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Adventures for the future

With the advent of spring this year, thoughts of new adventures might be dancing in some people's minds. For my grandfather, a Connecticut farm boy, adventure meant joining the crew of W.A. Slater's yacht Eleanor during the 1890s to sail around the globe. Little did this landlubber know that 110 years after his maiden voyage, The Slater Memorial Museum would open in Connecticut. The curator would have treasured including a record of my grandfather's two-year expedition—what experiences he and other shipmates shared both on the yacht and in their ports of call.

Oh, the fabulous adventures he must have enjoyed! Unfortunately, no one wrote them down. A few brief stories and a couple of photos remain, lovingly collected and now stored in an heirloom family book.

Who knows if someone in your family did something that later would be considered historical. Capture those stories while you can.

Happy recording,

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