

S.^t John's River Scotia 1781

Wednesday Sep. 19 Last night it blew fresh at about SE with plenty of rain - I hoped a Nly wind to day but it cleared up with a small breeze at about W - which soon veered to about SSW & SW - & in latter part of the ^{day} almost calm - tis now at 9 in the Evening calm - quite a clear Sky & a bright N. Light -

Thursday Sep 20 - about 12 at noon left S.^t John's River with a moderate breeze at NW - about 10 at night we were off the Gut of Annapolis - but the wind was so small that the flood tide set us so far to the Eastward that we could not get in - from about 12 at night calm lay with our head off shore -

Friday 21. Wind at about ENE made sail at 6 am - Hood in for the Land - at 8 Tacked stood off

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& after beating about 3 hours under Reef Toppails we got into the Gut - & at about 2 pm came to anchor about 2 miles within on the Northern side in 8 fathoms - We had been in but a little time before a severe gale ^{came on} - had we been out we would have suffered no sail at all - our canvas would not have borne it - Thanks God we are not out - I think it a very fortunate circumstance that we got in as we did - now at 8 pm - more moderate but still blows hard -

Saturday 22 Sep. Got up to Annapolis Town about 2 o'clock pm - Threw what will some years hence be a delightful Country - 2 of my People taken ill to day with wet & fatigue Imagine

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