Clarke, John b. 1817?
Journal, 1852.
on Board the Ship Goz Montoy
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Stream March
the 10. 1852
Thursday 11 lying at
Anchor in east River

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him and he went back
in the Steamer 8 forfeit
his Passage money
Saw a whale 2d
outside the hook
shift for at the rate
of 10 miles the hour
I was taken sick
this afternoon
Saturday
13 Running at the rate of 8 miles weather equally

Sunday 14 Foggy till day calm in forenoon Afternoon running 5 miles per hour

Quite sick to Day sound homenick thought I should like to stop and see the folks Passed a vessel see one far astern Facked ship in night.

Monday 15 Rainy going at the rate of 9 knot did not seem to get over my sea sickness my eye is sore so I cant read got the blues the worst kind Afternoon weather fine About 10 knot on south edge of the Gulf
Tuesday Jan weather was Sherman on the weather. Bow standing up at 12 o'clock had run the East 25 hours 142 miles, running about 11 miles. Per hour with wind fair got a little better of my sickness. Should like to have some of your beans. Can't eat the salt fish. Afternoon I saw a wreck & wanted to go.

Wednesday 14
Weather fine wind fair going about 6 or 8 miles. Afternoon running at the rate of 10 ½ miles. Wind fair. I am not to sit for three months at the least. Hard living my eye sore. I can't read. I feel that it is a dear lesson but I shall have to bear it. I would give some to be
Thursday 16

Wind fair running at the rate of 8 miles

get a little more reconciled but have plenty of time to think of home wife & children & friends plenty of time for reflection think & think have nothing else to do can't read on account of my eye being tone made out to shan for the first time since we come out i try to feel content and to think that when i get there the excitement and work will wear away the time but it is noise for i can not forget home & my friends they hold the first place in my thoughts we ever made a call for something to draw up to paper to present to the
Friday 19. Morning fine going at rate of 8 miles wind fair. Afternoon going at the rate of 10 miles. Saw a brig heading north east by east had rice for dinner to day badly burnt don't think I could have eat it at home we tried to get our meeting in order in the evening but did not succeed in our object I think we shall do something to morrow.
Saturday 20

Morning wind fair going about 10 miles hour carried away our studding sail Boom rigged out brother all night come up with at Barke about 51 miles distant standing the same way that we are running night away from her had hard bread and fat so ok for breakfast can't go it yet made an appointment with a seden passengers at brother Mr Moore of Providence. Afternoon the bank is out of sight making 10 miles hour
Sunday 21
Weather fine wind light going at the rate of 5 mile, how it is dreadful lonesome I feel like to be home to go to meeting with you, our living is very bad I can't go at all yet.
Afternoon fine rate of 50 miles the Sunday bias nearly gone as lonesome as Sunday as I ever saw the men that go to California get hard times and harder fine
Monday 22
Morning, Showers at 6 o'clock, weather fine with a good breeze, wind fair at rate of 8 miles at night showers, wind fresh & fair 11 miles the hour.
Tuesday 23

Morning weather fine going at rate of 1 1/2 miles an hour. I feel some better this morning. My eye is quite done. But I think some better now.

Evening the pumps gave out the ship takes in lot of water.
Wednesday March 24, 1852

Morning weather fine, wind light but fair took the pump out this morning to fix it. The cabin boy had to set the evening bell it was very severe we thought he would die, our second mate has been sick for more than a week but is a little better.
Thursday March 23, 1852

Morning fine and calm, going 1 and a mile. Caught the first fish on board this morning. The cabin boy is very sick but we have hopes of his recovery. The weather is very warm. We are in the tropics. I understand the cabin boy hurt his head coming out of the cabin the other day.
Friday March 26, 1852

Morning dead calm saw a bank standing to westward shew our private signal and she hoisted English colors. Afternoon calm to ship across our bow; going east a wave I feel as though those who go to California earn all they get in the provocations they have to endure our living is of the worst quality with the exception of the Pilot Bread which is good. Our cook knows nothing about cooking sometimes raw and always dirty the beef & pork is so salt that I can't eat it so I make out with what I can get. I should like some of your trinkets.
Saturday March 27, 1852

Morning five dead calm dead stick of this if I was on shore now I should let California go to gran.

Afternoon slight breeze about one mile an hour

the second mate was out on deck for the first time since his attack of the remittance he looks very sick our first cabin boy I think will get better we are about in the Latitude of the Cape Verd Islands and wishing for a good stiff breeze
Sunday March 28, 1852

Morning fine, running at the rate of 8 miles an hour. I feel very lonesome. I should like to be home to go to meeting with you. We don't know anything about our privileges till we are deprived of them. I made out to read one in the Bible to day. My eye is quite sore yet so I can't try it to much. One of our passengers is dreadfully homesick. It seems he will never get over it. I feel bad enough myself when I think what friends I have left behind and all for I know not what but I try to drive these thoughts away and think the time will soon pass away and I shall be home with my Dear.
Monday, March 29, 1852

Morning fine wind not fair but going about 7 miles an hour thinking all the time about home wife and children I keep thinking I will drive away such thoughts but it is no use I can't keep my mind from them and it makes me feel bad. Afternoon wind very light saw a Brig standing to westward the Captain signaled her and she showed English coast Colours the men aboard begin to come on account of the light winds they think they are going to have a long passage the weather is very warm some of the passengers got their letters ready to send home in the brig but she did not come near
Tuesday March 30-1852

Morning fine & cooler wind light & not fair running about 5 points off our course. Saw a Bank running off before the wind, my eye is sure I can't read nor write much we spoke the ship Ionian from Calcutta bound to London & saw another ship standing across our stern. Afternoon good breeze running about 5 points of our course we had the best Daff for dinner we have had. I wrote a letter with the intention of sending it home in the Bank but found she was not bound to the United States so I sent it to Davy Jones Locken.
Wednesday March 31, 1852

Morning fine wind light about 6 miles an hour off the Hands of Cape Verde - set up nearly all night - it was so extremely hot down in the cabin. Our sick patient are all on deck to day - my eye feels at good deal better - we have one of the worst kind of homesick men on board - he won't be reconciled to his situation but keep fretting all the time - because he has left home I try to comfort him as much as I can - I read some to him out of the Bible - but it seems to do no good - he is a single man from New York State - about 31 years old.
Thursday April 1 1852

Morning fine going at the rate of 10 miles wind fair. Mr. Lewis I think is under deep conviction for sin he has been very homesick and feels very miserable I have gave him all the consolation I can. I think the voyage will do me a great deal of good I have had ample time for reflection I have made up my mind by the help of God to give up novel reading and devote myself more to religion I spoke to the captain about our fare he said he meant to have things right he went and charged the cook to see that the victuals were well cooked he says he had nothing to do with the bill of fare he says he had his orders and sole sayed down in New York for him
Friday April 2 1852
Morning fine wind firm going at the rate of 8 miles an hour saw at large bank standing towards Europe the signal gun on shore German batteries.

Afternoon going at rate of 10 miles carried publick sail yard. Line was about 12 degrees, 35 miles north of the line at 12 o'clock.

I feel as though I should like to stop in to see my dear wife and children it is very hard to be deprived of their society so long. I never realized these dearer to me till I got away from them but I look forward to the time when I shall return to their embrace never more to part on earth.
Saturday April 3-1852

Morning fine, we have been running through the night at the rate of 10 miles the weather is fine and very comfortable. We are running now at the rate of 9 miles and one in hopes of reaching the line in less than 25 days. If this wind continues to blow, I had a little blow with the steward on account of our sugar. He gets worse every day; he won't let us have enough sugar for our coffee.
Sunday April 4, 1852

Morning fine going 4 miles an hour. The thermometer stood 59 degrees.
We had meeting this morning on the quarter deck one of the passengers read a Sermon and Prayed and we had Singing some of the Bible and most of the passengers were present it was very still and orderly the weather is extremely warm below. Afternoon going about 9 miles an hour. One of our passengers James T. Clay is most cross he worry himself so much about home we fear he will do some rash act with himself.
Monday April 5, 1857

Morning fine running from 9 to 10 miles. Latitude 45 degrees 29 minutes. North the weather is extremely warm. The sun is directly overhead at noon. The cabin boy has been taking with fits again. Quite sick at night. One of our passengers is quite sick with colic. I don't feel well myself. Afternoon sailing at the rate of 10 miles. Evening very pleasant but warm below in cabin. Feel encouraged think we shall have a short passage. Our homestealer Mr. J. Ha. Sayre is quite busy about the actuals and about his home.
Tuesday April 6 1852

Morning fine going 6 miles an hour — at noon shower almost calm 260 miles north of the line. I overheard my thanks to find my things in needle & to see if my clothes were clean and every thing I saw reminded me of home and the kind and good Wife I had left at home and my heart almost fails me to think what substantial comfort I left to be stayed away in this warm place with nothing to eat and amidst all this confusion I don't hardly know to contain myself. I don't wonder that Mr. Sarpas is crazy I am almost myself.
Wednesday April 7 1852

Morning rainy almost overcast. The day balmy it was so warm last night I could not sleep and walk the deck most of the night. I caught water enough to wash my clothes. We crossed the line in the night to day at 12 o'clock. We were 36 miles south of the Equator. Thinking about home takes up most of my time. I begin to look forward to the time when I shall return to clasp my dear wife to my heart never to part more on earth.
Thursday April 8 1852

Morning shower with

balm north squalls of wind
rain very warm in the
degree, 55 mile south of the
line. We had a meeting of
the second cabin passengers.

last night to take into
consideration some means to better
our fate. We appointed to tomorrow
to wait on Captain Burgess and
state our grievances and try
and obtain redress. To day our
duff was not half cooked and
the captain says he will
see that the victuals are well
cooked. But I have no faith
in his word. If he only gets
us through as cheap as he can
he don't care how much
we suffer
Friday April 9, 1852

Morning equally fair on fine wind. Night almost calm. Afternoon going at the rate of 8 miles an hour. Cabin boy had a fit last night they took him while walking on deck.
Saturday April 10 1857

Morning fine winds light going 6 to 7 mile
through the day Passed a ship in morning standing to windward. Said ship standing some course we were we shewed private signal and she shewed English when we hoisted the American ensign and she shewed her Telegraph Signals but we could not answer she ran down to us our captain hailed her and she would not answer passed at Bank standing on watch our living to day was very bad at dinner rice half cooked supper mush vow meal to day the captain ordered the 2nd cabin passengers of the quarter deck
Sunday April 17 1852

Morning fine going about 5 an 6 mile an hour. The English Ship Sword fish the Captain tried to speak yesterday is about 3 or 4 miles to theeward. Saw a Bark standing to Northward. Had no meeting on board this morning we feel rather put out on account of being ordered of the quarterdeck. I been reading some this morning in the Bible. I made up my mind to day to commence and read it through.

Afternoon Breeze light passed a Brig standing to North West. Had some more reading in Bible and enjoyed myself as well as I could expect away from home.
Monday April 12 1852

Morning fine with 8 knots breeze in company with the English ship "sword fish" at noon. Latitude 10 degrees 49 miles. Longitude 30 degrees west. The English ship "Hull down" astern. Evening English ship in sight astern as far as we could see. Breeze good going at rate of 9 or 10 miles. I took my clothes trunk on deck this morning to see our them found them in good order.
Tuesday April 13 - 1859

Morning fine going at the rate of 2 miles. A Bark in sight about 3 miles to leeward running the same way as we are. Another vessel in sight on the lee bow. It proved to be a Morphracite Brig running to Northland. The Bark to leeward proved to be a Steam Propeller thought to be the Pioneer Bound to Panama by the way of the straits at 3 o'clock in the afternoon almost calm and the steamer out of sight at 12 o'clock noon in Latitude 13 degrees 13 miles south. The weather is extremely warm. The thermometer ranging from 80 to 90 in the shade.
Wednesday April 19 1852

Morning fine almost calm going about 2 miles an hour at 2 Ship in sight away asteering we had baked beans for dinner the best dinner I have had since I have been out. I was thinking about home and my dear wife this is my birthday and I should like to drop in and see how you are all getting along.

Afternoon 2 vessels in sight asteering we had a meeting at 7/8 East 2 and read pieces from the paper estate listed by the 2nd Cabin passengers and it was quite amusing there was quite a number of Jokes wrote on the 2nd Cabin passengers.

Latitude 41 degrees 33 s
Thursday April 15 - 1852

Morning fine Almost calm Afternoon squally with a good deal of wind our liberty does not improve in the least the captain has not the least regard for the passengers but feeds & treats them like hogs we had duff for dinner & day that is flour and water mixed and boiled with raw molasses on it and not half enough of that & Latitude 15 Degree 53 minutes South
Friday, April 16, 1852

Morning calm & ship in sight to windward.

Afternoon calm with rain squalls.

Saw flock of the storm petrel or mother Carey's chicken dancing about on the water.

Picking up the crumbs from the ship to day for dinner.

Had rice badly burnt not fit to eat had to eat on scraps.
Saturday April 19 - 1832

Morning fine. A Breeze spring up with the Sun calm all night saw to Topsail Schooner standing to the Northward. A Ship to windward standing same way as we are. Afternoon good Breeze running about 4 miles had squall rain and wind it is hard work to get along without a disturbance. The captain got rubbed pretty hard by one of the Passengers not knowing that he was near. He said that the stowaways were vessels & chest & & and that Captain Burgess was the same he had got our money and did not care for our comfort or convenience he does care whether we starve or not it would be all the same to him.
Sunday April 18 1852

Morning with fine Breeze at the rate of 3 miles, got up this morning quite early I could not sleep staid on deck a short time and went below and laid down till daylight.

our Latitude at Noon 12 deg 19 min 25 miles south. 37. 38 west longitude about one hundred miles from the coast of Brasil at dinner to day took away our pickles and substituted cotton & dried potatoes our duff was plain and as heavy as lead.
Monday April 19, 185-

Morning fine going along about 7 miles. Land in sight distant about 100 or 30 miles on the coast of Brazil to the north of Rio Janeiro. Two ships in sight one ahead of us and the other on our weather quarter. The captain lost 9 hams today and because he could not find them he accused the 2 of cabin passengers of stealing them and took away what small stores we had such as cheese, pepper, pepper-corn and various dried apples.
Tuesday April 20, 1852

Morning - Calm. Two ships in sight. Saw a great smoke at a distance supposed to be a Whaler trying in. The Whaler had quite a time this morning. The captain came down with his men to search our room and trunks. He could not find them. They found me and about half of another kid away on deck but can't tell who took them. We have yet to suffer. He says that he shall lay it to the 2d calm passenger and make them suffer all alike. The incident for the guilty one of the passengers caught a large dolphin that morning and had it chowdered. I did not taste it.
Wednesday April 21, 1857

Morning fine but calm. Several ships in sight. Sailed in sight to the mouth of Rio de la Plata. Breg standing in towards Rio. First Mate and some of the passengers took the boat to carry letters on board to send home. I did not know about it in time to finish my letters and seal and direct it before they had put off from the ship. They boarded the Breg and then went on board of a ship which we had come up with. She proved to be the Catherine of Stuart, from New York to Panama with a load of coal, out 16 days longer than us. The Breg was the Elise from Newcastle with coal to B.
Thursday April 22 - 1852

Morning fine wind fair

going at the rate of 8 or 9 mi.

noon latitude 26° 52' North

spoke to the Captain on account

of the Oregon. He said he entered

to put us on many navigations

and we may get redress when we

get there if we like. I told him

I should not say no more to

him on the passage but I should

get redress if I could. At noon

the ship Catherine out of light

stern. 10 o'clock at night

A squall of wind took the

ship aback it carried

away the mizen cross trees

otherwise it did no mischief

except frightening some

of them. Some I was asleep

at the time and did not

know it till morning
Friday April 23, 1852

Morning fine with plenty of wind at vessel in sight ahead had a fight between two sailors this morning. At
Spanish and Englishman the Spanish drew knife on the other but was separated without much mischief. Now in Latitude 24° 25' South 2 vessels in sight quite rough today quite a number of the passengers sick. The weather is quite cool and fallish. Today the sugar comes out. Short the captain pretends to put us on an allowance of 2 ounces per day but we don't get half of that. Our supper to night is corn meal stewed in water and baked tea without sugar biscuit salt.
Saturday April 24 - 1857

Morning fine with a good breeze going about 8 miles an hour.

Noon in latitude 29° 35'-

about 6 or 8 miles an hour.

I dont feel very well this day.

I made a beginning toward my brother today. I danced my stockings for the first time.

I could not find my yarn - I should like to see the folks to home very much. I feel very lonesome aboard this ship. I miss my friends very much.

Home is sweet. So can some if they want to stay if I get home again to embrace my wife and children. I shall be satisfied to stay at home.

We have plenty of wind tonight going about 10 miles. Plenty of birds flying about to theeward.
Sunday April 25-1852

Morning squally wind
fair going from 10 to 12 miles
an hour to day I feel quite sick I don't feel to relish any
of the victuals we get on board. I am afraid it will make
me quite sick for breakfast to
day as sugar fell much short
our dinner was delayed till one
oclock we got no pickles to day
we have not for two or three
weeks past. I have been
thinking of the folks at home
are thinking of me this evening
out here of the river. S. C. Plate
under double masted Topside,
headwind blowing a Gale
mush & molasses half cooked
Tea that I would not drink
to home it tastes like clover
on an allowance of sugar
Sometimes I get some and sometimes none when I get it the rest has to go without. I should like to drop in tonight and see you all. I think of you all the time. I could not think that you were so dear to me if I ever get home to you again. I will never leave you to go on such a wild goose chase. I hurt feet at all well to night. I think I should like very much to see Johnny and give him a kiss. I suppose he thinks a good deal about his horse but if he gets his father back safe he will be fortunate there are so many dangers near in great deep. God watches over us all.
Monday April 26 - 1837

Morning the Gale died away this morning about sunrise to steady breeze but out at head. I have felt the worse to day of any day since I came out. I have got a bad cold and am come with the Rheumatism the living I yet is not sufficient hardly to keep a man alive. The weather is quite cold and uncomfortable considering we have just come out of the Tropick. Saved as brig standing to northward there is to good many kind of different kinds flying round the ship the passengers shot two seamen to Gulls. The wind to night so loud round fair but very light I feel some better to night I took some pain killer and think it help me. I endure. A good deal on your account I think I did wrong in coming away from you.
Tuesday April 27 1852

Morning wind fair but very light. I slept very well last night and feel better this morning. So having a little warm water that Joseph caught on deck I thought I would do up my washing before I got down to Cape Haze. water was not to cold you would laugh some to see me washing with about 20 or 3 quarts of water but that is better than attempting to wash in salt water. today one of the passengers caught it seen Bird with a hook and line. I could not find out the name of it. it measured about 3 ft from tip of each wing and was very pretty but quite awkward on deck they threw him up and he flew away glad enough
To get away to day one section of 6 men took their allowance of sugar with the beast in human form who has command of this ship brought them down to. I sometimes think I shant love the voyage through under such treatment, he treat us all more like beast than human beings. I sat on the rail of the ship and look away toward home and think of the dear one there. I sit there many pleasant evenings all alone and wonder what you are doing and if you think of me, my mind is almost always occupied with home. I never could get reconciled to stay long away from those I love.
Wednesday April 28, 1852

Morning fine but calm. At 10 o'clock the wind came out ahead of three vessels in sight. I went down and finished the letter I had begun but I had no chance to send it one of the ships was on the same course as we were some five or six miles ahead. We got up with her about the middle of afternoon and discovered she was the Antelope of Boston 52 days out. The new Blowers ship cheered up our spirits to think we beat her. We had a meeting in the 2d cabin 2:15 o'clock. There was nothing done but the reading of the papers. Our captain opened his heart to say and let us have some pepper to eat on our bacon and Beans.
Thursday April 29 - 1863

Morning fine standing about 1 point off our course going about 8 miles an hour saw a large finback whale close to the ship, plenty of Birds flying round that frequent the whaling ground. To day at noon in latitude 38° 40', Longitude 40° 10' west. This morning the sun rose at 6 o'clock 20 min.
Friday April 30 - 1852

Morning fine going from 8 to 12 mls an hour at noon in latitude 40° 27' longitude 55° 13'. At 2 o'clock going about 12 mls an hour

shoal on the wind took in royal and reefed topsails. This morning sent down staysail yard, I saw a large fish jump out of the water several times. This morning they called it a killer, it was about 15 ft. long. The ship took in several seas today some of them got sea sick today.
Wednesday May 1, 1852

In the morning going at the rate of 12 and 14 miles an hour
noon in Latitude 43° 18'
Blowing at Gale of wind
took in royal & double reeved
topsails, the sea much higher
and is rougher than any time
since we came out to day we
had to face quite hard the
captain put us on an allowance
of butter of two ounces per
day on the day, it is specified
on our bill of fare, to day
the steward neglected to put
on our corn bread or much
321 to give us as it substitutes
for the same.
Tuesday May 2 - 1852

morning. Blowing a gale of wind we are under close reefed topsails. it is very dis-agreeable the weather is very cold. the sea runs mountain high. it is hard work to get our meals and the dishes have to suffer. if this gale continues long they will all be broke to day they gave us much half cooked or a substitute for duff we had at few pickles. some got 3 or 4 pieces some got none at all I got one but it was rotten I could not eat it. take it altogether it has been a very disagreeable day and I would have given much to have spent the day with you to home.
Monday, May 3, 1852

Morning the gale is abated some but there is still very heavy sea running the wind has hardly 2 points against us. The weather is very cold with snow and hail squalls. Afternoon in latitude 47° 25' the wind is lighter and more fair than it was today for dinner we had rice in stead of Beans as the bill of fare specifies the rice was so smoky that it was barely edible but we had nothing else but salt pork and that was so salt that I can't eat it. It is sheer hunger that makes me eat any of it. If we ask the steward the why and wherefore he does so he gives us some answer and the captain upholds him in it.
Tuesday May 24, 1852

Morning fine with fair wind going through the night about 10 or 11 miles an hour. We had quite a hail storm between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. and the stewards neglected to get our butternut this morning. And when we spoke about the steward abused us. One of the passengers carried some of the beef to the captain to show him how it was cooked. There is some excitement among the passengers trying to catch birds, they caught two birds they call them Cape pigeons. There is a great many flying round the ship. Some large Albatross an numerous small birds very handsome.
Wednesday May 5, 1852

This morning about 3 o'clock they discovered land and we were standing night in toward it. They put the ship Cassav on the wind and stood out till morning when we ran on again before the wind and as soon as the fog cleared away we discovered land about 4 miles on our starboard side. It was very barren black looking rock, showing their heads all along the coast. The Mountain, appear to be covered with snow there is plenty of wild fowl flying round the ship ducks and other birds. None of the passengers shot about a dozen but only two fell on board the ship. They are going have a stew out of them I expect they will be rather tough.
Thursday May 6 - 1852

Morning the wind is light but fair through the night it was dead calm the sky did not have steavage way on her the sear has it very heavy swell. I had a dream about the folks at home again last night. I thought I was there and was very much disappointed when I found it was a dream but there was some consolation in that was thing that put me in mind of the dear friend and there is very little time in the day but I think of them. I little knew our very dear my wife and children me to meet till I was deprived of their society. The delight of home the dear name of my dear one may delight in other things and forget it but I shall never. No never forget the thou sweetest of all the earth beside.
May 6 - 1852

in the forenoon had quite a snow storm and was quite cold. After dinner they saw land to the leeward supposed to be a small island called the Buccaneer Islands. Today I sold one pair of the short socks for 50 cent. The thermometer stood to night at 1 o'clock at 32 degrees. The sailors have a hard time setting up the mainowing this cold weather.

to night for supper we had what bread it was not half baked and we could not get half enough at that
Friday May 7, 1852

Morning the wind is light and out ahead the weather is extremely cold the ice makes quite just on deck and we have frequent snow and hail squalls the passengers generally keep below and card playing chess, backgammon, reading seem to be the order of the day to night before supper 37 of the passengers went aft on the quarter deck to the Captain with the petition that was allowed out to them about one pound for 37 men the Captain said he knew nothing about it it was weighed out by the Mate all night and we must see to it when we come in to the 2d cabin so we have to suffer the want of the things
Saturday May 8 - 1852

Morning very cold with about 2 inches of snow on deck. The wind is out of head this morning and very light. The Captain and Mate came down this morning to search the stewards pantry to see if he had any stowed away some of the passengers money. He was accused of selling things to the passengers that he proclaimed out of their allowance. There was only one of them named Babley that came forward and said he bought two busts for twenty-five cents. There were others that had bought things of him, but would not come forward against him. At noon to day when the Captain ascertained our Latitude we found the current had set us back about 20 miles it makes me feel very back.
Sunday May 9 - 1832

Morning fine wind light

sand in sight - on our weather

Now it is an Island called

Mater land it appears to be

very high rocky land covered

with snow it is about 80 miles

north & east of cape Horn

about noon we saw two Whales

close to the ship they were

playing around the ship

they fired at them but did

not affect them much.

Afternoon the land to wind

west quarter to west sight

to the westward.

our Bread for supper was

miserable stuff heavy and cold

all up.
Monday May 10 - 1852

Morning fine head wind but very light about 20 miles East of Cape Horn & there is quite an excitement this morning in regard to our Sugar & Butter our Cook came down into the cabin to get us to consent to take them for the week but we of course would not agree to it he went off & after a while sent our butter and sugar & butter down by the steward for us and we thought we had better take it though we was not satisfied we divided it between us as near as we could at dinner we had stewed Beans & Pork. the steward brought us some pickles that we should have had yesterday. I got half a small pickle and the rest got about the same quantity
I ask the steward for some more and could not get any more he brought them round and handed to each man in his hand the half of a Pickle - there was a school of Whales in sight about quarter of a mile from the ship. We had quite a gale of wind to night the dishes were rattled about to a great rate it was rather hard work to lay in the berth.

O boyie Horn I like you very much but rather not stay quite so long with you this time the weather is too cold and uncomfortable and we are in to much of a hurry now but I suppose we shall have to wait for wind and tide.
Tuesday May 11, 1852

Morning the wind blow very hard. The wave but not fair. We tacked ship about 10 o'clock in night to stand down to Cape Horn but about expect to weather it. We have one man in the cabin that is quite away an homesick. 

This afternoon at 2 o'clock we made Cape Horn on our Weather Bow. We tacked ship and stood out to enable us to weather it. We saw it this afternoon standing toward Cape Horn.
Wednesday May 12-1852

Morning fine the wind very light about 5 knot breeze we still on the wrong side of the Horn with a head wind what we gain by the wind we lose by the current. I stood in the state room this morning and look through the window to see the birds fly round the ship hundred of Cape Pigeons it very pretty bird about as big as a pigeon and gone on old bottles of manneec sees watching for the the scrap & stuff thrown over from the ship so we begin to be troubled with bed bug. One fell this morning on my face as I slept in my berth I got up and got it light and began to search and found quite a lot of them.
Thursday May 13 - 185-

Morning fine head wind and light we tacked ship about 12 o'clock to stand out from land. Tack'd ship again at 8 o'clock in moving to stand in to land. We made land about 12 o'clock. It was right to the windward. Passed us astern standing North the land shows quite plain on the Lee Bow very high and covered with snow. We ran in close to land as close as practicable and then tacked ship and stood south of the land appear to be Hermit Island & Cape Horn but we are too far to the East to Weather it. The talk is we are to run up into the Latitude of 60 south where we should have run first.
We have been five days beating up to the west the wind nearly all the time blowing from the west. There is a current of about 4 miles an hour setting to the east so we have to watch as we can do to hold our own and I began to fear we shall have to stay here some time it will be very disagreeable as the weather is so very cold that we can't stay on deck with any comfort. I think that when I get home again that it will be a very great temptation to tempt me to leave again when I think of the comforts of home the dear friends I have left it makes me almost sick. The confusion and playing swearing and quarreling is almost beyond endurance.
Monday May 12 - 1852

This Morning at 4 o'clock my vomit took in Royals and needed Freis & the wind still continues to head us of. I got up this morning at half past 7 o'clock I got so tired of laying in the berth that the day was so very short and the nights so long. The sun rises about 8 o'clock and sets at 4. He made land about 12 o'clock at noon. It proved the Islands of Santa Diego. We landed them on at 4 o'clock in the afternoon to stand off from land. The wind blowing very hard the ship from some cause or other was taken aback they then attempted to wear ship and at the second trial made out to get her round we had quite a time in the night by some of the passengers throwing things round and making as great noise.
Saturday May 15-1852

This morning at 4 o'clock tacked ship and wind fair enough to run our course running off with about 8 knot breeze the sea very rough. I feel it little better this morning to think we are going towards our destination the thermometer was standing at low as 26 or 0 degrees below freezing we saw land again this afternoon the Islands of San Diego they were well to the leeward so we got by them we dont expect to see land again for some time
Sunday May 16th 1859

Morning fine, not quite so cold as yesterday the wind very light freshened about 9 o'clock to about 5 knots to day for dinner we had beef so salt it was impossible to eat it. The steward came round and gave each man a half a pickle or one very small one in his plate and that was all we could get. The mush was not half cooked and one of the passengers carried it to the captain and he said it was not fit to eat. All that I got for dinner was a cake of hard bread and half a pickle. I should like very much to see you today to home to go to meeting with you. I am sick of this noise and confusion it is very distracting.
Monday May 17-1852

This morning is cloudy and the wind very light but fair. I got nothing for break
for this morning they fixed some mush for breakfast but there was not enough for all so I had to go without. Ask the
steward but he said there was none for me. There was some excitement today in serving out our allowance of butter & sugar with Mr. Spear and his Bhun weighed their butter and it 2 ounces instead of 12 ounces that being the quantity allowed by Capt. Burney. He carried back to the captain but he would not correct it if he did he said others would come too so he thought it back again.
Eighth of the men in one of the rooms took their
butter together they weighed it and found it 3 ounces short.
Mr. Spear sent his butter back to the captain by the steward
but the captain would not let him have it but made him carry it back into the 2nd cabin.
we of room 11 would not take ours but are determined
to have it put on the table for us. I feel some in hopes that the
passage will be short but we have
got well round the Horn. I feel very bad nearly all the time.
the victuals is so miserable poor that I feel sick nearly all
the time.
Tuesday May 18 - 1852

Morning fine the weather considerable warmer the wind directly off going about 60 or 70 knot.

I got up this morning and had to search for bedding. I found quite a number stowed away in the partition, killed all I could find and turned in again. This morning about breakfast time the Carpenter having the 2 Mate, watch on deck he being sick the Stewart went on deck the Carpenter wanted to know why he made so much noise in the night he said he made no noise the 8 told him he lied and ordered him to go aft and struck him in the mouth with his hand and drew blood. There was some noise made in the night.
Tuesday - 18

there was a keg or barrel of
mackerel belonging to the 2nd cabin
and so marked look in the first
galley for the first cabin, the
cook of the 2nd cabin says that
Captain Burgess told him to throw
hot water on any of the passengers
and scald them if they came in
to the galley. I understand
the Captain to say that he had
no fear of anything the passengers
only by the false representation
of the agents, he says he cautioned
them not to do it but he thinks
they did. The Captain said that
he did not believe the passengers
when they said what the agents
told them in regard to the flour.
The Captain at one time told the
steward he must shake up the
butter and make it look large
Wednesday May 19 - 1852

Morning fine the wind has gone round going sharp on the wind sailing N. W. some of the passengers rose up and writing others were dressing about breakfast the captain came to the company by and ordered the lights put out he then sent one of the boys down put them out.

The second term rose this morning clear at half past 10 o'clock the wind has been light all day and fair the captain went forward and told the cooks that if there was any victual left from the first cabin that was not fit for them to eat he would give it to the 2nd cabin passengers if he saw fit but he did not want the cook to give or sell any to them.
Thursday May 20 - 1852

Morning fine the wind is very light and not fair so the captain came to the companion way and ordered the stewards to put the light out in the room. The steward told him they were dressing but he would have them put out. It was about 6 o'clock.

I understood the captain made the cook give up all the money that the passengers had with them he has also ordered that none of the passengers be allowed to go in to the galley on any pretence.
Tuesday May 21 - 1862

This morning it blown a gale but the wind is fair it began to blow about 11 o'clock last night this morning at 6 o'clock the captain came and ordered the steward to put the lights out in the state room but the passengers let them again the captain then sent one of the Seaors down to put them out but he did not succeed he then came down himself and put them out he said we must lay in the berth till day light or else dress in the outside saloon we had nothing but hard bread and cheese for dinner because the steward could not get the pudding ready so we were to have it for supper and when he brought it on the table we found
There was but about half enough we had not any tea for supper that I suppose was unavoidable on account of the weather which has been the roughest of any we have had since we came out the sea ran very high it seems as though we were going to be buried beneath the waves but our ship rises above them the utmost confusion reigns in the 2d cabin dishes breaking chests of breaking away and all sorts of confusion
Saturday May 22-1852

Manning the wind has been a bit too much, our quarter has been blown about hard with snow squalls. I heard it very heavy, sea came on deck in the night as I lay in my berth, but I think it done no damage. Afternoon the wind continues fair going about from 10 to 12 miles an hour. To night at about dark we had a hail squall, it carried away a strutting sail boom the end of the boom with the block and straps was lost. The captain was没ing about it.
Sunday May 23 - 1852

Morning fine the wind fair going about 10 miles an hour the weather is a good deal warmer Mr. Brown gave me a cake of bread this morning I ate it for breakfast it was the best breakfast I have eat since I have been on board we had no pickles for dinner today had mush for dinner the wind continues fair going from 10 to 12 miles in Latitude 43 18 South I feel very much encouraged with this wind am in hopes we shall make a decent passage I dont care how soon I get out of this place such confusion as there is on board is not according to my fancy we have all sorts of folks here Infidel & Atheist arguing their different doctrines I try to keep my mind on home and God & religion as much as possible
Monday May 24 - 1852

Morning fine wind fair going about 10 miles an hour. I dont feel well this morning. This is my birthday 35 years old to day. 12 thousand miles from all I love most on earth. Oh how I wish that I could see the loved ones. My mind is always with them. I cannot be calm while away from them. The keenest my faults at this time of the unkind word. I have spoken I would give all I possess to recall what I ever done to cause them pain.
Tuesday May 25, 1852

Morning fine with head wind. Don’t feel well to day. I turned in this afternoon and slept and felt a little better. We had no corn bread for supper because we had fried corn meal for breakfast. The wind died away this evening they saw it Savage sink back while but I was below and did not see it. This evening about 10 o’clock we had a squall of wind and hail and rain. It came on us so sudden they did not get the light sails in. I was aslee at the time but it woke me up. It almost threw us on our beam ends. Some of our passengers left our window open and the water rushed in in torrents wetting some of them.
Wednesday May 26-1852

Morning fine, the wind light but fair I got this morning and took some of my letters for the first time. I had the head ache and did not feel well. Then this morning that we were in great danger last night when the squall struck us it took the captain, first mate and one man to manage the wheel. It seems to be the talk that there was great danger of her running under with so much sail on her. The captain came on deck about ten minutes before the squall and ordered more sail on her.
Thursday, May 27 - 1852

Morning fine, going about 10. or 11 miles an hour with fair wind. I feel some better this morning but got the ague in face quite bad. The wind has been fair all day going from 10 to 12 miles an hour. My face is all swelled up. I suffered a good deal with it. Took some pain killer and bathed my face in it.
Friday May 28 - 1852

Morning fire with 8 on 10 knot breeze steering north on about 3 points of our course. Last night I suffered a good deal last night with my face and teeth. I got up about 12 o'clock and one of the passengers lent me a piece of rubber cloth. I bound it on my face and got some sleep. I woke up very early and lay thinking about home. I never thought my love was so strong as it has proved time and distance only strengthens it. I think over all of my faults and unkind words. I think if I should be permitted to join my family once more it will be a great benefit to me that I have made this passage.
Saturday May 29 - 1852

This morning there is head wind blowing at a gale of wind. I went forward this morning to get some warm water to shave with while there the Captain came forward to see the first cook he passed through the 2nd galley and ordered me out of the galley, while standing waiting for my water the first cook and steward got to fighting they fought some 10 minutes before the carpenter who was officer on deck in place of the 2nd mate discovered it he then parted them and sent the cook aft they both got well bruised the Captain came forward and bathed with them he said if there was any fighting to do he wanted to do it, he came again shortly after and pulled him out of his room into the galley. I understand there is some trouble with the forestay mast and they have put a chain band round it and wedged it for fear of losing it.
Sunday May 30-1852

The Gale continues and blows much harder might dead ahead.
the first table had dandy punk for dinner
it is composed of dried Apples and
hard bread soaked and baked it is
one of the best dishes we have but
I would not look at it on shore
we had no pickles to day
to night about 10 o'clock the wind
blowing A gale standing close on the
wind they were taking the 2nd reef
in the topsails when the wind
swept suddenly from about 5 point
and put the ship all aback we were
in imminent danger for a short time
but happily they got her under way again
we where all in confusion below some
where turned in their berths and they
turned out quite sudden and rushed for
the deck. I began to think of the
folk to home to think I should see them
Monday May 31 - 1852

This morning the wind has died away much and we lay our course the sea still continues very high.

For breakfast this morning we had hard bread and salt junk. I eat only a small cake of bread I saved from my supper last night. For dinner we had stewed beans they were boiled in salt water and was as salt as brine the steward had to throw them overboard.

I saw a large sperm whale about a quarter of mile from the ship, the wind continues light but we lay our course.

To night for supper we had hard bread it had got wet and was mouldy we had salt junk and corn bread mixed in salt water we could not eat it it was all burnt up to a coal so by this time I began to feel the craving of hunger but it was so we all I could get was hard bread.
Tuesday June the 1st 1852

Morning fine with a good breeze
I got up this morning about half past one o'clock and found men out in the saloon playing at cards. I went on deck the weather was delightful, the moon shone bright and it was comfortable warm. I went down below again and turned in and left them still playing. Middle forenoon the wind shifted on our quarter fair but light the trade wind, which we have been looking for nearly a week past. I am in hopes that come at last. I don't feel well today got a bad cold with sore throat lower ache and feel homesick.
Wednesday June the 2-1858

Morning fine wind light about 3 and a knot breeze afternoon the wind died away but about 3 o'clock the wind would so that we had to stand at an angle on wind that has done away our trade wind for the present.

The captain has just discovered that some person or persons has been stealing about a third of a barrel of crushed sugar so I suppose he will lay it all to the 2nd cabin passengers they have had to bear all that has been done.

To day at noon we were in latitude 29 29 south on we have arrived in the troprick the weather is fine and just warm enough to be comfortable evening dead calm
Thursday June 3 - 1857

Morning fine no wind about rook. A breeze sprung up standing north by west at 2 p.m. off our course. Soon the wind headed us off standing north about 15 miles distant.

I feel more and more every day the emptiness of things and men it little with contentment is better than much riches and a discontented spirit. If I am so fortunate as to get back to my dear family I think I shall be satisfied. I think of many unkind words that I in an unguarded moment have uttered let fall and caused them pain. I think that if the Lord permits me to return I will set a double watch on my tongue and not let my passions run away with me. O my dear Wife and children the world has nothing half so dear to me as you are.
Friday, June 4, 1852

Morning fine with fair wind going along about 8 miles an hour on our course. One of the 1st cabin passengers has been sick almost the whole passage and I hear he is much worse and they think he can't recover. At noon almost calm. About 3 o'clock the wind freshened to 10 knot breeze running before it had a squall of snow. There was a school of whales seen from deck.

This evening at 8 o'clock one of the first cabin passengers died of consumption. He was sick when he came on board and has not been able to be on deck much of the time. His name is Johnson. He has a wife and children left to weep his loss. He has also a brother in California part of the ship's freight belongs to him.
Saturday June 5 - 1852

Morning fine with a 10 knot breeze directly aft. They are making preparations for the funeral to take place this afternoon at 12 o'clock noon Latitude 16-20 South.

The funeral of Mr Johnson was solemnised at 1 o'clock the ship was hove to with Tensail aback the body was placed on a plank it was sewed up in canvas and a bag with coal attached to the feet to sink. One end of the plank rested on the rail of the ship the body was covered with the Union Jack and the Ensign hoisted at the gaff Mr Sanborn read the burial services and gave out a hymn with which was sung and the body of our fellow passenger was consigned to the deep there to rest till the grave and sea are called on to give up their dead at the last great day.
Sunday June 6 - 1858

Morning fine wind fair averaged through the night 10 miles an hour. I feel very lonesome and homesick. I don't feel well to day got a very sore throat. I feel more the dear ones of the loved ones at home what would I not give to enable me to close them to my heart never more to part. Noon in Latitude 13° 27' south sailing at the rate of 10 miles per hour the wind to little on quarter evening wind the same going at the rate of 10 miles an hour average time sailing North West. We had no pickles for day had mush for dinner and bread for supper the steward said the sugar and butter fell short. I only got half enough sugar and the second table got neither butter nor sugar.
Monday June 7-1852

I got up at 4 a.m. in morning the room we sleep so close and stifling I could hardly breathe went on deck weather fine moon shining bright sailing about 10 miles an hour the wind the same quarter as yesterday. To day I saw a number of birds on sea fowl different from any we have seen on the passage they are large white birds with a very small sharp tail
Tuesday June 8 - 1852

Morning fine wind fair and blowing from 2 to 11 knot breeze
noon in latitude 7 degrees 56 south
with a good breeze. Took three
of Wright's vegetable pills and turned

Wednesday June 9 - 1852

Morning fine with from 8 to 10
knot breeze. I got up this morning about
7 bell or half past 3 o'clock. The wind
continues to blow from southwest and I
feel in hopes they will carry us across
the line so I have not quite got over
my cold took two more pills. Got to
night.
Thursday June 10-1854

Morning fine wind very light about 5 knot breeze. Got up about 5 o'clock and got Joseph to throw a bucket full of sea water for a morning bath. Noon in latitude 3 degrees 26 minute south the wind from 3 to 6 knot breeze.

Friday June 11-1854

Morning fine wind fair but light about 5 or 6 knot breeze. I begin to suffer serious inconvenience from being on board the barge is almost past endurance and then to think of the friends that I have left behind on an uncertainty. I feel that in leaving my wife and children and I have lost the dearest I have on earth for pittying gold.
Saturday June 12 - 1857

Morning fine. The wind light about 3 or 6 knot breeze. To-day at noon in Latitude 29 miles south of the line. I bought some Turkey jelly of Mr. Moore one of the first Cabin Passengers. I had quite a bad cold and thought it would do me good. I gave him 25 cents for it. Some of the passengers bought some Pickles of him. The weather there is delightful we have a light breeze all the time and the water is smooth as a river. We see schools of flying fish starting out of the water and flying two or three hundred yards before they light again in the water. We crossed the line about 6 o'clock this evening.
Sunday Morning June 13-1852

Morning fine wind fair and blew about 6 knot breeze so there was quite an excitement this morning owing to some one writing some papers and posting them up in the ship in some prominent place casting it star on Cap. Burges and Mr. Naone they that the two kept it retail and curtail store of Pickles and confectionary.

The bilge water is beginning to be very troublesome it has drove the passengers out of room No 1 they could not stand it and they moved their things and themselves on deck we had no Pickles to day we neither butter or Sugar neither for Breakfast or supper we had bread for supper each passenger had two space of small cakes and most allowed any more though there was several that wanted more and could not get it night going about 9 or 8 knot
Monday June 14 - 1852

Morning fine and warm, wind from the east about 8 or 8.5 knots. Steamed in the clothes room this morning and found some cakes of soft bread that the steward had cheated us out of at dinner time. Helped myself to 5 cakes of it and some of the others went and did likewise.

Tuesday June 15 - 1852

Morning fine and wind light to day. So I left the cabin State room. Found a berth under the boat on the cooks galley carried my mattress and blanket up and made my bed for the night. The stench from the bilge water is becoming so bad that most of the passengers have taken up quarters on deck in all manner of form.

This afternoon we had several rain squalls, it settled down into a steady rain so we had to turn in for the night.
Wednesday June 16 - 1852

Morning fine, our rain of last night lasted all night, killed the wind entirely and it is dead calm. I turned out this morning quite sore from being tumbled in my new berth, but found that its good deal better than sleeping in the cabin in the foul air that is there to breathe. The captain caught it shark this morning it was swimming about in the wake of the ship with several pilot fish round him. He took the fish almost the instant it touched the water they hauled him along side and slipped to running bowline over him and hauled him on deck. She was about 6 feet long for it was a female for on opening her they found five young sharks about 14 inches long, they were quite lively and made at any thing that came near them.
The sailors made use of the young ones and part of the old one to make a chowder. Some of the passengers tried it but I could not fancy it. The idea of eating that which was unborn sickened me. The calm continued all day and towards night we had sandy evidence that we were going to have a squall. It grew very black all around the horizon it began to rain shortly after supper. So I turned in to my berth under the boat. About 12 o'clock I was awakened by the noise on deck. The gale had caught us and we were going through the water at the rate of 12 or 14 miles an hour. But unfortunately the wrong away but there was no help for it. All hands were employed getting in sail and in the confusion and noise it seemed to me our time had come some of the men got out on deck and thought they would be safe on deck.
Thursday June 17 - 1852

This morning the storm has passed away and it is dead calm and oppressively hot. We were considerably frightened last night in the storm I was cooped up under the boat did not know but some of the waves would be carried away and come down and crushed the boat and all under it. Here I was the wind blowing a gale raining in torment almost froze. O how I then thought of the good bed at home I miss the loved ones more in such a time as that we turn our eyes towards them that we have left behind and commit them to the care to God who is abundantly able to take care of them. Afternoon calm at night about sunset the wind arose some and we had some heavy showers.
Friday June 18 1852

Morning fine and dead calm. don't feel well this morning got cold sleeping under the boat but can't make up my mind to sleep down in the stinking cabin. Noon in latitude 7 degrees 10 miles north the wind has sprung up going about 30 or 40 knots of breeze freshened to about 40 or 50 knots of breeze plenty of flying fish scoured out by the ships quite a brilliant rainbow in the east there for nearly one hour am some in hopes our calm are over for the present the captain ordered some of the passengers to get off some sails they were sitting on so he would throw the bucket of water on them Mr Brown one of the passengers from York state said if he threw it on him he would throw it stick of wood at his head which made him quite mad.
Saturday June 19 - 1852

Day showery and typically wind very slight.

To-night for supper we had no sugar for tea; the sugar that was allowed ended out to.

Sunday June 20, 1852

Morning fine going on course the wind very light with frequent squalls of wind and rain they almost invariably kill the wind and leave us in a dead calm.

If I could only get out of this scrape I think I never should be caught again. 100 days out to-day and here we are threshing round in this calm with not enough to eat such as it is to day no sugar to our coffee or tea.
Monday June 21 - 1852

Morning fine wind slight- I washed out my clothes this morning after a fashion I suppose the women would laugh to see us at it but we do it good deal better than we have before for we have water enough. 10 o'clock another squall of rain which has killed the wind what little we had and here we are drooling about again in dead calm. I took some pills tonight to see if I could not feel better I feel miserable got a bad cold having to sleep on deck under the boat and our food is of the worst quality except the Pilot bread and the sugar and it is all prepared in a very bad and disgusting manner.

yesterday we caught two birds on the yard and one large one on the
Tuesday June 22 - 1852

Morning rainy with very light wind. Cleared away in the forenoon and the wind shifted so we stood west, or by point of our course on the other tack. Finished drying my clothes and darned my stockings and mended my flannel shirt. Begin to think there is some prospect of getting there now. We have wind after throwing about here in calms for about it week or night about 10 o'clock it began to blow quite hard and for two hours it blew a gale but it soon blew out with out doing any damage.
Wednesday June 23, 1852

Calm again nothing but calms and squalls last night while the wind blew I was quite cold I wrapped myself in my blanket but could not keep warm I got a severe cold by sleeping under the boat but I cant stand it in the cabin in the stench and filth. I shaved off my whiskers this morning to see if it would not help my neck and throat which is sore. We had a very hard clap of thunder this afternoon the first I have heard since we have been out. The wind has been nearly dead ahead but about 1 o'clock we had a heavy shower of rain and the wind shifted round.
Thursday June 24th - 1852

We had about the same kind of weather through the day that we have had for a week or so days back. Squalls and calms, the latter part of the day the wind came out aft and blew quite steady but not over three or four knots an hour. This morning early we had to fight between two of the sailors. I was standing looking over the side of the ship when the captain came rushing forward full run. I went forward to see what the trouble was and the captain was parting one of the men named Moore and Spaniard. The had some words in the first place about the rigging which came to blows but it was stopped when the captain got there. He threatened to put them in irons but he said he had
Friday morning June 25 - 1856

Morning fine but the wind is light and directly aft it looks more like pleasant weather again I am in hopes we have got through the worst of these calms at noon in Latitude 16° 40' north the thermometer standing at 93° in the shade this afternoon Joseph caught 3 small fish we had A fry out of them which went well the calm continued all day we had A heavy shower this evening with thunder and lightning this evening A large bird 50 feet from tip to tip of wings flew on board ship and was caught I believe it is called A Baby there was two caught on board the other night sitting on the spar
Saturday June 26-1854

Morning fine the wind has come out north east and looks very much like the trades but time will show.

at noon in Latitude 15 degrees S 17 miles north about 8 or 9 and breeze during the forenoon steering north west by west our sugar is out again and we have none for coffee or tea
Sunday June 29-1852
Morning fine with a good stiff breeze about 2 point to the westward of our course at noon in latitude 37 degrees 19 miles north we had a miserable dinner to day the hard bread was good the salt beef was very poor and as salt as brine and mush half cooked was all we had and our only hope is our supper the only time that we get any thing fit to eat is twice a week when we get soft bread but we are on allowance of two bakes each man and we can get no more if we want them to day we had no sugar either for tea or coffee our pickles we have given up entirely for we get none now
Monday June 28, 1857

Morning fine with good wind going about 2 points of our course at noon in Latitude 19 degrees 6 miles. I feel nearly sick to day I dont seem to get over my cold my throat is quite sore

Tuesday June 29, 1857

morning fine with about 4 or 6 knot breeze wind blowing from the north sailing west by north 42 south I feel almost wore out with the living and all together I am most starved, for dinner we had boiled rice with a few raisins in it but I could not get so much as I wanted
Wednesday 30th June 1852
Morning cloudy and very cold it is quite cold sleeping under the boat but the bed bugs and smell keep me out from the cabin the wind is very baffling sometimes heading west northwest sometimes up very near north

Thursday July 1st 1852
Morning fine with good breeze the going about for ten knot sailing North North west

Friday July 2nd 1852
Morning fine with a good breeze going from 8 to 10 knot our steward says he lost 70 dollars taken from is pantry the captain ordered cable off the quarter deck
Saturday July 3—1857

Morning cloudy but no rain we have a good breez but can't lay our course we are sailing about Northwest the Captain had the longest flog tell to day for the fourth but I suppose we shall get none of it

Sunday July 4—1857

Morning cloudy the wind does not seem likely to favor us much it is driving it good deal to far to the west but it is the best we can do in the case this is the worst fourth of July I ever spent I how I should like to be with you instead of penned up here with nothing to eat the Captain could not spare the 2 of cabin passengers any of the fresh Beef but we had salt Junk & hard bread and half boiled mush
Monday July 5 - 1852

This morning we had a salute to celebrate independence; we all felt disappointed to think we are not in to day but we must do the best we can with ship fare. The wind is out ahead and the prospect is we shall be in for a week at least.

Some of the first cabin passengers got some liquor from the Captain and got pretty drunk. They tore one another's shirts and clothes off and acted like fools. The women had to go below for they did not have clothes enough on to cover their nakedness.

In the evening the 2nd cabin passengers formed a procession and promenaded the deck with all sorts of musical instruments such as flour barrels for a drum and tin pans, shut boxes, fiddle-bongs &c. all going at one and such a babel of noises.
I never heard they went forward first and gave three cheers for the crew and three groans for Captain Bunker, they then marched round the deck twice and then stood on the quarter deck and near it and gave three groans for the Captain they gave three cheers for Captain Bunker one of the Passengers and three for Mr. Morrison the 3rd mate, they fired a salute of all the Pistols and guns they could muster and take it all round it passed of as well as we could expect it here but I should like very much to have been at home to have spent the day with you my dear Wife and Children
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Boat Maker     Milford    Mass
Ship Carpenter  Somerset
Laborer

Oysterman

no occupation

House Carpenter Fall River

Stone Mason    Morristown    Pen
Laborer       Clayton       Mich
House Carpenter Providence    RI

Mason
Machinist     Hillsboro
Fireman       Guilford
Tanner        Williamsville

Tinman
Tanner

House Carpenter Harrington    Conn
Brazier

Physician    N. & H. Hector    NY
Room | Name                      | Age
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No 23 | Abram B. Carly | 25  
      | Isaac Small  | 28  
      | George W. Frost | 20  
No 24 | Charles Reed   | 21  
      | Samuel Moffatt   | 22  
      | Israel Hasting  | 31  
      | Anson Williams   | 23  
      | John Cleland   | 27  
      | James H. Sayre  | 31  
      | Ichiel Sleek    | 21  
      | Godfrey Constable | 22  
      | Samuel Hainbert  | 20  
      | Charles Greenman | 24  
      | Shaver P. Doane | 23  
      | Alvan Stoddard  | 22  
      | Edmund Buckley  | 27  
      | Conrad H. Hilton | 33  
      | Joseph Clarke   | 41  
      | John Clarke     | 35  
Occupations Hailing from
Farmer Havana
Lumberman Guilford
Book Keeper Westburgh

Cooper Auburn
Cabinet Maker New York
Printer "
Boot Maker Barre
Drover Newburgh

Farmer "
House Carpenter Johnstown Penn
Farmer "
Clerk Brooklyn NY

Machinist & Brookfield Mass
Shoemaker "
Bricklayer New York

Tobacconist Troy
Laborer Providence RI

House Carpenter "
Room No. 5

Name                   Age

Peter Richter       30
Theodore Gall        26
Thomas Schulte       36
Godfried Kirschenmund 32
Charles Darling      37
William M. Stevens   25
Edward O'Hara        28
James Barnett        30
David J. Brown       26
Dexter M. Brown      23
Nathan J. Bolton     22
Andrew J. Dickerson  22
Heinrich Krooss      20
Nicholas Bernhard    25
Thomas Walsh         23
Henry Hummel         18
Occupation: Tailor from cabinet maker, Newark

Seaman
Silkweaver
Trapper, New York
Clerk, Norfolk
Laborer, Calais

Bootmaker, Milford
Farmer, Lyman

Grocer, clerk, New York
Cabinet maker
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Tuesday July 6 - 1852

This morning tacked ship at 4 o'clock. She stood about northeast by east but the wind headed her off and tacked ship again at 9 o'clock. Tacked ship again at 12 o'clock noon. She went about east by north. Her course is northeast by east.

Wednesday July 7 - 1852
The weather stormy wind quite strong and dead ahead.

Thursday July 8 - 1852
The weather stormy and the wind dead ahead. The Captain locked up the Stewardess because she would not do the washing for the cabin. She said she was not able to say she shall wash them at this on bread and water.
Friday the 9th 1852

The weather stormy wind ahead saw two vessels beating on the opposite tack one at Brig and the other at large. Ship supposed to be going to San Francisco.

Saturday July 10th 1852

The weather much the same cloudy with hard wind and quite cold. I have got quite a bad cold and my eye is very sore and troublesome.

Sunday July 11th 1852

The weather still continues cold and cloudy with wind almost ahead. My eye is some better. I am washing it in cold water several times a day.
Monday July 12 - 1852

The weather cloudy and cold the ship heading about 'east by north by compass about one and 30' half points variation to the east so we are actually going east by south half south my eye is better but my cold is still bad and it is not likely to get better on board with such accommodations as we have here.

Tuesday July 13 S. H. at 12.52

Fair wind running in on soundings

Monday This day July 14

We got in sight of land just at night but we could not get a Pilot and had to stand out again all night with a gale of wind blowing
Thursday morning 15

Made land again this morning and took a pilot about 2 o'clock saw in and anchored about 10 after the 11. Took a boat to come on shore to see where to leave my things. Left Joseph on board the waterman charged one dollar a piece to land us.

July 31 sent letter home
August 1st sent letter home
2nd letter home by the California

September 1st
Sep 16 sent letter by Golden Gate Steamer

Oct 16 by the Oregon No 6
July 19 began work this morning about half past nine at seven dollars per day made 6 days and one quarter and received 43 dollars and 75 cents. Paid 10 dollars for Board. July Balance Left $33.75

Monday 26 worked three and a half days at 7 dollars per day and two day at 6 dollars per day. Saturday 31 received cash $36.50. Paid for Board 10 dollars $10.00. Balance $26.50

August 2 worked three days for Mr. Macready at 6 dollars and one day at 1/2 on the steamer Winfield Scott for Mr. Eustis at 7 dollars per day. Sat 7 received $27.00. Paid Board 10 dollars Balance $14.00
August 9, 1852

at work on Steamer Winfield Scott for Mr. Elliot at 7 dollars

Sat 14 Received

Paid for Board

Washing

Balance

1832.50

10.00

1.50

41.00

Monday 16 at work on the Winfield Scott at 7 dollars per day worked 6 days

Sat 21 Received

Paid for Board

Balance

42.00

10.00

32.00

Monday 23 work on the Winfield Scott four and a half days

Sat 25 one day for Mr. Roper

Sat 28 received for Scott 31.50

Paid Board

Balance

307.00

21.50

287.00

Cash on hand in Gold

Silver Change

557
1832

August 30 Work six days for Mr. Stoker at 7 dollars a day and received to balance account 44.00
Paid for Board and washing 10.75
Balance left 33.25

Sep 11. Rec'd of Mr. Stoker to balance account for six days work at seven dollars per day $42.00
Paid for Board 10.00
Balance left 32.00

Sep 18. Rec'd of Mr. Stoker to balance account for six days work at seven dollars per day $42.00
Paid for board 10.00
for washing 75.00
Balance left 31.25

Sep 13 Deposited with Mr. Adams $750.00 Certificate No. 6441 80.00
Sep 24. Worked five days for Mr. Stoken at $7 dollars and received to balance acct $35 00
Paid for Board $10 00
Balance $25 00
Paid for passage to San Jose in Steem, four dollars $4 00
one night lodging and breakfast $1 00
Board in San Jose $5 25
passage in Steamer down to San Francisco $8 00
dinner on board $1 50
Total $19 75

Oct 2. Work for Mr. Main, one and three quarters days
work at $7 dollars per day $12 25
Rec on acct $10 30
B
Oct 10 worked for Mrs. Truett & Truett
6 days at seven dollars
Cash rec 42.00
Paid Board & washing 11.50
Balance 30.50

Oct 16 Truett & Truett
one day 7.00
Mr. Curry
3 days 21.00
28.00
1.06 18.00

Board
Balance
Saturday October 30 - 1852
Left San Francisco to Day at 7 2 clock made Monterey
About 12 o'clock same night exchanged mails and proceeded on
Monday 1st November
5 o'clock P.M. made San Diego exchanged mails and left
Before Dark there was an English ship of war laying
in there.
Thursday 2nd. Passed the Steamer Winfield Scott
on her upward Passage
Night of the 5th Passed the Steamer Tenessee.
Nov 7 made Scarpulas at 12 o'clock
at night. Steamer Pacific
lay there getting in coal. Pacific
left for San Francisco at 12 o'clock.
Cash Paid for Tools
Panel Saw 13.3. Hatchet 5.2 1.83
Hammer 7.9. Compasses 21 1.00
Saw 1 1/2. Steel Square 1 1/10 2.52
Pliers 2 1/2. 9 files 6 9 9.24
4 qts of Angus at 14 1.96
2 1/4 4.0
1 screw and 9d 3 handle 21 3.3
1 chisel 1/2 - 1. 1.42
1 mallet 21 - 1/2 Dr. Gentle 2.40
Providence  December 20  1857
Mrs. Marian  English
To John Clarke  Dr.
To Stock & Labor Rep. Through
2  Drink
Sanson St 71

John W. Baker Hubbard

Centreville Grass Valley

Nevada E.

Laws Wharf

Montgomery St

Broadway