

share of the bread. The English crew were not called up to take their share of any money. Captain Gibert went on shore when the Panda reached Nazareth, and came again in two months; he was sick on board five days; when he recovered, he went on shore again, and did not come on board any more. Think captain went on board once after

that when I was on shore, but am not certain. Panda had nothing on board when taken but provisions and water; she had no straw mats nor palm oil; there were plenty of muskets and pistols on board—also rice, farina, four or five barrels of rum, and some bread; do not know how many flags there were on board.

*November 16.*

*Anastasio Sivera.* Am 23 years of age. Shipped on board the Panda on the 9th of February, 1833. [Witness identified Captain Gibert, the mate, and the rest of the prisoners.] Went first to Cape Lopez in her; thence to Nazareth. They ran her ashore at Cape Lopez, intending to burn her—upon which occasion they put me and three other Portuguese on shore. The vessel was got off afterwards and went up the river; belonged to her four months after that, during all which time she lay in the river. After she had been there some little time, Captain Gibert came to Cape Lopez, and sent me and others on board again. Captain and mate lived on shore, as did part of the crew—only eight or nine remained on board. Did not see the cargo she brought from Havana, but know she took in slaves, because saw them. When the English boats came up the river on the 4th of June, 1833, the carpenter told all to get into the boat and go ashore, as he was about to set fire to the schooner. Carpenter was last man who left the schooner. I went to the barracoen where the captain was; staid there one day; the captain turned me and the rest of the Portuguese off, saying he could not support us.

I went to a negro hut, and staid there nine or ten days. The schooner was taken out of the river, but returned at the end of twelve or fifteen days. There was a Portuguese schooner lying there; went on board and asked captain to give me passage to Prince's Island; captain said he would. Captain Trotter was on board at the time; took him prisoner, and ordered him to be put on board the schooner Panda. Captain Trotter came there shortly afterwards himself, and commenced firing on the town; at the second gun, the schooner blew up. We were then put on board a small Portuguese sloop that lay near, and from thence on board the Curlew. Shipped on board the Panda for the voyage out and back to Havana, and was to receive one hundred and twenty dollars. Don't know what the other Portuguese shipped for, but one of them was to have received the same as myself. The Panda was a two-top-sail schooner, long and slim; she had a brass pivot gun abaft the mainmast, and two iron carronades; she had no swivel on board; she had no regular head, but a sort of a billet-head. It was a long slim piece of wood, turned up at the end.