Jerusha Hall Howes
Around the World, 1841-1846

Not every wife who went to sea saw terrible events unfold.

Jerusha Hall married Capt. Moses Howes when he came home to Dennis in 1841. For the next five years, she sailed with her husband as he journeyed “around the Horn” to San Francisco, Asia and around the Cape of Good Hope to Mediterranean ports.

Capt. Howes boasted that he had never lost a vessel or had to make an emergency port, for which Jerusha must have been grateful. He retired from the sea in 1870 and died in 1877. Jerusha cherished the ships’ logbooks her husband had made during their voyages and perused them often after his death, bringing back happy memories of their times and adventures together at many foreign ports.