

Only for the tricky business of getting out of harbour at Brixham was ~~the~~ Mayflower II being towed.....for this was the day that the replica of the original Mayflower that carried the Pilgrim Fathers to America was to undergo her first trials on the open sea. <sup>and</sup> This was the anxious time when the builder and designer would discover whether they had built a Mayflower as seaworthy as that famous old original of more than three centuries ago. Clear of the harbour --- they let go the yards and the sails filled out in the freshening breeze. This is how the old Mayflower must have looked, as its adventurous passengers left the old world behind them --- and set out to found a new world on the other side of the Atlantic. This scene relives a chapter of history that changed the course of the world.