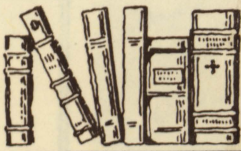


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on Board the ship gave
Dropped out in the ^{Manitow}
Stream March
the 10. 1852

Thursday 11 Lying at
Anchor in east River

Friday ¹² Sailed from
Towed down to Sandy
hook Passed the ship
Caroline Read
outside Sandy hook
one of our Passengers heart failed
him and he went Back
in the Steamer & forfeited
his Passage money
saw a whale just
outside the hook
run of at the rate
of 10 miles the hour
I was taken Sick
this afternoon

Saturday

13 Running of at the rate
of 8 miles weather
squally

Sunday ¹⁴ Foggy All Day
calm in forenoon Afternoon
running 5 miles Perhaps
quite sick to Day some
home sick thought I
should like to stop in
and see the folks Passed
1 vessel - see one far astern
Lacked ship in night.

Monday ¹⁵ Raining going at the rate
of 9 knot don't seem to get over
my sea sickness my eye is sore
so I can't read got the blues
the worst kind. Afternoon
weather fine About 10 knot
on south edge of the Gulf.

Tuesday Fair weather saw a ship
 on the weather Bow standing west
 at 12 o'clock had run the East
 23 hours 242 miles, running
 about 11 miles per hour
 with wind fair. got a little
 better of my sickness. should
 like to have some of your biscuit
 cant eat the salt Bunk afternoon
 saw a vessel standing to east
 Wednesday 17

Weather fine wind fair
 going about 6 or 8 miles
 afternoon running at the rate
 of 10 1/2 miles wind fair
 I am in it for three
 months at the least hard
 living my eyes sore I cant
 read I feel that it is a dear
 lesson but I shall have to
 bear it. I would give some to be
 home

Thursday 18

Wind fair running at
the rate of 8 miles
get a little more reconciled
but have plenty time to think
of home Wife & children &
friends plenty of time for
reflection. think & think
have nothing else to do cant
read on account of my eye
being sore made out to share
for the first time since we
come out. I try to feel content^{ed}
and to think that when I get
there the excitement and work
will wear away the time but
it is no use for I can not forget
home & my friends they hold the
first place in my thoughts.
~~we~~ ~~over~~ we made a call
for a meeting To draw up
a paper to present to the

Captain in regard
to our fund

Friday 19 Morning fine
going at rate of 8 miles
wind fair. Afternoon
going at the rate of 10 miles
saw 2 brig heading North
east by east. had rice for
dinner today 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 ~~car~~ wind fair
going about 10 miles hour
carried away our studding
sail Boom rigged out another
all right. come up with a Bark
about 5 miles distant standing
the same way that we are
running right away from her
had hard bread & fat Pork for
breakfast cant go it yet made
an appointment with a cabin
passenger a Brother Mr Moore
of Providence. Afternoon
the Bark is out of sight
^{we} making 10 miles hour

Sunday 21

Weather fine wind light
going at the rate of 5 miles, how
it is dreadful lonesome I should
like to be home to go to meeting
with you. our living is very
Bad I can't go it as yet.

Afternoon fine rate of 5 or 6
miles the Sunday is
nearly gone as lonesome as
Sunday as I ever saw
the men that go to California
get hard times and harder
fare

Monday 22

Morning showery & a clock
weather fine with a good
breeze wind fair at rate
of 8 miles at night showery
wind fresh & fair 11 miles
the hour

Tuesday 23

Morning weather fine
going at rate of ~~10~~ 11
miles an hour. I feel
some better this morning
my eye is quite sore
but I think some better
evening ^{one of} the Pumps gave out
the ship takes in lots 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 fix this evening 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 25 1852
Morning fine & calm
going 1 or 2 miles & 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
Tropicks. I understand
the cabin boy hurt his
head coming out of the cabin
the other day

Friday March 26, 1832

Morning dead calm saw
a bark standing to westward
show our private signal
and she hoisted English
colours. Afternoon calm
A ship cross our bow going
east. ~~now~~ I feel as though
those who go to California
earn all they get in the
privations 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 cant eat
it so I make out with
what I can get. I should
like some of your trickeade

Saturday March 27, 1852

Morning fine dead calm
Dead sick of this if I was
on shore now I should
let California go to gran

Afternoon slight breeze
about 4 miles an hour
the second Mate was
out on deck for the first
time since his attack
of the rheumatism. He looks
very sick our first cabin
boy I think will get
better. we are about in
the Latitude of the Cape
Verde Islands and wishing
for a good stiff breeze

Sunday March 28 1852

Morning fine running
at the rate of 2 miles
an hour. I feel very lonesome
I should like to be home to go
to meeting with you, we dont
know anything about our
privileges till we are deprived of
them. I made out to read
some in the Bible to day
my eye is quite sore yet
so I cant try it to much.
one of our passengers is dreadful
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 ^{Wife} 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 cant keep my mind
from them and it makes me feel
bad. Afternoon wind very
light saw A Brig standing
to westward the Captain
Signald her and she shew
English ~~coat~~ colours the
men aboard begin to complain
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 Bark running before
the wind. my eye is sore I can't
read nor write much. we spoke
the ship Ionian from Calcutta
bound to London. saw a
nother 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 Bark but
found she was not bound
to the United States so I
sent it to Davy Jones Sack.

Wednesday March 31 - 1852

Morning fine wind light
about 6 miles an hour off the
Flanks of Cape Verde. set
up nearly all night it was
so extremely hot down in the
cabin. our sick patients 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 wont
be reconciled to his situation
but keeps 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 mile wind fair. Mr. Sayers
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 ~~Paul~~
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 rule layed
down in New York for him

Friday April 2 1852

Morning fine wind fair
going at the rate of 8 miles an
hour saw a large bark
standing towards Europe
she signaled in shore
German colours.

The Afternoon going at rate
of 10 miles carried studding
sail yard & we was about
12 Degrees. 35 miles north
of the line at 12 o'clock
I feel as though I should
like to step in to see my
Dear Wife & Children
it is very hard to be deprived
of their Society so long I never
realised there 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 are 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 wont let us have enough sugar for our coffee.

Sunday April 4, 1852

Morning five going 7 miles an hour the thermometer stand 89 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 Credo 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 H. Sayre is most crazy he worry himself so much about home we fear he will do some rash act with himself.

Monday April 3. 1852

Morning fine running from
9 to 10 Miles Latitude 24 degrees
28 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 at short
passage. our homesick
man Mr J H Sayre is
quite brassy about the
spectral and about his
home

Tuesday April 6 1852

Morning fine going 8 miles
an hour - at noon shower
almost calm 60 miles north
of the line. I overhauled my
trunk to find my thread
& needles & to see if my clothes
were damp 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 stowed
away in this warm place
with nothing ^{fit} to eat and
amidst all this confusion
I don't hardly know to
contain myself I don't
wonder that Mr. Saynes
is crazy I am almost
Myself

Wednesday April 7. 1852

Morning rainy almost
A dead calm it was so
warm last night I could
not sleep and walk the
deck most 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 showery with
balm with squalls of wind
& rain very warm one
degree 55 miles south of the
line we had a meeting of
the second cabin passengers
last night to take into
consideration some means to better
our fare we appointed a ^{committee} ~~committee~~
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 dont care how much
we suffer

Friday April 9. 1852

Morning squally from on fine
wind light almost calm

Afternoon going at the rate of
8 miles an hour. Cabin boy
had 2 fits last night. They took
him while walking on deck

Saturday April 10 1852

Morning fine wind
light going 2 to 4 miles
through the day Passed
a ship in morning standing
to weatherward. saw ship
standing same course we were
we shew private signal and
she shew English then we
hoisted the American ensign and
she shew her Telegraph Signals
but we could not answer
she run down to us our Captain
hailed her and she would
not answer. passed at Bark
standing north. our living
to day was very bad at
dinner rice half cooked
supper much raw meat
to day the Captain ordered
the 2^d Cabin passengers
of the Quarter Deck.

Sunday April 11 1852.

Morning fine going about 5 or 6 miles an hour. the English Ship Sword fish the Captain tried to speak yesterday is about 3 or four miles to the leeward. Saw A Bark standing to Northward. had no meeting on board this morning we feel rather put out on account of been ordered of the quarter deck. I been reading some this morning in the Bible I made up my mind to day to commence it 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. Studied the dgerotype,

Monday April 12 1852

Morning fine with 8 knot
breeze in company with the
English ship sword fish
at noon Latitude 18. degrees
49 miles Longitude 30. 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 mile.
I took my clothes trunk
on deck this morning to
~~the~~ air them found them
in good order.

Tuesday April 13. 1852

Morning fine going at the rate of 8 miles. A Bark in sight about 8 miles to leeward running the same way as we are. A rather vessel in sight on the Lee Bow. it proved to be A Morpheadite Brig running to Northward. The Bark to Seward 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 12th 1852.

Morning fine almost calm
going about 2 miles an hour
& Ship in sight away
astern 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 her birthday and I should
like to drop in and see how
you are all getting along.
Afternoon 2 vessels in sight
Astern we had a meeting
at 1/2 Past 2. and read
pieces from the paper estab-
lished by the 2nd cabin
passengers and it was quite
amusing there was quite
a number of jokes wrote
on the 2nd cabin passengers
Latitude 10 degrees 53'

Thursday April 15 - 1852

Morning fine. Almost calm.
Afternoon squally with a
good deal of wind. our breeze
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 to day
that is flour and water mixed
and boiled with raw molasses
on it and not half enough of
that. Latitude 15 Degrees
53 minutes south.

Friday April 16 - 1852

Morning calm at ship
in sight to windward
Afternoon calm with rain squalls
saw flock of the stormy 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 or
starve

Saturday April 17 - 1852

Morning fine A Breeze sprung
up with the Sun calm all night
saw a Top sail Schooner standing
to the Northward. A Ship to
windward standing same way
as we are. Afternoon good
breeze running about 7 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
Antienters were rascals & cheats &c
and that Captain Burgen was the
same he had got our money
and did not care for our
comfort or convenience he does
care wether we starve or not it
would be all the same to him

Sunday April 18 1852

Morning with fine Breeze at the rate of 8 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 19 degrees 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 rotten & diseased potatoes our stuff was plain and as heavy as lead.

Monday April 19 - 1852

Morning fine going along
about 8 miles land in sight
distant about 40 or 50 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^d cabin passengers
of stealing them and took away
what small stores we had such
as cheese pepper peppersauce
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 a Whale
had quite a time this morning
the Captain come down with
his men to search our room
and trunks he over looked
mine he could not find them
they found one and about
half of another hid away on
deck but cant tell who took
them but we have got to suffer
he says that he shall lay
it to the 2^d cabin passengers
and make them suffer all like
the innocent for the guilty.
one of the passengers caught
a large Dolphin this morning
and had a chowder
I did not taste it

Wednesday April 21. 1852

Morning fine but calm
several ships in sight land
in sight to the north of Rio
Saw A. Brig standing in
towards Rio the 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 letter and
seal and direct it before
they had put off from the
ship. they Boarded the Brig
and then went on Board of
A Ship which we had come
up with she proved to be the
Catherine of Portland from New
York to Panama with a load of
coal out 16 days longer than
us. the Brig was the Elisa from
Newcastle with coal to ~~Panama~~

Thursday April 22 - 1852

Morning fine wind fair
going at the rate of 8 or 9 miles
noon latitude 25 - 32 south
spoke to the Captain on account
of the sugar he said he intended
to put us on Navy rations 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 sight
to starboard. 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 & a vessel in sight ahead. Had a fight between two sailors this morning a Spaniard & Englishman the Spaniard drew knife on the other but was separated without much mischief. Moon in Latitude 27-25 South 2 vessels in sight. quite rough to day quite a number of the passengers sick the weather is quite cool and fallish. to day the Sugar come out & about the Captain pretends to put us on allowance of 2 ounces per day but we don't get half of that. our supper to night is ~~and~~ corn meal mixed in water and baked tea without sugar biscuit & salt ^{Sund}

Saturday April 24 - 1852

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 don't feel a very well to
day I made it beginning to mend
my clothes to day I darned
my stockings for the first time
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 others ~~are~~ can
come if they want to but if
I get home again to embrace
my Wife and children I shall
be satisfied to stay to home.
We have plenty of wind to night
going about 10 miles. plenty of
birds flying about to the Seward

Sunday April 25 - 1852

Morning squally wind
fair going from 10 to 12 miles
an hour - to day I feel quite
sick I dont feel to relish any
of the victuals we get on board
I am afraid it will make
me quite sick for breakfast to
day our sugar felt much short.
our dinner was delayed till one
oclock we got no pickles to day
~~we~~ we have not for two or three
weeks past. I have been
thinking if the folks at home
are thinking of me this evening
out here of the river La Platte
under double reefed Topsails
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 to night
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 don't feel 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 a great many dangers and
encounters on the great deep
but God watches over us all.

Monday April 26 - 1852

Morning the Gale died away this morning about sunrise to steady breeze but out ahead. I have felt the worse to day of any day since I come out I have got a bad cold and am lame with the Rheumatism the living I get is not sufficient hardly to keep a man alive. the weather is quite cold and uncomfortable considering we have just come out of the Tropicks. I saw a Brig standing to Northward there is a good many birds of different kinds flying round the ship the passengers shot two similar to Gulls. the wind to night is beauld round fair but very light I feel some better to night I took some pain killer and think it helpt 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 rain water that Joseph caught on deck I thought I would do up my washing before I got down to cape Horn where it is cold you would laugh some to see me washing with about 2 or 3 quarts of water but that is better than attempting to wash in salt water. to day one of the passengers caught a sea Bird with a hook and line. I could not find out the name of it. it measured about 3ft 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

To get away to day one section
of 8 men took their allowance
of sugar what the best 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 treats us all
more like beast than human
beings. I sat on the rail of
the ship and look away ~~to~~
towards home and think of
the dear ones 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
10 o'clock the wind came out
ahead & three vessels in sight
I went down and finished a
letter I had begun but I had
no chance to send it one of
the ship was on the same
course as we were some 5 or 6
miles ahead we got up with her
about the middle of afternoon
and discovered she was the
Antelope of Boston 52 days
out a new clipper ship cheered
up our spirits to think we beat
her. we had a meeting in the
2^d cabin 2 1/2 o'clock there was
nothing done but the reading
of the Paper. our Captain
opened his heart to day and
let us have some pepper to
eat on our pork and Beans

Thurs day. April 29 - 1852

Morning fine standing about
1 Point off our course going
about 8 miles an hour saw a
large fin back whale close to
the ship. plenty of Birds flying
round that frequent the whaling
ground to day at noon in
Latitude 38. 40, ^{south} Longitude
425 - 10 west. this morning
the sun rose at 6 o'clock 20 min.

Thursday April 30 - 1852

Morning fine going from 8 to 12 miles an hour at noon in latitude 40. 27 longitude 58 - 13. At 2 o'clock going about 12 miles an hour sharp on the wind took in royals and reefed topsails. This morning sent down spy sail yards. 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 to day some of them got wet coats there is several sea sick to day.

Wednesday May 1 - 1852

In morning going at the rate of 12 and 14 miles an hour noon in Latitude 43 - 18.

Blowing a Gale of wind took in royal & double reefed Topsails. The sea runs higher and is rougher than any time since we came out. To day we had to fare 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 mush &c. To give us as a substitute for the same.

Sunday 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 has to suffer some
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 a 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 9 - 1852

Morning the gale is abated
some but there is a very heavy
sea running the wind has howled
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.
to day for dinner we had
rice in stead of Beans as the
bill of fare specifies the rice
was so smoky that it was
barely eatable but we had
nothing else but salt junk
~~meat~~ and that was so salt
that I cant 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 saucy answers
and the captain upholds him in it

Thursday May 2. 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 and 8 o'clock. we had a
miserable breakfast this morning
the beef was nearly raw and the
Stewart neglected to get our butter
this morning and when we spoke
about the Stewart 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 the call them Cape
pigeons. there is a great many
flying round the ship some
Large Albatross and numerous
~~small~~ small birds very handsome

Wednesday May 5 - 1852

this morning about 3 o'clock
they discovered land we was
standing right in towards it
they put the ship ~~shazy~~ on
the wind and stood out till
morning when we run of again
before ~~the~~ wind and as soon
~~on~~ as ^{the} fog cleared away
we discovered land about
4 miles on our starboard
side it was very barren black
looking rocks showing their
heads all along the coast
the Mountains appear to be
covered with snow there is
plenty of wild fowl flying round
the ship ducks and other birds
some of the Passengers shot about a dozen
but only two fell on board the ship
they are ~~a~~ 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 ship did
not have steerage way on her
the sea has a 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 any thing that
put me in mind of the dear friends
and there is very little time in the day
but I think of them a little know
our very dear my Wife & children
are to me till I was deprived of their
society. The delights of home the dear
none other may delight in other
things and forget it but I shall
never no never forget the thou
dearest of all the earth beside

May 6 - 1905

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 ~~Is.~~ Islands to day.

I sold one pair of the short socks
for 50 cents. the thermometer stands
to night at 10 o'clock at 32 degrees.
the sailors have a hard time
setting up the main rigging
this cold weather.

to night for supper we had wheat
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 fast on deck and we have frequent snow & hail squalls the passengers generally keep below and card playing checkers & 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 butter that was allowanced 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 it comes in to the 2^d cabin so we have to rubber the want off the things

Saturday May 8 - 1859

Morning very cold with about 5 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 accused him of selling things to the passengers that he purloined out of their allowance there was only one of them named Babley that came forward and said he bought two biscuits for twentyfive 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 bad a

Sunday May 9 - 1852

Morning fine wind light
land in sight on our weather
Bow it is an Island called
Staten Land it appears to be
very high rocky land covered
with snow it is about 60 miles
north & east of Cape Horn
about noon we saw two Whales
close to the ship they were
playing round the ship
they fired at them but did
not effect them much.

Afternoon the land to wind
ward quarter is ~~not~~ ~~in~~ sight
to the westward.

our Breakfast for supper was
miserable stuff heavy and dried
all up.

Monday May 10 - 1852

Morning fine head wind but very light about 80 miles east of Cape Horn & there is quite an excitement this morning in regard to our sugar & Butter. Mr Cook came down into the ^{2d} cabin to get us to consent to take them for the week but we of No 2 would not agree to it he went of but after a while sent our butter and sugar and 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 and Pork. the steward brought us our pickles that we should have had yesterday. I got half a small pickle and the rest got about the same quantity

I ask the Stewart 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 &c rattled about
to a great rate. it was rather
hard work to lay in the berth.

O Cape 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 too much of a hurry now
but I suppose we shall have
to wait for wind and tide

Tuesday May 11 - 1852

Morning the wind blew very hard ~~then~~
~~was~~ but not fair. we tacked ship
about 12 o'clock in night to stand
down to Cape Horn but don't
expect to weather it. we have one
man in the 2^d cabin that is
quite crazy an homesick.

This Afternoon at 4 o'clock we
made Cape Horn on our
Weather Bow. we tacked Ship
and stood out to enable us
to weather it. we saw a
Ship this Afternoon standing
towards Cape Horn.

Wednesday May 12-1852

Morning fine the wind very light
about a 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 stand in the state room this
morning and look through the
window to see the birds fly
round the ship hundreds
of Cape Pigeons a very pretty
bird about as big as a pigeon
and gulls or Albatross of
immense size watching for the
the scraps & shush thrown over
from the ship & we begin
to be troubled with bed bugs
one fell this morning on my face
as I laid in my berth I got
up and got a light and began
to search and found quite a
lot of them.

Thursday May 13 - 1850

Showing fine head wind
and light we tacked ship
about 12 o'clock to stand out
from land. Tacked ship
again at 8 o'clock in morning
to stand in to land. we made
land about 12 o'clock. A Bark
in sight to the windward Passed
us Astern standing North the
land shows quite plain on the
Lee Bow very high and covered
with snow. we run in close
to land as close as practicable
and then tacked ship and
stood south. 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~~ 60 south where we had
ought to 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 as
much as we can do to hold
our own and I begin 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 ~~but~~ the confusion
card playing swearing and
quarreling is almost beyond endurance

Tuesday May 14 - 1852

This morning at 4 o'clock we took in Royals and reefed Top sails the wind still continues to head us off I got up this morning at half past 4 o'clock I got so tired of laying in the berth the days are so very short and the nights so long the sun rises about 8 o'clock and sets at 4. we made land about 12 o'clock at noon. it proved the Island of Saint Diego we Tacked Ship at 4 o'clock ^{on Saint James} in the afternoon to stand off from land the wind blowing very hard the Ship from some cause as 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 a great noise

Thursday May 15-1852

Saturday

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 a little better this morning to think we are going towards our destination. the thermometer was standing as low as 26 or 6 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 don't expect to see land again for some time

Sunday May 16 - 1852

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 to day to home to go to meeting with you. I am sick of this noise and confusion it is very distracting. You cant read or sleep.

Monday May 17 - 1852

this morning is cloudy
and the wind very light but
fair. I got nothing for breakfast
this morning they fried some
mush for breakfast but there
was not enough for all so I
had to go without Bask the
Stewart but he said there
was none for me. there
was some excitement to day
in serving out our Allowance
of butter & sugar ~~with~~ Mr Spear
and his Chum weighed their
butter and it 8 ounces instead
of 12 ounces that being the
quantity Allowed by Cap Burger
he carried back to the Captain
but he would not correct it
if he did he said others
would come too so he brought
it back again

May 17

Sight of the men in ~~room~~
one of the rooms took their
butter together they weighed it
and found it 8 ounces short.
Mr. Spear sent his butter back
to the Captain by the Stewart
but the Captain would not let
him leave it but made him
carry it back into the 2^d cabin
we of room ~~No~~ 4 would not
take ours but are determined
to have it put on the table for
us. I feel some in hope that the
passage will be short has 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.

Thursday May 18 - 1852

Morning fine the weather considerable warmer the wind directly aft going about 6 or 8 knots

I got up this morning and had a search for bedbugs 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 S 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

Thursday - - 18

there was a keg or cask of
mackerel belonging to the 2^d cabin
and so marked took in the first
galley for the first cabin. the
cook of the 2^d cabin says that
Captain Birgers 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 any thing the passengers
only by the false representations
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 fire.
the Captain at one time told the
steward he must shake up the
butter and make it look large

Wens day May 19 - 1852

Morning fine the wind has
hauld round going sharp on the
wind sailing N. W. some of the
passengers were up and writing
others were dressing about 6 o'clock
the Captain came to the company
Wary and ordered the lights put
out he then sent one of the Boys
down put them out

the ~~wind~~ sun rose this morning
clear at half past 8 o'clock
the wind has been light all
day and fair. the Captain
went forward and told the cooks
that if there was any victuals
left from the first cabin that
was not fit for them to eat
he would give it to the 2^d
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. The Captain came to the companion way and ordered the Steward to put the lights 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 cooks give up all the money that the passengers had upon them. He has also ordered that none of the passengers be allowed to go in to the galley on any pretence.

Swickley May 21-1852

This morning it blow 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 lit them again the Captain then sent one of the Sailors 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 bents till daylight 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 run 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 2^d
cabin dishes breaking chests
&c breaking away ~~and~~ and
all sorts of confusion

Saturday May 22 - 1852

Morning the wind has
hauled a little on our quarter
but blows about as hard with
snow squalls. I heard a very
heavy sea come on deck in
the night as I lay in my
benths but I think it done
no damage. afternoon the wind
continues fair going about from 10 to
14 miles an hour. to night at about
dark we had a hard squall it
carried away a studding sail boom
the end of the boom with the blocks
and straps was lost the Captain
was waving 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 eat it
for breakfast it was the best breakfast
I have eat since I have been on board.
we had no pickles for dinner to day
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 & Athiests
arguing their different doctrines I try
to keep my mind on home and
~~God~~ God & religion as much as possible

Monday May 24 - 1852

Morning fine wind fair going about
10 miles an hour. I don't feel well
this morning. this is my birthday
35 years old to day. 12 thousand miles
from all I love most on earth I how
I wish that I could see the loved
ones my mind is always with them
I cannot be calm while away
from I feel the keenest my
faults at this time of the unkind
words 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 a
large finback whale 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
asleep 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 bitters for the first time
I had the head ache and did
not feel well. I hear 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 winds. 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 fine with 8 or 10 knot
breeze steering north or 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 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 2 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 2^d Mate discovered it he then parted them and sent the cook aft they both got well bruised the Captain came forward and talked 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. ~~He~~ I understand there is some trouble with the foretop 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 right dead ahead.

the first table had dandypunk 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 2^d reef in the topsails when the wind veered suddenly round about 5 point and put the Ship allaback 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 folks to have to think I should see them ^{no more}

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 Lark 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 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 Lark and corn bread ~~not~~ 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 cravings of hunger but it was no use 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 winds which we have been
looking for nearly a week past. I am in
hopes has come at last. I don't feel well
to day got a bad cold with sore throat
bones ache and feel homesick

Wednesday June the 2 - 1852

Morning fine wind light about 3 or 4
knot breeze afternoon the wind died away
but about 3 o'clock the wind hauled so that
we had to stand sharp on wind that
has done away our trade winds 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
2^d Cabin passengers they have had to
bear all that has been done.

To day at noon we were in latitude
23-29 south or we have arrived in the
Tropick the weather is fine and just
warm enough to be comfortable
evening dead calm

Thursday June 3 - 1852

Morning fine no wind about 2 o'clock
a breeze sprung up standing North by west,
on 2 points off our course. soon the wind
headed us off standing north about 2 o'clock
breeze. Attenoon A Brig in sight standing
south about 15 miles distant.

I feel more and more every day the
emptiness of things and men A 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
tounge 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 cant recover. at noon almost calm

about 3 o'clock the wind freshened to a 10 knot breeze running before it had a squall of rain. 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 Ships 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 too with
Topsails aback the body was placed on
a plank it was covered 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 - 1852

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 heaviness of the loved ones at home what would I not give to enable me to clasp 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 a 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 or sugar

Monday June 7-1852

I got up at 4 o'clock in morning
the room we sleep in 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 or 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 8 to 11 knot breeze noon in latitude 7 degrees 50 south with a good breeze. took three of Wrights vegetable pills and turned in.

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 Southeast and I feel in hopes they will carry us across the line. I have not quite got over my cold took two more pills ~~last~~ to night.

Thursday June 10 - 1852

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
2 degrees 26 mile south the wind
from 3 to 6 knot breeze

Friday June 11 - 1852

Morning fine wind fair but light
about 5 or 6 knot breeze. I begin
to suffer serious inconvenience from
being on board the living 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~~ wife and
children ~~and~~ I have left the
dearest I have on earth for
paltry Gold

Saturday June 12 - 1852

Morning fine the wind light
about 5 or 6 knot breeze.

To day at noon in Latitude 29 miles
south of the line. I bought some
Turkey Telly 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 here
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 blows
about 6 knot breeze. there was quite
an excitement this morning owing to
some one writing some papers and pasting
them up in the ship in some prominent
place casting a shir on Cap. Bergees
and Mr. Moore they ^{said} that the two
kept a retail and curtail store of
Pickles and confectionary. ~~and~~

The bilge water is begining 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 them-
selves on deck. we had no Pickles.

To day we neither butter or sugar
either for Breakfast or supper. we had
bread for supper each passengers had
two apiece of small cakes and not allowed
any more though there was several
that wanted more and could not
get it. night going about 7 or 8 knots.

Monday June 14 - 1852

Morning fine and warm wind fair going about 6 or 8 knots. He went in the storeroom this morning and found some cakes of soft bread that the steward had cheated us out of last night at supper time helped myself to 5 cakes of it and some of the others went and did likewise.

Tuesday June 15 - 1852

Morning fine wind light to day. As I left the cabin state room I found a berth under the boat on the cooks galley carried my mattress and blankets up and made up 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 forms. This afternoon we had several rain squalls it settled down into a steady rain so we had to turn in for the night.

Thursday June 16 - 1852

morning fine our rain of last night
killed the wind entirely and it is dead
calm I turned out this morning quite
sore from being lambled in my new
berth but I found that it good deal
better than sleeping in the cabin
in the foul air that is there tickled
to breathe. The Captain caught a
Shark this morning it was swimming
about in the wake of the ship with
several pilot fish round him.
he took the hook almost the
instant it touched the water they
hailed him along side and speed
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 snapt 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 sundry evidence that we were going to have a squall it grew very black all around the ~~horizon~~ 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 way 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 safer 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 spars would be carried away and come down and crush the boat and all under it. There I was the wind blowing at gale raining in torrent almost froze. O how I then thought of the good bed at home. I never the loved ones move 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 rose 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 cant
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 3 or 4 knots.
As the breeze freshened to about 4 or 5 knots
breeze. plenty of flying fish scared out by
the ship. quite a brilliant rain bow in the
east there for nearly one hour am some
in hopes our calms are over for the present
the Captain ordered some of the passengers
to get off some sails they were sitting on
or 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
a stick of wood at his head which
made him quite mad.

Saturday June 19 - 1852

Day showery and squally
wind very light
To night for supper we had no
sugar for tea the sugar that
was allowanced out to

Sunday June 20 1852

Morning fine going our 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
O 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 thrashing 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 light
I washed out my clothes this
morning after its fashion I suppose
the women would laugh to see
us at it but we do its 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 ~~stopping~~
about again in dead calm.

I took some pills to night 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 ^{birds} ~~one~~ ^{on} ~~the~~
on the yard and one large on on the

Thursday 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 thrashing about here in calms for about a week. to 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

Heard 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
heard ~~since we been out~~ the wind
has been nearly dead A head but
about 4 o'clock we had a heavy
shower of rain and the wind
shifted round

Thursday June 24 - 1852.

we had about the same kind of weather through the day that we have had for a week or 10 days back squalls and calms. the latter part of the day the wind come out aft and blew quite steady but not over three or four knots an hour. this morning early we had a 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 A Spaniard the had some words in the first place about the rigging which came to blows but it was stopt when the Captain got there he threatened to put ^{as large} ~~per there as~~ Moore in irons but he said he had

Friday morning June 25 - 1852

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 12, 46 north
the thermometer standing at 93 and 94
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 5 or 6
feet from tip to tip of wing flew
on board ship and was caught
I believe it is called a Booby
there was two caught on board
the other night sitting on the
spars

Saturday June 26-1852

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
47 miles north about 8 or 9 knots
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 points to the westward of our course at noon in Latitude 17 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 - 1859

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, 1859

morning fine with about 7 or 8 knot breeze wind blowing from the north veering west by north $\frac{1}{2}$ north I feel almost wore out with the living and all together I am most starved, for dinner we had boiled rice with a few saisons in it but I could not get so much as I wanted

Wednesday 30 - 1852

June

Morning cloudy and very cool it is quite cold sleeping under the boat but the bed bugs and smell keeps me out from the cabin the wind is very baffling sometime heading west northwest sometimes up very near north

Thursday July 1th 1852

Morning fine with good breeze the going about 8 or ten knot sailing North Northwest.

Friday July 2 1852

Morning fine with a good breeze going from 8 to 10 knots our Steward says he lost 70 dollars taken from is Pantry the Captain ordered Labley off the quarter deck

Saturday July 3 - 1852

Morning cloudy but no rain we have a good breeze but cant lay our course we are sailing about Northwest the Captain had the Largest pig killed to day for the fourth but I suppose we shall get none of it

Sunday July 4 - 1852

Morning cloudy the wind does not seem likely to favor us much it is driving a 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 O how I should like to be with you instead of penned up here with nothing to eat. the Captain could not spare the 2^d Cabin passengers any of the fresh Pork 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 feel 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 shant 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 2^d cabin ^{passen}gers formed A procession and promenaded the deck with all sorts of musical instruments such as flour barrel for A drum and tin pans spit boxes fiddle bango &c all going at once 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 Burge,
they then marched round the deck
2 or 3 times and then stopt 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 9th
mate, they fired a salute of
all the Pistols and guns they
could muster and take it all
round it passed off 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

List of 2nd Cabin Passengers
which sailed from New York
San Francisco California on the of

Room	Name	age
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No 1	Charles Spear	33 Years
"	Edward Sultherland	21 "
"	Augustus Bates	47 "
"	and his lady	36 "
"	John Thomson	27 "
"	And his Lady	26 "
"	J B Baker &	33 "
"	His Lady	27 "

No 2	William E Sterrett	24 "
"	Charles H Gray	21 "
"	George Fitch	42 "
"	John Jacobus	27 "
"	James Robertson	28 "
"	Amos N Davis	17 "
"	James L Davis	20 "

of Ship Governor Morton
March 12th 1852 and arrived in
July 1852

Occupation Hailing from ~~State Town~~

Publican New York N Y

W Carpenter " " " "

Cabinet Maker Chicago Illinois

" " " "

Seaman New Bedford Mass

Waterman " " " "

" " " "

Seaman China Maine

" " " "

Tailor New Haven Conn

Tappranner Newark N Y

Tobaccoist Troy N Y

No occupation Somerset Mass

Ship Carpenter " "

room names of Passengers

	name	age
No 2	Amasa Parphurst	37
"	David H Jones	34
"	Thomas B Evans	27
"	Bradford E Marble	21
"	Alfred D Davis	18
"	Oliver A Snow	26
"	William W Sanborn	25
"	Samuel I Hought	28
"	William Barton	40
Room No 3	William Porter	25
"	Solomon I Brown	33
Deck	William Mack	28
"	Samuel Webber	26
"	Philip Goodboy	26
"	William Forscheier	28
"	Jacob Setter	28
"	Michael Weller	23
"	Wakeman Mott	22
"	Eli Chesebrough	25
"	Charles I Coleman	25

continued
occupation

Hailing from

Boot Maker	Milford	Mass
Ship Carpenter	Somerset	"
Laborer	"	"
Cyrterman	"	"
no occupation	"	"
House Carpenter	Fall River	"
"	"	"
Stone Mason	Morristown	Pen
Laborer	Clayton	Mich
House Carpenter	Providence	R I
Mason	"	"
Machinist	Kilsbore	Ill
Lumberman	Guilford	Me
Tanner	Williamsville	N Y
"	"	" "
Tinman	"	" "
Tanner	"	" "
House Carpenter	Farrington	Conn
Brazier	"	"
Physician	A. H. Hector	N Y

Room	Name	Age
Room No 3	Abram B Carley	25
"	Isaac Small	28
"	George W Frost	20

No 4

"	Charles Reed	21
"	Samuel Moffatt	23
"	Israel Kirling	31
"	Anson Williams	23
"	John S Cleland	27
"	James H Sayre	31
"	Lehiel Slick	21
"	Godfrey Cnstead	22
"	Samuel A Lambert	20
"	Charles Greenman	24
"	Sharon P Doane	23
"	Hiram Stoddard	22
"	Edmund Buckley	27
"	Conrad H Hutton	33
"	Joseph Clarke	41
"	John Clarke	35

Occupations	Hailing from	
Farmer	Havana	N ^o Y
Lumberman	Gulford	Me
Book Keeper	W ^h burg	N ^o Y
Cooper	Auburn	N ^o Y
Cabinet Maker	New York	" "
Printer	"	" "
Boot Maker	Barre	Mass
Drover	Newburgh	N ^o Y
Farmer	"	" "
House Carpenter	Johnstown	Penn
Farmer	"	"
Clerk	Brooklyn	N ^o Y
"	"	" "
Machinist &	Brookfield	Mass
Shoemaker	" " "	"
Bricklayer	New York	N ^o Y
Tobacconist	Troy	" "
Laborer	Providence	R I
House Carpenter	"	" "

Room	Name	Age	
No 5	Peter Fichter	30	years
"	Theodore Gall	26	
"	Thomas Schultze	30	
"	Godfried Kirschenmund	34	
"	Charles Darling	31	
"	William M Stevens	25	
"	Edward O'Hara	28	
"	James Barnett	30	
"	David A Brown	26	
"	Dexter M Brown	23	
"	Nathan J Bolton	22	
"	Andrew J. Dickenson	22	
"	Heinrich Kroops	20	
Dead " X	Nickolas Bernhard	25	
"	Thomas Walsh	23	
"	Henry Hummell	18	

Occupation	Hailing from	
Cabinet Maker	Newark	NJ
"	"	"
Seaman	"	"
Silkwearer	"	" "
Trapper	New York	N Y
Clerk	Norfolk	Conn
Laborer	Calais	Me
"	"	"
Boot maker	Milford	Mass
"	"	"
Farmer	Lynan	NH
"	"	"
Grocers clerk	New York	N Y
Cabinet maker	"	"
Hostler	Westport	Conn
Taylor	Newark	N Y

Room	Name	Age
No 6	John D Nelson	51
	Michael Graham	30
	John Frey	38
	J W Brown	30
	James Warrell	25
	James Long	41
	Henry Hyde	23
	John Mullins	31
	Francis Courroy	35
	William Raymond	22
	John H Cook	29
	Thomas G Knapp	38
	Levi C. Hillman	30
	J. H. Cushing	46
	Moses R Brown	21
	David Campbell	21
	John C Wood	27

Occupation	Hailing from	
House Carpenter	Troy	N.Y.
Shoemaker	Paterson	N.J.
Musician	Newburgh	N.Y.
Carpenter	Montgomery	"
Farmer	New Windsor	"
Sadler	Brooklyn	"
No occupation	"	"
Stevordore	New York	"
Ship Sawyer	Somerset	Mass.
nail maker	Wareham	"
Pump Maker	Fall River	"
Farmer	Goshen	N.Y.
Blacksmith	Coburnsville	Conn.
"	"	"
Carpenter	Montgomery	N.Y.
"	Newburgh	"
Painter	Cambridge	Mass.
Married		43
Single		43
Widower		1

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 8 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 head ahead

Thursday July 8 - 1852

The weather stormy and the
wind dead ahead the Captain
locked up the Stewards because
she would not do the washing
for the cabin she said she was
not able he says she shall wash
them or live on bread and water

Friday the 9 - 1852

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

Saturday July 10 - 1852

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

Sunday July 11 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 a 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 accom-
modations as we have here.

Tuesday July 13 ~~at~~ 1852.

fair wind running in on
soundings

~~Monday~~ Wednesday 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 8 o'clock ran in and dropped anchor about 10 o'clock. ~~the~~ I took a boat to come on shore to see where to leave my things left Joseph on board the waterman charges one dollar a piece to land us.

July 31 sent letter Home

August 14 sent letter Home

21 Letter home by the California

September 1st

2nd 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~~ ² days
for Mr Macready at 6 dollars
and one day and ot half on the
steamer Winfield Scott for
Mr Eliot at 7 dollars per day
Sat 7 received 24 00
Paid Board 10 d. Balance 14 00

August 9 - 1852

at work on Steamer Winfield
Scott for Mr Elliot at 7 dollars
Sat 14 Received \$52 50
Paid for Board 10 00
" " Washing 1 50
Balance 40 00

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

Sat 21 Received 42 00
Paid for Board 10 00
Balance 32 00

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

~~Sat 25~~ one day for Mr Roper

Sat 28 received for ^{the} Scott 31 50

Paid Board 10 00

Balance ~~307.00~~ 21 50

cash on hand in Gold 307 00

Silver change 355

1852

August 30 ^Work six days for
Mr Stoker at 7 dollars

Sep 2^d and received to Balance acct 44 00
Paid for Board and Washing 10 75
Balance Left 33 25

Sep 11 Rec of Mr Stoker
to Balance account for six days
work at seven dollar per day 42 00
Paid for Board 10 00
Balance Left 32 00

Sep 18 Rec of Mr Stoker
to Balance account for six day,
work at seven dollar per day 42 00
Paid for board 10 00
for washing 75
Balance Left 31 25

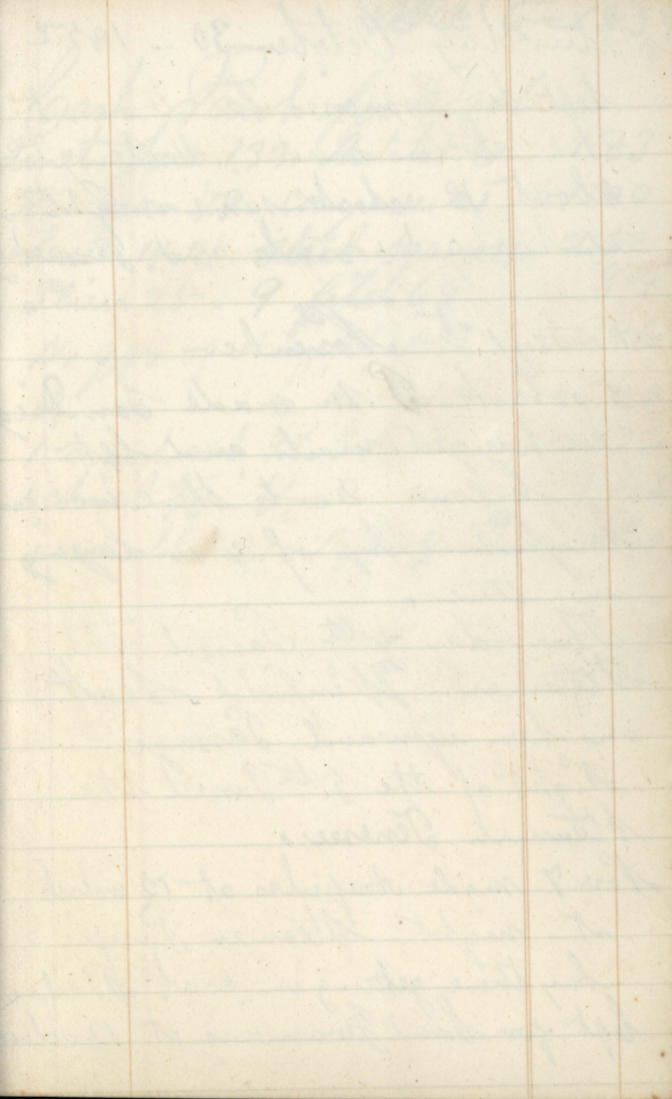
Sep 13 Deposited with Messrs Adams
\$ 350.00 Certificate No 6441 &c

Sep 24 Worked five days for
 Mr Stoken at 7 dollars
 and recieved to Balance acct 35 00
 Paid for Board 10 00
 Balance 25 00
 Paid for Passage to San Jose
 in Sloop four dollars 4 00
 one night Lodging and breakfast 1 00
 for Board in San Jose 5 25
 passage in Steamer down
 to San Francisco 8 00
 for dinner on board 1 50
 19 75

Oct 2 Work for Mr Mains
 one and three quarters days
 work at 7 dollars pr day 12 25
 Rec on acct 10 30
 B

Oct 10	worked for Mr. Truett & Truett	
6 Days	at seven dollars	
	cash rec	42 00
	Paid Board & washing	<u>11 50</u>
	Balance	30 50

Oct 16	Truett & Truett	
	one day	7 00
	Mr. Curry	
	3 days	<u>21 00</u>
		28 00
	Board	<u>1 00</u>
	Balance	18 00



Saturday October 30 - 1852

Left San Francisco to Day at
12 o'clock made Monterey
about 12 o'clock same night
exchanged mails and Proceeded on

Sunday 1st November

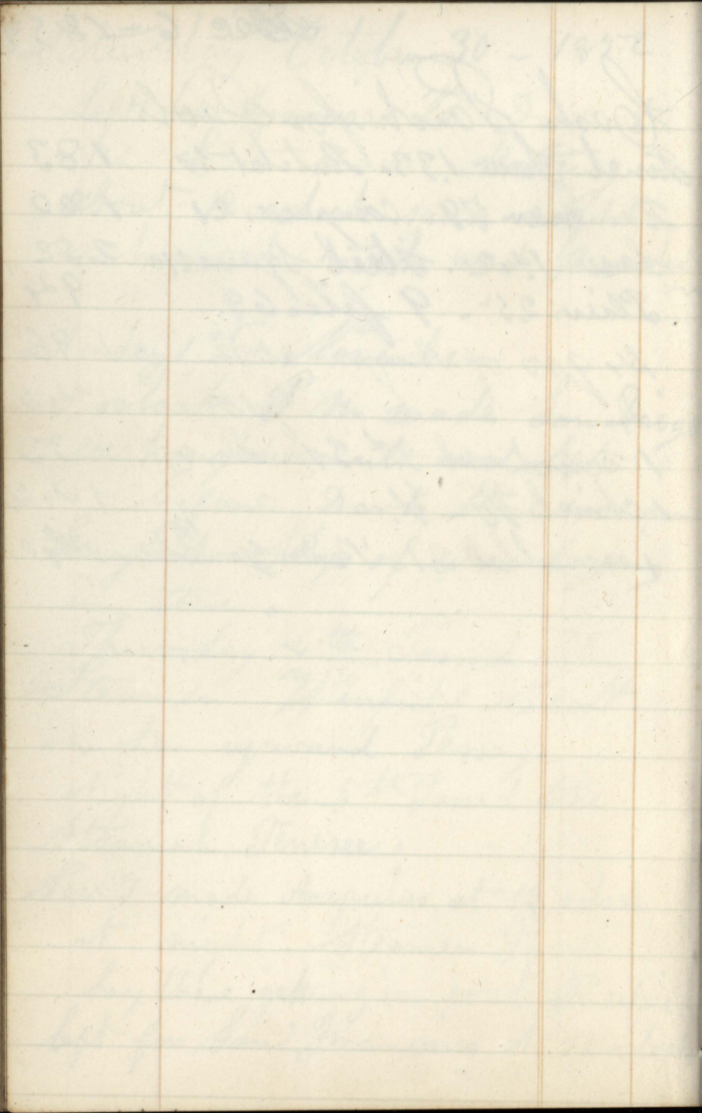
5 o'clock P.M. made San Diego
exchanged mails and left
before dark there was an
English Ship of war laying
in there.

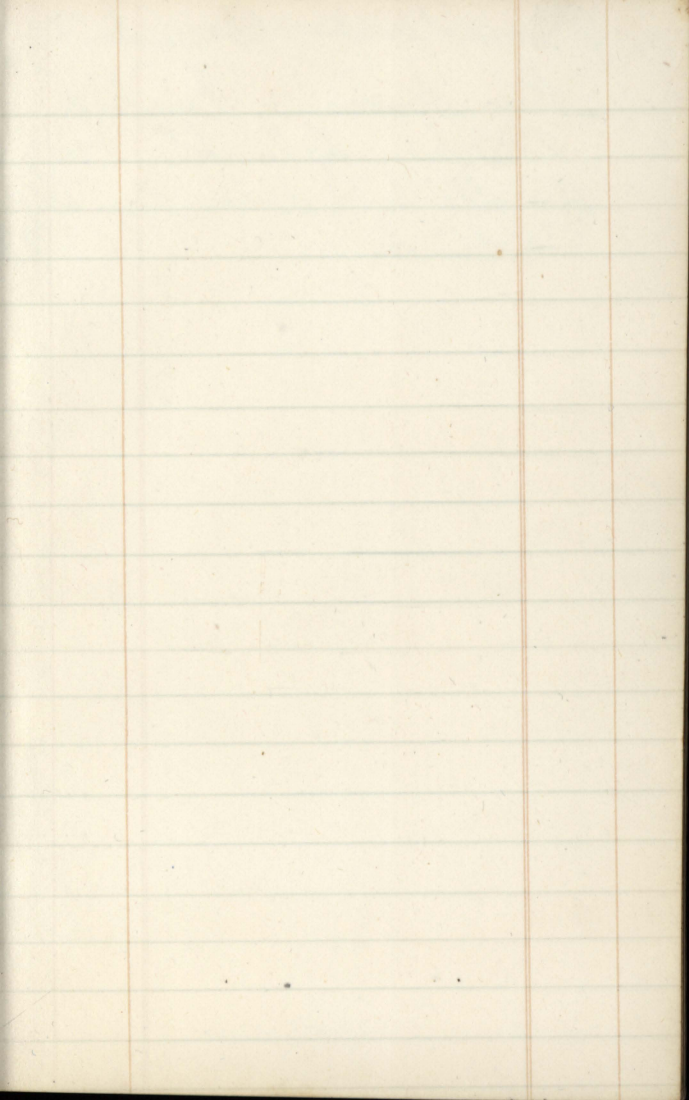
Thursday 2th Passed the
Steamer Winfield Scott
on her upward Passage
Night of the 5th Passed the
Steamer Tennessee.

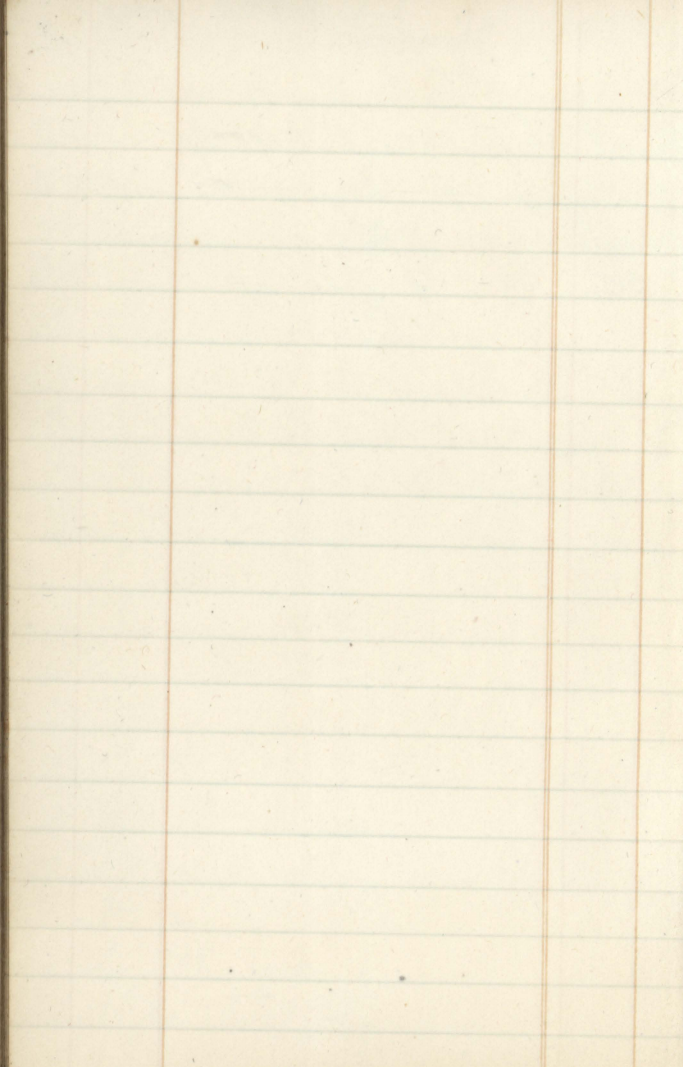
Nov 7 made Acapulco at 12 o'clock
at night. Steamer Pacific
lay there getting in coal Pacific
left for San Francisco at 12 o'clock.

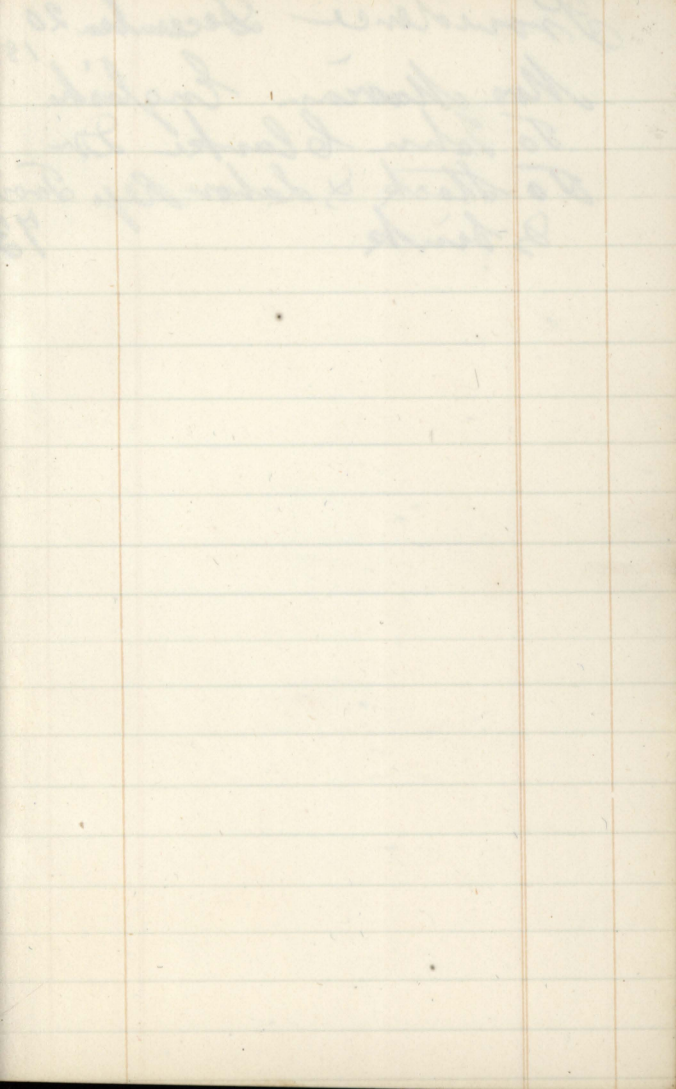
Dec 6 - 1857

Cash Paid for Tools		
Panel Saw 133.	Hatchet 50	1 83
Hammer 79.	Compasses 21	1 00
Saw 142.	Steel square 110	2 52
Pliers 25.	9 files 69	9 24
14 gws of Augers at 14		1 96
2 -- -- -- 10		40
1 screw and 9d 3 handle, 21		33
1 chisel $\frac{1}{6}$ - $\frac{1}{4}$.		1 42
1 mallet 21.	¹⁷ $\frac{1}{2}$ Dr gimblet.	50









Providence December 20 1852
Mrs Marian English
To John Clarke Dr
To Stock & Labor Rep. Troughton
& sink 75

30
6
—
180

Lakin

307	147 25	140 175
34	5 50	75 200
345	Case 5 50	5 50
344.50	198 75	275

Sansom's Lf
 Lf

W Baker Hubbard
 Centerville Grass
 Valley
 Nevada Co

Saw Wharf
 Montgomery St
 Broadway

