visited. All well, except carpenter of former vessel who is suffering from heart disease (Mikal Reg_ _ _). After discharging Sphesoid and attending to the other vessels arrive at my quarters at 6:15 P.M.

Sept. 5 Carpenter working on whaleboat. Vessels in quarantine visited. Bk. "Mohawk" fumigated and clothes steamed. Unknown Steamer comes into quarantine at dark.

Sept. 6 _ _ _. S.S. Fulton boarded and inspected at sunrise. she comes from Santiago De Cirba. Three sick men brought ashore suffering from fever, probably not yellow fever. S.S. Fulton disinfected in the afternoon. Open cabin and forecastle on Bank "Mohawk".

Sept. 7 Two of the cases brought above from S.S. Fulton much better. No fever, and rapidly convalescing. The chief Engineer Jackson still with fever which I now conclude to be yellow fever. Hence, the inference that the others were suffering from the same disease. A.A. Surgeon Moncure in charge of the cases.
All vessels in quarantine inspected. Cabin and forecastle of "Fulton" opened.
Fumigation satisfactory.

Sept. 8 Sunday - Inspections dispensed with. Hatches on S.S. "Fulton" opened. Sick men doing well.

Sept. 9 "Tailer" makes the transfer at 10 A.M. Bk. "Bessie Hamilton"disinfected in the evening.

Sept. 10 Bk. Sleipner disinfected. Bk. Mohawk disinfected.

Sept. 11 Open Cabin and forecastle of Bk. "Sleipner"
Captain Jackson of S.S. Fulton taken sick with yellow fever and brought ashore.
Tailer brings out mail etc. Mr. J.C. Nichols, contractor, leaves for Biloxi..

Sept. 12 Board and inspect Ass_ _ __ Schs, "Lena P. Stover" from Kingston Jamaica. Disinfect the same. Capt. Jackson improving.
Engineer and two men discharged from Hospital, recovered.
Disinfected S.S. Fulton for the second time.
Board inspect and pass N_ _. S.S. "Sparsbing" from New York. Visit all vessels.

Sept. 13 Cabin and forecastle opened on Schr. "Stover" Open up S.S. Fulton" Captain doing well.

Sept. 14 Barks "Sleipner," "Mohawk" and "Bessie Hamilton" released from quarantine at 3:30 P.M. "Tailer" makes the usual transfer.

Sept. 15 Sunday -

Sept. 16 Hard blow from the N. E. lashing all day, but calming off towards evening.
Barometer high, - 30.20.
Tailer makes transfer at 11 A.M. Mr. Garrison, U.S. Treasury Inspector of Buildings arrives at Station in company of Contractor J.C. Nichols. New Hospital inspected, - also _ _ _ of Executive Building.
Mr. Garrison and Mr. Nichols leave on Lailer at 3. P.M.
Capt. Jackson of S.S. Fulton discharged from Hospital and put on board his vessel. His general condition good, temp. normal, pulse, normal, respiration, EE, Board, inspect, and hold for disinfection, No_. Ba_k "Corinna" from Perrriambues. The vessel is infected.
Discharge Coul schooner J.N. Hooper. (from Vera Cruz)
Schr. L.A. Edwards, boarded, inspected, and held for disinfection.

Sept. 17 Release Schr. "Lena R. Shoven." She leaves at once for Pascagoula.
Board S.S. "Fulton" for the purpose of releasing her from quarantine, but find Capt. Jackson with a temp. of 100F and pulse 100. Order for him 25 gm. Euinine Sulph. and hold vessel to watch result. Open cabin and forecastle of Schr. "Edwards".
Go aboard "Fulton" at 1 P.M. Find temp. And pulse reduced evidently the effect of the Euinine.
Find another man suffering from Malarial Fever, temp 104.5, pulse 130. He is taken ashore and Fulton released.

Sept. 18 "Corinne" stills discharging ballast. A_ _ _ Schr. "Geo E. Vernon" from Cardinals, arrives in quarantine and is disinfected. "Tailer" makes usual transfer. Work of rebuilding whaleboat progressing.

Sept. 19 Open Schr. "Geo E Vernon". Ar_ _ _ Schr. "Thos. E. May" from Bonassa in distress comes into quarantine. After carefully looking over history of vessel and in view of the fact that she is leaking badly she is granted four proligma. Every effort made to get a tug for her, and finally obtain the "Leo".

Sept. 20 Bk. "Corinna" disinfected.

Sept. 21 Schr. L.A. Edwards released from quarantine. Danish Bo_k "Thor" anchors outside quarantine limits. Board, and inspect and hold for disinfection. Direct to come inside quarantine limits.

Sept. 22 Sunday - Hold of Bk. "Corinna" opened.

Sept. 23 Release Schr. "Geo E. Vernon". "Tailer" makes transfer at 10:15 A.M. Tailer tows into ballast ground _ _I Bk. "Thor". She commences to discharge ballast at once. Hospital Steward starts in the morning to burn some rubbish a few feet from back of store room. He is warned by Dr. Guitevas of the danger. He states that the amount of rubbish to be burned is small. Later in the day he starts another fire back of Laundry building. About 5 P.M. seeing the dense volumes of smoke coming from back of the buildings on the other side of the Lagoon, I signal for the Launch and go over to investigate. I find burning wood and bushes all around the W. and S.W. sides of storeroom. The fire is put out without difficulty. The fire started from behind Laundry building has extended to the brush and is burning fiercely as far as the sand hills. Fortunately the direction of the wind is such as not to menace buildings. Hospital Steward words reprimanded for his carelessness in the matter.

Sept. 24 Ba_k "Thor" discharging ballast. Men cleaning up grounds around Executive Building. Work on whaleboat progressing. Bottom of launch cleaned.

Sept. 25 Release No_. Ba_k "Corinna" from quarantine. She drops outside the limits."Tailer" makes the transfer at 10:30 A.M. Bk. Barkentine "Golden Rod" and Amer. Schr. "Vila y Hermano" arrive in quarantine from Ceufuegro, Cuba. Boarded and inspected.

Sept. 26 Schr. "Vila y Hermano" disinfected. Bkt. Golden Rod discharging ballast. Bk. "Thor" still discharging ballast.

Sept. 27 Cabin and forecastle of Vila y Hermano opened. Bkte. "Golden Rod" completes the discharge off her ballast and is disinfected in the afternoon.

Sept. 28 Tailer makes transfer at 10 A.M. "Welsh" takes coal from barge. Visit all vessels in quarantine. Open up hold of Schr. "Vila y Hermano" and cabin and forecastle of "Golden Rod" Carpenter Johnson sent ashore to give order for making chain plates for rigging of whaleboat. Weather cooler, wind from the N.E. Barometer d29.93 A "Norther", the first of the season, starts to blow about midnight.

Sept. 29 Sunday - _ _ inspection on account of weather. Henry "Norther" blowing, water very rough.

Sept. 30 "Norther" continues. Temp 58F. Barometer 30.00.
"Tailer" makes transfer at 10:30 A.M. Visit Bk. "Thor" in the afternoon. Laundress Clova Eckstein leaves Station on Tug Tailer.

Oct. 1 Cold weather continues. Wind blowing more easterly.
Release Schr. Vila y Hermano from quarantine.

Oct. 2 Weather moderates.
Release Barkentine "Golden Rod"
Unballasting and washing of ballast finished on Bark "Thor". Tailer makes usual transfer.

Oct. 3 Ba_k "Thor" disinfected.
"loeleh" coals up from coal basyne.

Oct. 4 Open cabin and forecastle of Ba_k "Thor" yesterday evening.

Oct. 5 Schr. Lizzie E. Eells from Vera Cruz inspected and held for disinfection. She is disinfected latter in the morning.

Oct. 6 Sunday. Inspection held at 8:30 A.M.. Station found in fair condition. Also inspect _ _ _ lsh etc.

Oct. 7 Transfer made by "Tailer" as usual. Routine duties.

Oct. 8 Amer. Schr. "Eugenia" from Campeshe comes into quarantine. Weather too rough for disinfection. Ba_k "Thor" released from quarantine. She leaves for Pascagoula in tow of Tug "Leo"". Weather too rough to disinfect "Eugenia".

Oct. 9 Schr. "Eugenia" disinfected. "Tailor" makes the usual transfer. Carpenter Alfred Johansen complete his work on the whaleboat. The result is exceedingly creditable to him, and of great benefit to the Station. The boat which has been in use for some 8 yrs. was in bad condition and it was thought necessary to purchase a new one. Bids were attained for this purpose, but the figures were so exorbitant that their rejection was recommended. Carpenter Johansen was then, (about Sept. 1) detailed to fix up the old boat, with the result that the boat is now stronger and handsomer that when first purchased. Work of varnishing, painting, and rigging the whale boat begun.

Oct. 10 Release Schr. "Lizzie E. Eells" Open Schr. "Eugenia". "Tailer" stops at transfer barge and delivers 40 gals. kerosene oil. Weather unsettled. Strong gale from N.E. Cloudy. Bar. 30.10.

Oct. 11 Weather continues stormy. Bar. variable. Painting and varnishing of whale boat continued.

Oct. 12 Weather stormy. "Tailer" brings mail _ _ at 10.30. Impossible to land at "Transfer Barge", so that boat from station has to go along side. Carpenter Johansen begins work of repain ways

Oct.13 Sunday - Inspection at 9 A.M. Station in good shape.
Release Schr. "Eugenia" from quarantine.

Oct. 14 Schr. "Flora Woodhouse" comes into quarantine in the morning, (from Caibarin). Disinfect her in the fornoon. "Tailer" makes usual transfer. Bark "Alice" comes into quarantine in the P.M. Two of the crew taken to Hospital, suffering from Malarial fever. One of them also has erysiplas of leg.

Oct. 15 Open up Schr. "Flora Woodhouse". Bak "Alice" complete cleaning up hold at noon. Disinfect her in the afternoon. 30 tons of dist ballast allowed to remain in her as the captain will not risk the vessel without it. The ballast is thoroughly soaked with bichloride Solution

Oct. 16 English Barg "Plover" from Kingston, Jamaica, board, inspected and held for unballasting and disinfection. She was toured into quarantine about 8 o'clock last night.
Open up cabin and forecastle of Bark "Alice".
Brig "Plover" begins to discharge ballast.
"Trailer" makes usual transfer at 10:10 A.M.
Men in hospital doing well.

Oct. 17 Master of Brigantine "Plover" left ballast flat loaded will _ _ te at anchor for the night. This morning the flat is found to have sunk. The crew of "Plover" work all day, unloading ballast and raising float. The work is completed at evening and flat is anchored at her usual berth. On account of above accident disinfection of "Plover" has to be postponed until to-morrow. Carpenter finishes repair to marine ways. A great part of the old structure was badly "worm-eaten".

Oct. 18 Brigantine "Plover" disinfected.
Water tank on "Zamna" made light.

Oct. 19 Napheta launch hauled out on ways for general cleaning up, painting, and minor repairs. Several parts of Engine found to be worn out. "Tailer" makes usual transfer at 10:30 A.M. Release Schr. "Flora Woodhouse"

Oct. 20 Sunday -

Oct. 21 Tailer makes usual transfer. Two patients discharged from hospital, much improved. They are taken aboard their vessel, the Bark "Alice", and the vessel released from quarantine.
Work on launch "Simie" continued

Oct. 22 Release Brigantine "Plover" Work continued on napheta launch.

Oct. 23 "Tailer" makes the usual transfer, bringing a large quantity of supplies invoiced from the Bureau.
Contractor J.C. Nichols also comes to Station to fix doors of Hospital Building Bound, inspect and pass America Barkintine "Alice Read" from Las Pamas, Canaria.

Oct. 24 Napheta Launch "Aimie" launched. A few slight repairs still to be done, but will be finished to-day. "Trailer" comes to Station with the remainder of freight sent from Bureau. Mr. Nichols returns to Biloxi.

Oct. 25 Routine work. Painting window screws before putting them up for the winter.

Oct. 26 Trailer makes usual transfer.

Oct. 27 Sunday.

Oct. 28 Trailer makes transfer. Dr. Guiteras goes to Biloxi to secure a photographer to take views of Station.

Oct. 29 Dr. Guiteras returns on board Tug "Tailer", accompanied by Mr. J. W. Nielsen, photographer. Six views taken of the Station. S.S. "Greetlands", boarded, inspected, disinfected and held for observation. She comes from Cardinas, Cuba, via New York. Mr. Nielsen returns to Biloxi in the afternoon.
Weather stormy. center-board of whale boat broken.

Oct. 30 Whale boat hauled up an ways to repair centerboard. ___. Bank Bolinia from Runcoon, England, inspected and passed by A.A. Surgeon Mancure.
Weather stormy.
10 tons coal, sulphur _ _ discharged from "Zamna" on ballast flat. The latter torved by launch into Lagoon.

Oct. 31 Amer. Schr. "Oscar G" from Havana, boarded, inspected, disinfected and held for observation.
New centre-board put in whale boat. Naphtha-tank of launch cleaned out. Ship "Ira_ _ __" from Hamburg inspected and passed.
Weather stormy.
Discover to-day that Bank "Bolivia" has no U.S. Consula Bill of Health. The fact reported to the Surgeon General and Collector of Post.

Nov. 1 Release S.S. "Greetlands". She proceeds at once to her loading berth. Carpenter directed to make bars for the purpose of strengthening double doors in Hospital and Store-room. Weather stormy in the morning, but clean and moderate towards sunset.

Nov. 2 "Lailer" arrives at Station with mail etc. at 10 A.M.
Dr. Guiteras goes to Biloxi in launch and returns in the evening No_. Bk. Eikundusund froma Limerick boarded, inspected, and passed.

Nov. 3 Sunday - Inspection held at 9 A.M.

Nov. 4 "Lailer" makes transfer about 10 A.M. Routine duty-

Nov. 5 P.S. Surgeon GMGuiteras goes to Biloxi on thirty (30) days' leave of absence granted by the Department.

Dec. 5 P.S. Surgeon GMGuiteras resumes command of Station, after a leave of absence of 30 days granted by the Department. Schooner unloading fire wood on scaws stacking it up for measurement. She leaves in the afternoon without finishing work.

Dec. 6 Schooner returns and p_ _ _ ds with the unloading of fire wood. Tug "Tailer" brings to Station freight which could not be delivered on Wednesday on account of_ _ _gh weather.

Dec. 7 Tug "Tailer" makes usual transfer, and brings out monthly supplies. Men busy bringing the same ashore.

Dec. 8 Sunday - Inspection held at 9 A.M. Station found in good condition. Fire-wood delivered on barge measured and found one cord short. Contractor notified.

Dec. 9 Cold "Norther" blowing.
Tug "Tailer" makes the usual transfer of mail and supplies, but with considerable difficulty on account of the high sea. David Bowen, astuig laundryman, returns from 3 days' leave of absence returns to Station and hands in his resignation. Scow loaded with fire wood, toured to pier-head of wharf.

Dec. 10 Unloading of fire wood continued during the day.

Dec. 11 Tailer makes usual transfer. Steward Woods given seven days' leave of absence. He and his wife and child leave the Station on tug "Tailer" for Biloxi. Unloading of wood continued. Carpenter working on doors of Medical Officers Quarters, with the object of making them tight.

Dec. 12& 13 Wood being unloaded and stacked up back of hospital kitchen. At 4 P.M. the sc_ _ r with three cords of wood is toured by launch over to Surgeon's quarters.

Dec. 14 Fire-wood unloaded at Surgeon's quarter and ballast flat toured into deep water. Tug "Tailer" makes transfer and takes A.A. Surgeon Moncuve who goes on 30 days leave granted by the Department.
Five tons of coal ordered from Morgan, arrive.

Dec. 15 Sunday - Informal inspection Part of the lumber contracted for with Eiselen of Biloxi arrives.

Dec. 16 Ballast flat toured alongside of Transfer flat and all hands get to work at unloading coal and lumber from the former to the latter. The Schr. "Fred S." brings out the balance of the lumber from Eiselen. Nor. Bark "August Lellessen" comes into quarantine in the tour of the Tug Whitich from Mobile. She having had one death in transit from Pemambues she is refused entrance at Mobile. The vessel is anchored by the pilot outside of quarantine limits. Board and inspect "August Lellessen".
With the aid of four of the crew of the Bark "Lellessen", the Ballast Scow is brought to the wharf and into the lagoon and the lumber and coal discharged, and then the scow is toured out into deep water, ready to begin the discharge of ballast to-morrow morning.

Dec. 17 Tug "Tailer" tows the Bark "Tellessen" closer in towards the ballast ground, but on account of a strong wind from N. E. she is unable to bring her as close as would be desirable. The discharge of ballast commences. Men at work carrying up lumber from end of wharf up to shed behind store-room.

Dec. 18 Tailer makes usual transfer. Steward Woods fails to report for duty.
Men still at work removing lumber from end of wharf.
Gale blowing from the Eastward. Schooner brings out the cord of wood which was short on last invoice from Mr. Morgan.

Dec. 19 Steward Woods reports for duty. He missed connection, hence the delay.
Work of storing up lumber completed. Weather too rough to bring wood ashore from transfer flat.
Visit Bark "Lellessen". Discharge of ballast continues slowly.
Coal flat in lagoon pumped out.
Towards evening the wind changes to S and then West, and blows with terrific force.
Very high water and heavy surf.
Just after sundown an unknown Schooner anchors in quarantine.

Dec. 20 Gale from the West blowing. Board, inspect, and pass Schr. "Magnolia" from Cardenas, Cuba. All boats filled with water during the night.

Dec. 21 "Tailer" makes usual transfer. Hospital Steward F. H. Peck arrives at Station to relieve Hospital Steward C.H. Woods.

Dec. 22 Sunday - Inspection at 9 A.M.

Dec. 23 Hospital Steward Chad H. Woods leaves on tug "Tailer" for Biloxi en route to Louisville, Ky.
Bark "August Lellefsen" disinfected.

Dec. 25 Christmas Day - Flag-staffs dressed. Board, inspect and pass Schr. "Gazille" from Bahia, via Barbadoes.

Dec. 26 Release Bark "August Lelefsen." Bark "Turist" begins to discharge ballast. "Tailer" fails to come to Station. Weather too rough.

Dec. 27 "Tailer" makes the usual transfer of mail, etc.
Yarol "Sappho" bring overhauled.

Dec. 29 Sunday - No inspection. Dr. Guiteras suffering from Rheumatism.

Dec. 30 Heavy "Norther" blowing.

Dec. 31 Disinfect Bark "Turist".

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Jan. 1 New Year's Day -

Jan. 2 Bark Turist released from quarantine.
Work commenced on changes in Steward's quarters.

Feb. 13 P.A. Surgeon Guiteras returns from Mobile, Alabama and resumes command of Station. Hospital Steward Peck on sick list.

Feb. 14 Board, inspect and pass Nor. Bark "Mohawk" from Liverpool.

Feb. 15 Mail and stores arrive from Biloxi in the evening. Manderffi given leave until Wednesday the 19th inst. Edwin Battoy given leave until Monday the 17th inst. A.A. Surgeon Mancuve given leave until Sunday 23rd (7 days). The launch takes them ashore.
Hospital Steward Peck is improved and returns to duty.

Feb. 16 Sunday - Napheta launch returns to Station at 9 A.M.

Feb. 17 Tailer makes transfer at 8 A.M. Heavy "Norther" blowing.
Painting of Executive Building continued.

Feb. 18 Board, inspect, and pass Danish S.S. Herald from Pensacola.
Inspect Station.
Painting continued.

Feb. 19 Tug "Tailer" makes the usual transfer.
Painting continued.

Feb. 20 Board, inspect and pass Schr. "Magnolia" from Mantaugas.
Painting continued.

Feb. 21 Ballast flat toured out into 12 ft of water, in order to be ready to receive lumber ordered from Eislen of Biloxi.

Feb. 22 Washington's Birthday Holiday.
Board, inspect and pass Nor. Bk. "Almeria" from Limerick.

Feb. 23 Sunday - Inspection at 9 A.M. Find Station in fair condition. Examine the Steward's books and find them well kept and posted to date.

Feb. 24 Tailer makes usual transfer.
A.A. S. Mancuve returns to Station. Board, and inspect Br. Ship Ellershe from Rio. Detain vessel for not having a U.S. Consulor Bill of Health. In view of the facts given by the Captain to the effect that the Bill of Health was sent by mail by the Sanitary Inspector at Rio, accompanied by proofs for the same Captain was permitted to go ashore to see the Collector of Customs on the matter.

Feb. 25 Lumber ordered from E. Eiselen arrives at Station and is discharged on wharf.

Feb. 26 Tailer makes usual transfer. Capt. Stone presents his U.S. Consulor Bill of Health, whereupon the "Ellersby" is released.
Board, inspect and pass Schr. Lervis Cottingham from Cienfuegos, Cuba. Work on banked wire fence progressing.

Feb. 27 Board, inspect and pass Nor. Ship Komandor Swind Fayn from London. Work continued on wire fence.

Feb. 28 Wire fence completed. Lumber being removed from head of wharf.

Feb. 29 "Tailer" makes transfer.
Duties same as yesterday. Orders received announcing the detail of P.A. Surgeon Smith for duty at this Station, relieving P.A. Surgeon Guiteras on the 25th of March.

Mch. 1 Sunday - Launch sent to Biloxi with important mail.

Mch. 2 "Tailer" makes usual transfer.
Wire fence completed on 3 side, around Executive Building. The work suspended for the present. Quarters being furnished and cleaned up in Hospital Building to be in readiness for P.A. Surgeon Smith.

Mch. 3 Lumber moved from gead of wharf to beach. Work of ceiling store-room begun.

Mch. 4 Duties same as yesterday.
"Tailer" makes the usual transfer.

Mch. 5 Duties same as previous day.

Mch. 6 Board, inspect and detain Nor. Bk. "Victor Pretat" from Santos. One of the crew died 24 hrs before arrival. Body taken ashore and an autopsy performed, the result of which (together with the history) indicates death from some acute fever, probably yellow fever.
Autopsy was performed at dusk, under many difficulties on account of defecient light.
Work on store-room continued.

Mch. 7 Body of deceased man buried. Facts reported to Bureau. "Tailer" makes transfer. Arrangements made for starting dipping ballast on Monday. Vessel will receive a preliminary fumigation to-morrow.
Work on store-room continued.

Mch. 8 Sunday - "Victor Pretot" fumigated, 200 lbs. Sulphur used.

Mch. 9 During the night the whitehall boat was stolen by three sailors who had deserted from the Sp. "Worldwood". Above facts reported to Bureau, U.S. Marshall at Mississippi City and Marshall at Biloxi. Word also sent to Pascagoula. Tailer makes usual transfer. Two men tresspassing on quarantine grounds placed in quarantine.
Repairs on store-room continued.

Mch. 10 P.A. Surgeon S.C. Smith reportes for duty. Repairs on store-room continued.

Mch. 11 "Norther" blowing. P.A. Surgeon Guiteras and Smith make an informal inspection of Station.

Mch. 12 Drs. Guiteras and Smith visit Bard "Pretot". "Pretot" finishes discharging ballast. Board, inspect and pass Schr. "Vila y Hermano" from Vera Cruz. Tailer makes usual transfer. Whitehall boat stolen from Station recovered. Alfred Johansen given leave of absence for 3 days.

Mch. 13 "Norther" blowing. Bark Victor Pretot washed with bichloride solution.

Mch. 14 Tailer makes usual transfer. Alfred Johansen returns to Station.

Mch. 15 Sunday - Disinfection of Bark "Pretot" concluded in the morning.

Mch. 16 Norther still blowing.
"Tailer" makes usual transfer. Bark Prelot visited.

Mch. 17 Bark Pretot visited.
Dr. Guiteras making preparations for departure.

Mch. 18 "Tailer" makes usual transfer. Heavy S.E. gale blowing.

Mch. 19 Severe "Norther". Impossible to visit Bark "Pretot".

Mch. 20 Bark "Victor Pretot" released from quarantine. Schr. "Philadelphia" brings freight from Biloxi, and discharges same on ballast flat. The latter toured into wharf with launch and unloaded at wharf. "Tailer" brings out mail.

Mch. 21 "Tailer" makes usual transfer.
Dr. Smith goes to Biloxi and returns in the afternoon.
Launch sent to Biloxi with letter for Surgeon Farifax Irwin.

Mch. 22 Sunday - Dr. Smith condemns unservicable property.

Mch. 23 Dr. Smith and Steward Peck begin taking account of property, Dr. Smith insisting upon his privilege of examining every individual article upon the Property Return, consequently the process is very slow. Surgeon Farifax Irwin arrives from Biloxi in Launch. Nor. Bk. Assyria from Rio bound for Mobile comes into quarantine. Detained.

Mch. 24 Inspected station and found all property in good condition. Personnel and discipline satisfactory.

Farifax Irwin
Surgeon . M. H. S.

Mch. 25 P.A. Surgeon Guiteras is relieved by P.A. Surgeon Smith, and leaves for Key West, Fla., in compliance with official orders.

Mar. 25 Assumed command of the station to-day.
A.C. Smith, P.A. Surgeon M.H.S.
Surgeon Farifax Irwin and Passed As instant Surgeon Guiteras left together for Biloxi.
The Bark Assyria was visited. The crew are proceeding as rapidly as possible with the dipping of the ballast rocks in bichloride solutions.

Mar. 26 Three (3) vessels were boarded, inspected and passed today, the names of which appear in the other records of the station. I was annoyed by the tug "Tailer" following two of these vessels inside the quarantine limits and lying close alongside before the inspection was finished, and I warned the commander of the "Tailer" to stand off from vessels undergoing inspection at the quarantine.
The opportunity was taken to send in mail by the Tailer, although more was received from it.

Mar. 27 Began the disinfection of the Assyria with the fumigation of the cabin and the forecastle.

Mar. 28 Cabin and forecastle of Assyria opened after twenty-four hours fumigation, and fumigation begun in hold, all the ballast having been dipped in bichloride solution. Usual transfer of mail.

Mar. 29 Official inspection. Much needs to be done
Sunday to the buildings and surroundings and the force of employees to do it is altogether too small.

Mar. 30 Hold of Assyria opened after forty-eight hours exposure to the sulphur dioxide, and the disinfection of the vessel completed by washing the whole with bichloride solution. The clothing and bedding in general were disinfected by fumigation in cabin and forecastle, the shift which the men wore being disinfected by dipping in 151000 bichloride solution.
The property return and transfer was sent in the mail to-day, no inventory having been taken finally. The Inspector from the Bureau, Surgeon Farifax Irwin, approved and support P.A. Surgeon Guiteras' view of the case, that no inventory is necessary on a transfer of public property, and if that is the decision of the Bureau in such cases I am satisfied.

Mar. 31 Foggy weather. The launch Aimie was drawn up on the ways to-day ot undergo cleaning and repairs.

Apr. 1 Squally weather. Inspected and passed S.S. Juns, German. I held Norwegian Bark Kentigern, without U.S. Cunselor Bill of Health, and telegraphed for instructions.

Apr. 2 Inspected and passed one vessel. There is a norther blowing and the sea is very heavy.

Apr. 3 Released the Kentigern on instructions from the Bureau. An extra mail was received to-day but none was sent.

Apr. 4 One vessel inspected and passed. Bark Assyria released. Gave Hospital Steward F. H. Peck seven days' leave of absence; also leave to the following hospital attendants: Alfred Johansen, seven days, Judson C.Batton and Amanda Underwood each leave over Sunday (one day). Trip made to Biloxi with whaleboat.

Apr. 6 Inspected and passed the British Ship Anglo America, from Rio de Janeiro bound for Pascagoula. Attendant Judson Batton returned from leave.

Apr. 7 Hospital attendant Amanda Underwood returned to-day, having been left by the Tailer yesterday morning. An extra mail was received to-day but none was sent.

Apr. 8 Leave of absence for five days was given attendant Edwin Batton.

Apr. 9 The Norwegian Bark Infomer was inspected and held for and irregularity in the bill of health and a telegram sent to the Bureau for instructions. The vessel had a Portugese bill of health to which the U.S. Consulor Agent had appended a certificate of the genuineness of the Portugese health officer's signature. Trip made to Biloxi with the whaleboat to-day again.

Apr. 10 Another infected vessel came into quarantine, the British Ship Tuskar, from Rio, having had six cases of yellow fever on board, with one death soon after leaving port.

Apr. 11 "Informar" released on special telegraphic instructions from the Bureau. Preliminary fumigation done to cabin, forecastle, and hold of "Tuskar". Was told that tug "New York" invaded the quarantine before daylight the morning of April 3 to board or go alongside of the "Kentigern". Reported it to the U.S. District Attorney and to the Bureau. Mr. Peck and Johansen returned. Attendants Mandoffi and Johnson went ashore on four days leave each.

Apr. 12 Hold of "Tuskar" opened after 24 hours Sunday exposure. Only six hours was required in cabin and forecastle, _ _ _ they were allowed open last night.

Apr. 13 Tuskar began discharging ballast. Batton returned from leave.

Apr. 14 Stormy with both rain and wind. Little accomplished by the Tuskar. One steamship inspected and passed.

Apr. 15 Attendants Mandoffi and Johnson returned. Tuskar continues discharging ballast. I have kept an attendant on board Monday (13th) and to-day and shall continue that till ballast is discharged to avoid complaints from harbor master, Capt. James, and to guard against careless work by the ship.

Apr. 16 Tuskar still at work on ballast.

Apr. 17 Ditto.

Apr. 18 The Tuskar was to have finished the work on the ballast to-day but had not quite done so at half past five this afternoon. One vessel inspected and passed.

Apr. 19 Started the fumigation of the Tuskar about Sunday 9:30 A.M.

Apr. 20 Opened the cabin and forecastle of the Tuskar early in the afternoon. The repairs to the Naphtha launch have been completed and it was tested to-day and found to run smoothly. Acting Assistant Surgeon Moncuve went away on week's leave of absence to-day. One vessel inspected and passed.

Apr. 21 The hold of the Tuskar was opened after forty-eight hours exposure and the disinfection of the vessel was finished by washing with bichloride solution. The

clothing and bedding have been treated with two fumigations except a few articles which the crew shifted yesterday, which were dipped in bichloride solution. One vessel inspected and passed.

Apr. 22 The ya_ _ was gone over on the ways and painted.

Apr. 23 A hot day. No events.

Apr. 24 Two members of the Mississippi State Board of Health, Drs. H.H. Haralson and W.G. Kiger, visited the station, or rather came as far as the limits on the tug "New York" and talked with me there. It seems there have been false rumors of actual yellow fever at the station and a little scare over in Biloxi. These gentlemen were on a tour of inspection, and came, I think, to learn the state of things here. Paid a visit to the Tuskar in the afternoon.

Apr. 25 Visited Tuskar and examined the crew.

Apr. 26 Released the Tuskar. Attendant Judson
Sunday Batton went on leave to extend until Wednesday. A ship appeared outside but did not reach quarantine before night.

Apr. 27 One vessel, which came in during the night, was inspected and passed. A.A. Surgeon Monicure returned. The Tuskar left quarantine waters. A trip was made to Biloxi with the launch.

Apr. 28 One vessel inspected and passed. Another trip made to Biloxi with the launch. One day's extension of leave given to Attendant J. Batton.

Apr. 29 One vessel inspected and passed. Visited Capt. Berg of the "Kentigern" and asked him about the charges against the "New York". He denies their truth and I think at least nothing can be proved.

Apr. 30 Two vessels inspected and passed. Attendant Judson Batton returned to duty.

May 1 Attendant John Mandoffi resigned with close of last month. Yellow flap placed at north quarantine limit on the island.

May 2 One vessel inspected and passed.

May 3 Regular inspection held. I depart this Sunday afternoon for Seranton, Miss., to inspect the steamer Wolch and the barge Zamura, leaving A.A. Surgeon Moncuve in charge. The transfer boat, Trailer, broke down today and I had to get to Biloxi in the launch Aimie.

May 4 John Williamson was employed vice John Mandoffie.

May 6 Returned to the station this morning and found a vessel in quarantine, not infected but from an infected port (Rio), the vessel being the British ship, W.H. Corsar. The Tailer failed to make its trip Monday (May 4) and there was no transfer until to-day's, which was made with the sloop Tired Eaton.

May 7 The crew of the Corsar began work on the ballast this morning. About 150 tons of it, good solid stone, will be discharged and made use of in our breakurator. One vessel inspected and passed. The Tailer brought some goods and took away mail but brought none.

May 8 Same old story.

May 9 Crew of Corsar still working industriously on the ballast.

May 10 Sunday Regular inspection held.

May 11 One vessel inspected and passed.

May 12 The Corsar finished discharging and dipping ballast late to-day.

May 13 Three vessels inspected and passed this morning. Fumigation started on the Corsar, everything being closed by 11 A.M.

May 14 Cabin and forecastle of Corsar opened at 1 P.M.

May 15 Disinfection of the Corsar finished. The cook, Johnson, gave notice that he would leave June 1, having first asked for an increase of salary to $40, which he was told could not be got for him.

May 16 The crew of the Corsar were inspected and found all well. Proposals for the annual contracts were opened. Telegraphic authority was received to put the Welch and Zamura in commission at once and the order was sent by mail to Pilot J.C. Delmas to assemble the crew and bring the vessels here as soon as possible. This authority was denied May 1 on the ground of a lack of funds, but was sent at this time as an order.

May 17 Sunday Inspection omitted.

May 18 Two vessels inspected and detained; one, the U.S. Schooner Florence and Lillian, was from Santiago, Cuba, with all well on board but from an infected port. As it had a swept hold fumigation was began at once. The other, an Italian bark from Barbades and Buenos Ciras, had a man on board with fever, undoubtably marlarial, but he will be kept under observation a day or so. This bark is the Emannele Mainetto.

May 19 One vessel inspected and passed. Cabin and forecastle of the Florence and Lillian opened. Case of fever on the Emanmele Mainetto as bad as ever. The Welch and Zamura arrived at the station to-day.

May 20 Spanish S.S. Guids, from Itavana by way of Vera Cruz, arrived. All well on board, but subject to quarantine. W.H. Corsar released this noon. Disinfection of Florence and Lillian finished, using the bichloride pump of the Welch. Man on the Italian bark has continuous high fever.

May 21 A bust day. Disinfection of the Guide accomplished, the bichloride solution being used before the fumigation. Four vessels inspected and two detained on account of being from bad ports.

May 22 The disinfection of the S.S. County Derny and the Schooner Eleanor, the two detained yesterday was accomplished to-day. The Guido was opened up. An extra mail was brought to-day by the Tailer.

May 23 Another ship in quarantine, the Newman Hall from Rio, the mate having had yellow fever in port there. The Florence and Lillian was discharged at 5 P.M. County Derny and Eleanor opened up this afternoon.

May 24 Sunday No inspection. Very hot.

May 25 Released the Guido. Started the Newman Hall discharging and dipping ballast.

May 26 Released the County Derny and the Eleanor.

May 27 Two vessels inspected and detained, the British bark Assyria and the United States schooner Magnolia.

May 28 Disinfection of the Magnolia accomplished this forenoon.

May 29 The cabin and forecastle of the Magnolia were to have been opened up this noon but the crew forestalled me and had everything above deck opened and ventilated, having probably done it before night yesterday. Their excuse was a storm which came up at night and drove them to shelter. I fumigated over again and told the captain I should have to detain him a day longer on account of the fumigation having been rendered non-effective in cabin and forecastle yesterday.

May 30 The coal barge has been unloaded and was brought out of the lagoon for the use of the Assyria in discharging ballast.

May 31 Sunday — Inspection held.

June 1 — "Magnolia" released this morning. One vessel inspected and passed. A barge load of ballast was capsized beside the Assyria this noon on account of the barge having taken in water. The use of that barge was therefore stopped and the Assyria will have to wait for the Newman Hall to finish discharging ballast. Cook Johnson has decided to stay.

June 2 — Very windy and rough, nevertheless the Newman Hall managed to discharge a barge load of ballast.

June 3 — Fumigation was begun in the Newman Hall this forenoon. A vessel from Pornambuco; Brazil, was inspected and passed.

June 4, 1876 Surg. R.D. Murray, M.H.S. arrived on Rio. Sts.Seward June 3rd at 9 a.m.
Inspection delayed by hard rainstorm.
The buildings, vessels, and grounds gone over in p.m.
I find the Station in excellent condition considering the m_ _ _ _ e_ _ _ _ _ and small force.
The Cutter returned from Ba_sh _ _ _ _ at 8 a.m. in today cuts short a more complete consideration of necessities than I would like to give the station and P.A. Surg. Smith R.D. Murray Surg. _ _ _ _ _

June 5 — Surgeon R.D. Murray left this forenoon. The disinfection of the Newman Hall was completed this afternoon, the bichloride washing being done with the Zamura's pump. The fumigation on the 3d was done with pots, the Welch being temporarily disabled and unavailable for handling the Zamura.

June 6 — Inspected the crew of the Newman Hall.

June 7 Sunday — Inspection omitted. The Tailer brought some articles for repairing the Welch, also the mail. A schooner from Vera Cruz inspected and passed.

June 8 — Two vessel's inspected and passed. The Assyria is working slowly on ballast.

June 9 — Schooner "Oscar G.", from Mangarillo, Cuba, inspected and detained, and disinfected this afternoon. The Welch is in working order again.

June 10 — Released the Newman Hall. Inspected and passed one vessel. Began the disinfection of the Assyria by steaming the clothing etc., and fumigating all parts. Opened cabin and forecastle Oscar G.

June 11 — Cabin and forecastle of Assyria and hold of Oscar G. opened.

June 12 Released the Oscar G. late in the afternoon. Finished the Assyria by doing the bichloride washing.

June 13 One vessel inspected and passed.

June 14 No inspection except an informal one of the Sunday Welch. Visited the Norwegian ship "Favonit", over in the ballast ground, this afternoon, for the purpose of getting additional information about the character of her ballast.

June 15 One vessel inspected and passed.

June 16 No events.

June 17 The Assyria will remain another day in quarantine, there being no tug boat to take it to its port today.

June 18 Assyria released this forenoon.

June 19 A trip was made to Biloxi with the launch, chiefly to get some express packages there which it has seemed impossible to get through the agency of the transfer boat "Tailer". On the way back the Tailer was met returning to Biloxi with two of the express packages on board and an official telegram, which had been carried about since yesterday and never delivered at the station. The transfer service has been very unsatisfactory on many occasions.

June 20 No events. Showery weather with innumerable mosquitos.

June 21 No inspection, no events.
Sunday

June 22 Two vessels inspected and passed. The station was visited by Dr. H.H. Haralson, of the Mississippi State Board of Health, who is acting as a local coast quarantine inspector.

June 23 Two vessels inspected, one passed and one from Bahia detained. Rainy weather continues.

June 24 One vessel inspected and passed. the Kragero is dischardging ballast.

June 25 No events.

June 26 No events.

June 27 The Kragero was disinfected this forenoon, the washing being done first and the fumigating second, in order to have the period of detention begin at once.

June 28 Sunday W_ _ _ st_ and inspection.

June 29 No events but a heavy squall and thunderstorm.

June 30 Reprimanded the Pilot for not attending promptly to matters pointed out by me on inspection. He is a good man but "Southern", and apparently does not believe in doing to-day what can be put off until to-morrow. The Welch and Zamura have not been kept as neat as I want to see them.
(inserted in another handwriting: Yankee talk)

July 1 John Mandoffie and August Kueknk were employed to-day, authority having been granted to add two men to the list of employees. The new transfer began to-day. Although the contract is made by Theodore Bonies the work is done by the tugboat New York, which I shall not object to so long as it is satisfactory.

July 2 One vessel inspected and passed. The Krapero was released and allowed to lie in quarantine for the tugboat the master had engaged but which has failed to come as appointed.

July 3 Made a trip to Biloxi in the whaleboat. A steamship came in just at sundown but was not inspected. The weather continues showery, with squalls and calms and light breezes.

July 4 Steamship inspected and detained this morning. It is from Buenos Aires by way of Port Eads, and entered at the latter port without undergoing quarantine detention and disinfection. The holiday was observed. Attendant Mitchell, fireman of the Welch was discharged this evening for impertinent behavior.

July 5 Sunday Inspection. Assigned Attendant Barih Larsen, of the Welch's crew, to the duties of fireman.

July 6 Bureau. Released the Steamship "Ethelburga" on telegraphic authority from the

July 7 No events.

July 8 A steamship from Santos by way of St. Lucia was inspected and detained. A new system of transfer was begun to-day tentatively. The Transfer boat, instead of making two call three days in the week, is to make one call six days in the week, leaving mail and supplies and taking the previous days mail away.

July 9 The steamship in quarantine, the Connly Antorin, was disinfected.

July 10 Three vessels inspected and one, a Swedish bark, passed, and the two others, on American and a Mexican schooner, held for disinfection. The quarantine buoys were moved this morning, being placed in positions to define the quarantine anchorage somewhat better than before.

July 11 Another vessel, a Spanish steamship three days from Cuba, was inspected and detained this morning. The two schooners were disinfected but the day was not long enough for all three vessels. A seaman with fever, a suspicious dase, was taken ashore from the steamship and placed in a hospital tent erected a little distance back of the executive building. Attendant John Williams was placed with him as nurse.

July 12 Four vessels inspected and three detained for disinfection. The sick man ashore has very slight fever. The County Autsim was to have been discharged but is detained on account of a case of fever aboard which is probably malarial.

July 13 Spanish steamship "Pedro" disinfected.
The seaman aboard the County Antorim stil has high fever and he was removed to the tent ashore this noon. Although the fever is of the malarial type I fumigated again and washed with bichloride solution the portion of the forecastle which he had occupied. Employed William J. Stephenson and assigned him to the duties of deckhand on the Welch. He was mate of the Schooner "H.J. Powell"

July 14 Disinfected the schooners "Dantsler" and "Slater" and discharged from quarantine the schooners "Henrietta J. Powell" and "Tres Hermanos" and the steamship "County Antoim". Started the bark "Arnfirm" to discharging ballast.

July 15 The cabins of the "Dantgler" and "Slater" could not be opened to-day because they communicated with the hold. A lumber schooner was detained within the limits to-day, and three men from it who moved in among the shipping and came ashore were put through a course of disinfection.

July 16 "Dautger" and "Slater" opened.

July 17 The schooners "Dautger", "Clifton" and "Slater" were discharged from quarantine this afternoon.

July 18 The "Pedro" was released this forenoon and the man from aboard her was discharged from the hospital and sent with her.
A pleasure boat, the launch "Hattie" of New Orleans, tresspassed upon the quarantine waters this noon, coming in between the shore and the shipping. Before I could get our to board it it made off and did not obey my signal to stop, which was three gunshots. I followed up and came up with them by the front, but they would not return and be subjected to quarantine detention. I immediately wrote to Dr. H. H. Haralson, at Biloxi, Coast Imarantime Inspector for the State of Mississippi, and placed the matter in his hands. I did this because it is he and the people whom he represents that have most to say

about the danger of tresspassing upon this quarantine ground, and because he has offered his services in cases of this kind.
One vessel, the schooner "Iolanthe", inspected and detained.

July 19 Sunday — An extra mail to-day, for the "New York".
The Schooner "Millie Williams" was inspected and detained.

July 20 — Two vessels inspected and detained, one of them, the schooner "Magnolia", being immediately disinfected. The "Millie Williams" was disinfected this morning. The master of the "Iolanthe" appealed for aid in ironing a mutinous negro sailor on board and aid was sent him. No word has come from Dr. Haralson and I conclude ge let the launch "Hattie" go.

July 21 — Dr. Haralson has responded with a rather curt letter in which he lets me know that he not only let the "Hattie" go but that the Mississippi State Board of Health is setting about making this quarantine station play a role something like that of the mountain to Mahomet. Instead of helping to keep the tresspassers away from the quarantine they are endeavoring to drive the quarantine away from the tresspassers, in other words to make us shut up shop here. A State Quarantine is to be established on Cat Island and the Mississippi people will attempt to make it supercede this station, so far as I can learn.

July 22 — The "Arnfirm" and the "Iolanthe" were disinfected. The Norwegian Bark "Beugal" was inspected and detained and a telegram sent recommending its release without disinfection. It is from Algoa Bay, having called at Barbados for orders on the way here. The master is very sick with tubevels of lung. A schooner reached quarantine about sundown - not inspected.

July 23 disinfected. — Three vessels inspected and detained and one, the schooner "Eleanor", The "Millie Williams" and the "Magnolia" were released.

July 24 — The steamship " Tulwell" and the schooner "Lena R. Stover" were disinfected. The "Beugal" was released on telegraphic authority from Washington. One steamship was inspected and passed. The Mississippi State Board of Health has established a quarantine station on Cat Island and is to-day putting its regulations in force, compelling all vessels from this quarantine to undergo a second inspection. I am afraid it will be a great hardship to the shipping. The two vessels last named above have evidently had great difficulty in finding a state officer to inspect them, as I could see from this spot. The regulations were first put in force yesterday, and I was told that the schooner "Magnolia", released here yesterday, lay all last night and this morning waiting for inspection.

July 25 — The bark "Woodville" was disinfected. A steamship, the "Gladhow" was inspected and detained. The "Woodville" is forced to keep in the hold about 125 tons of ballast, all of which is clean sand, and therefore the hold was fumigated to-day and will be washed with bichloride solution on Monday (the 27th).

July 26 No inspection. The "Eleanor" was to have Sunday been released this afternoon, but a colored seaman of the crew was taken with some fever last night and has a temperature of 39 degrees this afternoon, and the schooner is detained for the present.

July 27 A very busy day. Three vessels inspected and two detained, the steamship "Leny" and the schooner "L.A. Edwards". Two vessels disinfected, the steamship "Gledshow" and the schooner "L.A. Edwards", beside which the disinfection of the bark "Woodville" was completed. Five vessels released, the "Eleanor", the sick seaman being well this morning, the "Arnfirm", the "Iolanthe" the "Fulwell" and the "Lena R. Stover". One bark came in after sundown and was shown to anchor. The seaman from the "County Antrium" was discharged from hospital this morning and sent away. Pilot L.R. Bowen invaded the quarantine limits this afternoon to speak the steamship "Fulwell" as she was leaving, although no pilot had been signaled for and none was wanted. He was captured before reaching the steamship and was taken ashore and put through a course of disinfection, but I decided not to detain him and let him go.

July 28 Two vessels inspected and detained, the bark "Robertsfors" and the steamship "County of York". The steamship "Leny" was disinfected.

July 29 Disinfected the "County of York". Inspected and passed a coasting schooner which had no bill of health and did not really require inspection. It was bound from New Orleans to Pearlington, empty and was not required to clear and enter. The "Robertsfors" has begun discharging ballast.

July 30 Released the "Gledhow", the "Woodville" and the "L.A. Edwards".

July 31 A schooner, the "Palos", came in during the night and five men sick with fever were taken off and ashore. The cases are evidently malarial and are from Colon, and one of the old store houses is used for a hospital this time. The "Leny" was released. A lugger the "Sidney G." of New Orleans, sailed into the quarantine anchorage and was stopped and inspected and sent away again. It appeared to be and innocent tresspass. The "Palos" was disinfected, and the "Welch" was also disinfected preparing to sending it to Moss Point for repairs.

Aug 1 Released the "County of York". There was a very heavy squall and rainstorm last night. Cook W.I. Johnson left, having resigned with the close of the last month.

Aug 2 Inspection held. Frill dress dispensed with Sunday on account of heat. A steamship inspected and detained.

Aug 3 The "Welch" was sent to Moss Point this morning. The steamship Janeta was fumigated, the sulphur pots being used.

Aug 4 "Janeta" opened up and all clothing not already fumigated was dipped in bicholride solution.

Aug 5 One vessel inspected and passed.

Aug 6 The Welch returned this morning. The Palos was released, another of her seamen being discharged from hospital to go with her. The disinfection of the Janeta was completed and the Robertsfors was disinfected.

Aug 7 Opened cabin and forecastle of Robertsfors.

Aug 8 When the mailbag was opened this morning, instead of in-coming mail there was found in it our own out-going mail which was sent yesterday. Our order for meat was not filled yesterday nor yet this morning. We need our own transfer boat. The fault in this case is evidently with the contractor on shore, Mr. Bovries.

Aug 9 A death took place on the "Janeta" early this Sunday morning, the chief engineer dying from a perforation of the common bile duct caused by obstruction from a calculus. A post-mortem examination was made, and the vessel was released from quarantine, being ready to go this morning. No inspection to-day.

Aug 10 No events to mention. - Yes, one: Mrs. Maggie Mayers was employed as cook.

Aug 11 The "Robertsfors" was released. Three vessels were inspected and detained, and one, the schooner "Hildegard", was disinfected. Another one, the bark Clotilde, has some sand ballast to discharge before disinfection.

Aug 12 "Oscar G." disinfected this morning. The "Clothilde" is dicharging ballast. The engineer of the "Welch" was granted a few days leave of absence on account of a death in his family. One vessel inspected and detained, the schooner "B.T. Nealley."

Aug 13 The two remaining seamen of the schooner Palos were discharged from quarantine and from hospital to-day. Schooner B. T. Nealley disinfected. Seaman discharging ballast from the Clothilde was overcome with heat but quickly revived.

Aug 14 The "Clothilde" had finally to retain about five tons of sand ballast, and made ready for disinfection at noon to-day. The work was done, except the washing of the hold, which will be delayed until fumigation is complete.

Aug 15 The schooner "Florence and Lillian", which came in last night was inspected this morning and disinfected this afternoon. The"Hildegard" and the "Oscar G." were released.

Aug 16 Hot and showery: no inspection. "B. Frank SundayNealley" released. A bark, apparently coming in, has been becalmed outside all day.

Aug 17 Engineer O'Connor returned to duty. The hold of the "Clotilde" was washed with bichloride solution. The bark which appeared outside yesterday was towed in this afternoon and turns out to be the Norweigian "Golden Sunset" from Campeche for Havre, which is in distress on account of five of the crew being sick with beriberi, another having died at sea. Vessel held for disinfection.

Aug 18 Released the "Clotilde" and had the Welch tow her to the limit of the station anchorage. Disinfected the "Golden Sunset" and brought her two sickest men ashore.

Aug 19 Released the "Florence and Lillian". Employee Banth Larsen, fireman on the "Welch" resigned and left the station to-day on the "Florence and Lillian". I spent the greater part of the day paying a visit to the "Cat Island Quarantine Station" for the purpose of getting information for the Bureau. I found no station and no person to represent one. The entire thing consisted of two small unoccupied tents and and a stake ten or twelve feet high with a yellow flag on it. One vessel inspected and detained, the schooner "Vila y Hermano."

Aug 20 The captain of the "Golden Sunset" died very suddenly, after nightfall yesterday, in a convulsion. An examination of the brain was made this morning and only simple congestion was found. The "Vila y Hermano" was disinfected. I allowed the mate of the "Golden Sunset" to send a verbal message by the "New York" asking the local health authorities for permission to have the captain buried in Biloxi, but the permission was denied in an official letter addressed to me.

Aug 21 The body of Captain Martin Larsen was buried in the little quarantine graveyard this forenoon, the crew attending and Acting Assistant Surgeon Moncure reading the Episcopal burial service. The bark, Golden Sunset, was fumigated over again, in order that there may be no question of its cleanness after the captain's death on board.

Aug 22 Jonas Ranch was employed to-day and made cook of the "Welch", Nelson being made fireman.

Aug 23 Inspection held, not in full dress. The Sunday schooner "Flora Woodhouse" was inspected and detained. A fresh breeze has blown from a westerly direction all day, the first relief we have had from the dull summer heat.

Aug 24 Released the "Vila y Hermano" and the "Golden Sunset", first placing on board all their men who had been in hospital. Inspected and detained the Norwegian bark "Axel." Stiff breeze again to-day, with rain at night. In conversation with the president of the local pilot's association to-day I withdrew verbally the rule made a little while ago requiring pilots to report to me on waiving a vessel into quarantine without boarding.

Aug 25 The "Axel" began discharging ballast just after noon.

Aug 26 Inspected and detained the British brig (hermaphrodite) "Estella." A heavy squall from the north come up this afternoon.

Aug 27 Received special telegraphic authority to release the "Axel", and stopped her discharging ballast and let her go. Released the "Flora Woodhouse." Disinfected the "Estella".

Aug 28 Little doing.

Aug 29 Visited Chandeleur Island to-day, going over in the whale boat, and viewed the remains, or ruins they are now, of the former quarantine station there. One vessel inspected and detained by A.A. Surgeon Moncure just before sundown.

Aug 30 No inspection. Visited the ship "Starnbowl" Sunday which arrived yesterday, and then sent off a telegram recommending to release without disinfection. It merely called at Barbados for orders in coming from Delafoa Bay. Inspected and detained the schooner "St. J. Powell." A ship come into quarantine just at sundown.

Aug 31 Disinfected the "H.J. Powell". The ship which came in last night was inspected and passed early this morning. The ship "Starnbowl" was released on telegraphic authority from the Bureau. Employee John Williams resigned.

Sept 1 Inspected and detained a vessel from Bueanos Aires, and prepared a telegram to the Bureau recommending its release. Coal received from Scanton to-day. Released the brig Estella.

Sept 2 A cool rainy day. The painting of the surgeon's quarters was begun.

Sept 3 Released the "Henrietta J. Powell." Employed Georges Richer, formerly mate of the schooner just released, to take the place of John Williams, resigned. Continued to rain to-day.

Sept 4 Clear weather again. Released the "Fredon" on special telegraphic authority, thus leaving the quarantine anchorage empty for the first time in weeks.

Sept 5 No events. Beautiful weather.

Sept 6 Inspection. Still too warm for full dress.

Sept 7 No events.

Sept 8 The beautiful weather continues. The men are still at work painting to surgeon's quarters. A slop fund was started to-day by the sale of drift-wood spar-timber to the master of the "Axel".

Sept 9 No events.

Sept 10 A schooner inspected and detained, the "Bertha Louise" from Kingston, Jamaica, too late to be disinfected to-day.

Sept 11 "Bertha Louise" disinfected early. The transfer boat failed to come out from Biloxi at all to-day; reason unknown.

Sept 12 Another vessel inspected and detained the barkentine "Nellie Smith". The transfer was made to-day with a sailboat, as the "New York" is undergoing some repairs.

Sept 13 Sunday- Disinfected the "Nellie Smith" this morning. No inspection. The mail was brought and taken away to-day, to make up for the miss on Friday.

Sept 14 Released the "Bertha Louise".

Sept 15 A new centerboard is becoming made for the whale boat.

Sept 16 The whale boat was launched, and now the "Aimie" is out of order apparently with a broken piston. Work was begun on a wharf for storing coal, close to the boathouse on the channel of the lagoon.

Sept 17 The engine of the launch was taken to pieces and it was found that new parts are required before it can be put in working order again.

Sept 18 The "Nellie Smith" released.

Sept 19 The coal wharf is nearly finished. It has been built almost altogether of drift lumber and timbers, nothing else being at hand and the need of the wharf being urgent on account of the recent breaking to pieces of the coal barge.

Sept 20 Inspection; still too hot for full dress. Two Sunday vessels inspected and one, the schooner "Slater", detained. The other was from Runeom, England with a slightly irregular bill of health but it was passed and the matter was reported.

Sept 21 The "James Slater" was disinfected this morning, three men being first taken from her and put in hospital in the north store room near the executive building. The schooner "Nan M. Dantgler" came in from Habana with two men sick on board and with a history of having had a case of yellow fever but then are placed in the special hospital on the north side of the lagoon, that building being put to use as a hospital for the first time. An armed guard is put on the "Dantgler" to-night. With all this going on the other work has to stop. The Dantgler was fumigated this afternoon, and clothing steamed.

Sept 22 The schooner "Perseverance" of Bonbon, La., Captain Joseph Piton, anchored inside the quarantine limits just before dark, having mistaken this for Horn Island. The wind is blowing so hard from the north to-night that I have to let it remain for the present. It should have been noted yesterday that Harvey Nelson was taken from the "Welch" and made a cook of the legates and Alfred Johnson was made _ _ _ _.

Georges Richer is put on the "Welch" temporarily to act as deckhand, while Irving Deltas acts as fireman there. Anguses Chuck acts as nurse of the other hospital.

Sept 23 The "Nan M. Dantgler" was washed with bichloride solution this afternoon, thus completing its disinfection. The gale from the north continued until near noon and then veered toward the east. The "Perseverance" sailed out a little before noon.

Sept 24 Inspected and detained the schooner "Agnes I. Grace" this afternoon. There has been a very strong easterly wind all day. John Eaton was employed temporarily on account of Mandoffie having been made a guard.

Sept. 25 The pilot that brought in the "Agnes I. Grace" was released from quarantine this morning. The vessel was disinfected. The schooner "L.A. Edwards" was inspected and detained and was disinfected this afternoon.

Sept 26 The "James Slater" was released this morning, the three patients being first put on board from the hospital. The night guard on the "Dantgler" is discontinued.

Sept 27 Dress inspection and muster. The two men Sunday from the "Dantgler" were discharged from hospital and put on board the vessel, the hospital building being then fumigated.

Sept 28 The three schooners in quarantine were all released to-day, leaving the station empty again. The "Dantgler", in trying to clear the island, ran aground and was pulled off by the tug "Leo".

Sept 29 A norther has blown all day, only letting up at evening. The transfer boat did not come out.

Sept 30 Norther succeeded by a calm. Usual transfer of mail. Painting of the surgeon's quarters finished.

Oct 1 The following employees resigned with the close of last month and left this morning: Irving Delmas (of "Welch"), John Mandolffie, August Kuckuk, Alfred Johansen. The last named has been acting as carpenter and asked for an increase of pay. I told him last night I was trying to get his increase but he was mulish about it and said he would not work another day without the increase. To-day after he left the letter came from Washington allowing his increased pay. I am sorry because he has been a very useful man. A trip was made to Biloxi in the whale boat to-day. A bark from Rio was inspected and detained. Temporary employee John Eaton was nominated for regular employment.

Oct 2 The bark in quarantine, the "Bessie Hamilton", was visited. The master is not ready yet to begin the discharge of ballast. The transfer barge is leaking badly again and was brought up to the wharf this afternoon.

Oct 3 The new parts for the repair of the launch were received to-day.

Oct 4 Dress inspection without muster. The "New Sunday York" brought mail, and a telegram from the Bureau warning of the coming of an infected schooner from Itabana. The schooner "Millie Williams" was inspected and detained. A. D. Saucier reported for duty and was put on board the "Welch" as deckhand.

Oct 5 "Millie Williams" disinfected. The "Bessie Hamilton" began discharging ballast. Monday

Oct 6 M. O. in Command spent the day in Biloxi, having gone over last night to meet his family.

Oct 7 M.O. in C. returned to Island in morning and left for Biloxi again on afternoon boat. August Olsen was employed in place of Alfred Johansen, resigned, and was assigned to the duties of carpenter. Schooner "Eleanor" inspected and detained.

Oct 8 Too rough to disinfect the Eleanor. The "Florence and Lillian" was inspected and detained; no sickness on board. "Millie Williams" released.

Oct 9 "Eleanor" disinfected. "Florence and Lillian" fumigated and clothing steamed. The schooner "B. Frank Nealley" was inspected and detained. The Medical Officer in Command brought his family to the island to live.

Oct 10 "B. Frank Neally" disinfected this morning, and cabin deck and forecastle of "Florence and Lillian" washed with bichloride solution.

Oct 11 No inspection. The "Bessie Hamilton" Sunday continued discharging ballast to-day.

Oct 12 Hold of "Florence and Lillian" washed with bichloride solution, thus completing the disinfection of this vessel. "Bessie Hamilton" disinfected. "Eleanor" released.

Oct 13 "B. Frank Nealley" released. The transfer barge has been repaired but could not be put in place to-day on account of the wind blowing.

Oct 14 Bark "G. DeZaldo" inspected and detained.

Oct 15 "Bessie Hamilton" released, the time of detention being shortened two days on telegraphic authority from the Bureau because the vessel's charter expires to-day. Went to release the "Florence and Lillian" but found a man on board with slight fever and took him ashore and held the vessel for the present. The tug "Leo" came into quarantine to chase up the "Bessie Hamilton" as she was towed out. I sent a letter after the captain and called him back to see me, and lectured him on the rules. The "Aimie" was launched to-day after the long-drawn-out repairs to her engine, but still she does not work right. The "G. deZaldo" began discharging ballast.

Oct 16 "Florence and Lillian" released, the seaman ashore being put back on board.

Oct 17 No events.

Oct 18 No events. I was too sick with a cold to Sunday inspect.

Oct 19 Then "G. deZaldo" finished discharging ballast. The whale boat carried a passenger to Biloxi this afternoon, Mrs. Smith 'o annt.

Oct 20 The "G. deZaldo" was disinfected. The launch engine is working very badly since it was repaired.

Oct 21 The schooner "Lena R. Stover" came into quarantine this morning and was disinfected at once. A company of Government surveyors asked and received permission to measure a base line along the westerly shore of the Island to-day, in conducting some surveying operation connected with the harbor.

Oct 22 No special events.

Oct 23 Two new schooners were found in quarantine at sunrise this morning. Both were inspected and detained and one, the "Mary B. Judge" was disinfected. The "G. deZaldo" was released, and a Horn Island pilot who came in on the "Mary B. Judge" was allowed to go out with her. The sea was very rough and a little rain fell to break the long dry spell. The master of "Mary B. Judge" opened his cabin and forecastle before authorized to do so, and a new fumigation of them is ordered for the morrow.

Oct 24 "Anna M. Stammer" disinfected. "Lena R. Stover" released.

Oct 25 No inspection, same reason as last week.
Sunday

Oct 26 One vessel inspected and passed. A second fumigation of the cabin and forecastle of the "Anna M. Stammer" was done to-day because the master opened them yesterday before the appointed time. The whale boat was damaged to-day in a collision and was handed up for repairs. The launch is working better than when first repaired but still far from well.

Oct 27 "Mary B. Judge" released early this morning. The launch engine broke down again suddenly, leaving us bad off for boats.

Oct 28 There was a very heavy fall of rain last night, such as to fill and sink some of the small boats. Two vessels inspected and detained, the first, a barkentine, having ballast to discharge. It is found that the shaft of the launch is broken in the interior of the engine and the repair will be a considerable affair.

Oct 29 Disinfected the "Magnolia", which arrived yesterday afternoon. Released the "Anna M. Stammer".

Oct 30 One vessel inspected and detained. I took a trip on the Welch this afternoon to the neighborhood of Car Island and saw the lerroys that have been placed by the Light House Board of mark the Slate "quarantine" anchorage there. The tents formerly constituting the establishment could not be seen to-day.

Oct 31 Acting Assistant Surgeon Moncure left to-day on 30 days' leave of absence. The bark "Hornet" was disinfected to-day with ballast in and the brigantine "Estella" was also disinfected. On account of rain and bad weather the cabin and forecastle of each was opened before night. A bark from Rio was inspected and detained.

Nov 1 Muster and inspection.
Sunday

Nov 2 Visited Biloxi with the "Welch". Hospital Steward Peck left this afternoon for a day ashore.

Nov 3 "Hornet" and "Estella" released, also the "Beladona", the last on telegraphic authority from the Bureau. The station is thus cleared of vessels.

Nov 4 Hospital Steward Peck returned. The steamship Greetlands was inspected and passed. It was ordered here by the Mobile pilots on account of sickness aboard, but the case was only simple malarial fever.

Nov 5 Steamship Kanawha inspected and passed. This vessel was also sent over from Mobile, but had no sickness on board. Judson and Edwin Batton given leave until the 9th.

Nov 6 Made a trip to Biloxi in the whale boat, which has just been fitted out with new sails, made on the station.

Nov 7 Stephenson, deckhand on the Welch, resigned. Leave given to Amanda Underwood laundress, until next Tuesday (the 10th). One vessel inspected and passed. Amanda Underwood given leave until the 10th.

Nov 8 No inspection. A norther is blowing.
Sunday

Nov 9 The work of building a new house on the Zamura, to protect the machinery, was begun. Judson and Edwin Batton returned to duty. It is said there was a frost in Biloxi last night; not noticed here.

Nov 10 One vessel inspected and passed. The schooner "Oscar G." came in just at sundown, will be inspected tomorrow. The laundress returned this morning.

Nov 11 Inspected and passed two schooners. A schooner with firewood arrived but could not unload to-day because the lights was high on the beach in low tide. Foggy weather. The "Welch" was sent to Crooked Bayou, Miss., to be laid up for the winter. The "Zamura" is kept behind to build a new house on her for protecting the machinery.

Nov 12 Fog so thick this morning the "New York" could scarcely find the station; norther at night. A vessel came in at sundown, not in time to be inspected. The light house tender, Commander Caphlan, came this afternoon with four new buoys for the station, but as they are not needed here this winter to mark an infected anchorage it was agreed between us to leave their placing until next April and so save the wear and tear of the winter on them.

Nov 13 Inspected and passed the four masted bark "Mersey" this morning. Weather very rough, calming slightly in afternoon. "New York" did not come till afternoon.

Nov 14 Make a trip to Biloxi in the whale boat.

Nov 15 One vessel inspected and passed. Employee Sunday Georges Richer went to Biloxi on a day's leave.

Nov 16 One vessel inspected and passed.

Nov 17 The fishing schooner "St. Bartholomeo Apostolo", of Biloxi, came in to fish in the lagoon by permission.

Nov 18 The fishermen who came in yesterday fished until the afternoon to-day, and after scouring the waters and making some good hauls, went away without so much as thanking anyone, not to say contributing any fish to our tables. This ends such privileges to such kind of men. The chief fisherman was Mr. Moran. A vessel from Pensacola came in and was relieved from formal inspection, the British barkentine "C.W. Janes". Attendant Georges Richer returned and Attendant John Eaton went on leave.

Nov 19 No special events. Several of the men were allowed to go in the whale boat to Biloxi to-night to attend a circus. Although the "New York" came as usual it failed to bring the mail to-day. Attendant Olsen went with the whale boat to-night on three days leave.

Nov 20 Attendant Eaton returned. Some fishermen were refused the privilege of fishing in the quarantine waters this morning.

Nov 21 Attendant Olsen returned before time; Judson and Edwin Batton went to Biloxi to spend Sunday. Two vessels inspected and passed. Regular official inspection held at 3 P.M. to-day, instead of on Sunday.

Nov 22 No special events.
Sunday

Nov 23 Atttendant John Eaton resigned with to-day, or rather was laid off. Harry Nelson, lately of the "Welch", arrived at the station and was nominated for employment from to-morrow. This man can cook and has had yellow fever, and is therefore very valuable at this station, being a capable seaman beside. Judson and Edwin Batton (attendants) returned from Biloxi this morning.

Nov 24 One vessel inspected and passed.

Nov 25 Some more wood was received by schooner from Scranton. Ducks are appearing about the island in considerable numbers; three shot to-day.

Nov 26 Thanksgiving, observed as a holiday.

Nov 27 Bricks for new chimneys at the executive building were delivered at the station to-day.

Nov 28 A norther this afternoon terminated a spell of dry close, warm weather. Inspection held at 3 P.M. Attendants Richer and Underwood went on Sunday leave.

Nov 29 A severe norther, with rain, blowing all day, Sundayso bad one could hardly stick his nose outside.

Nov 30 Norther continues. No transfer of mail.

Dec 1 The same story. The rain beats in through the closed north window of the parlor at the surgeon's quarters and wets the floor badly.

Dec 2 The mail was sent over by the pilot boat to-day but none was taken back, although the norther is not so severe and traffic is resumed on the Sound. The "New York" has something broken. Acting Assistant Surgeon Moncure arrived on the pilot boat. Attendant Richer returned but the laundress did not. Was called over to the bark Edingburgh this afternoon to see and injured man there.

Dec 3 Transfer made by "New York" this afternoon. The laundress returned. Weather calm and beautiful this evening.

Dec 4 The "New York" made the usual transfer this morning.

Dec 5 Inspection at 3 P.M. Hospital Steward Peck and several of the men visited Biloxi in the whale boat to-night.

Dec 6 No events.
Sunday

Dec 7 Made a trip to Biloxi in the whale boat. Two vessels inspected by A.A. Surg. Moncure and both passed. Remainder of lumber left by Mr. Liengard's schooner.

Dec 8 Launch engine arrived after undergoing repairs at maker's shop.

Dec 9 Launch hauled out on ways.

Dec 10 Work begun on two sign boards to mark the quarantine station at the north and south extremities of this coast of the island. Hospital Steward Peck, who has thus far not availed himself of his month's leave of absence obtained December 1st, left for New Orleans to-day. Attendant Olsen left for a day's absence.

Dec 11 Attendant Maggie Mayer went on two day's leave.

Dec 12 Attendant Olsen returned. Attendants Batton, Batton and Nelson went to Biloxi in the latter part of the afternoon. Inspection omitted on account of some hurry in the work of making ready for building chimneys to the executive building.

Dec 13 No events.
Sunday

Dec 14 Hospital Steward Peck returned, also Attendant Mayer. Work was begun on the two chimneys at the executive building this afternoon, two workmen from Biloxi, Mr. Giles Harkness and Mr.-- having come on the "New York" at noon.

Dec 15 Mild north blowing. "New York" did not come out, for some reason. Work on chimneys progressing.

Dec 16 Everybody working on the chimneys except the head boatman who is getting the launch in order. I to-day gave notice to the cook, Maggie Mayers, that I should dispense with her services at the end of this month. Although a good enough woman she does not know how to cook, and I have for some time intended to accept the first good applicant for the place. It has been apparent of late that this attendant was a pet of Hospital Steward Peck, and when he learned of my action it threw him into ill-concealed rage. He has already written to the Bureau asking for a change of station, basing his request on eye trouble. I shall write and approve the request.

Dec 17 The chimneys were finished outside this morning, and the fronts of two grates were built inside. Painting of the launch finished.

Dec 18 The work of finishing up the chimneys was done in good season to-day. Informed Hospital Steward Peck that I should not ask him to perform any duties during the remainder of his leave of absence.

Dec 19 The bricklayers returned to Biloxi. Attendant Richer went on a day's leave. Inspection held at 3:30 P.M. Two vessels inspected and passed.

Dec 20 No events.
Sunday

Dec 21 Attendant Richer returned. The cook went to Biloxi for the night.

Dec 22 Visited Biloxi in the whale boat and had a very tedious trip back against a heavy head wind. Mr. J.T. Swetman came to the Island to see about some cattle of his which have run wild here for months. I believe he slaughtered some right here to-day. I shall try to have them removed from this reservation. The attendants built the sign board at the northwest point of the island to-day.

Dec 23 Attendant Thompson went on a few days' leave.

Dec 24 Attendants Judson and Edwin Batton and Amanda Underwood went to Biloxi to spend Christmas.

Dec 25 Christmas - the holiday was kept at the station.

Dec 26 Three vessels inspected and passed. Attendant Thompson returned. Inspection this afternoon.

Dec 27 No events.
Sunday

Dec 28 Attendants Judson and Edwin Batton and Amanda Underwood returned. Attendant Oskar Frantgen went to Biloxi on the "New York" to see about fitting for the launch engine, which has not yet been put together.

Dec 29 One vessel inspected and passed. Attendant Frantgen returned with the materials for putting the launch machinery together. The transfer of mail was made by sail to-day. Two of the attendants made a wonderful catch of fish with the gill net in the lagoon, getting in one haul more than a thousand, chiefly mullet.

Dec 30 Attendants at work salting down fish.

Dec 31 Rainy. One vessel inspected and passed. M. Mayers, acting cook, discharged to-day for incompetence, as foretold December 16. The launch engine is put together at last but the weather is too rough to test it.