

Off Galapagos Islands.

Monday May 28th 1855.

Strong trades from the S.E. and fine weather. Mr. Henry with part of the crew painting the ship on the starboard side. Mr. Taylor with one boat crew brought off 4 boat-loads of wood. Wm. myself & Lissy with George & Edwards went on shore after breakfast and stayed until 3 o'clock. Wm. shot several birds enough for a dinner. Lissy & me picked up small shells. just before having she went in bathing and had a fine time.

Tuesday May 29th 1855.

Strong trades from the S.E. and fine weather. at daylight two boats started for Duncan's, the rest employed in stowing away wood. At night the boats returned bringing 14 Terrapins. Arrived about ten times. I have been very busy to day cleaning George's room; as the one he has occupied.

Wednesday May 30th 1855.

Strong trades and fine weather. Capt. caulking the stern of the ship. Mate painting the starboard side the second time. The Mate bringing off wood.

Thursday May 31st 1855.

Strong trades and pleasant, at 4 in the morn two boats started for Duncan's. Wm. painted the ship's name. Lissy helped land; it being too windy to paint the other side. Mr. Taylor brought off wood, the boats arrived at half past 8 in the evening bringing 26 Terrapins.

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Friday June 1st 1855.

Strong winds and pleasant. All hands employed in painting ship. Wm. myself & Lissy went on shore after specimens, collected a few small shells. Lissy went in bathing, arrived back in time for supper.

Saturday June 2^d 1855.

Strong trades from the S.E. and pleasant. two boats started for Duncan's for the last cruise. Capt. offered a box of cigars for the largest Terrapins, in the afternoon painted the ship on the S.E. side the second time. mended foresail; at night boats returned bringing 14 large Terrapins. Henry the largest one.

Sunday June 3^d 1855.

Strong trades and fine weather. sent the foresail. gave Henry the box of cigars, and divided another among the men forward.

Monday June 4th 1855.

Brisk trades and fine weather. at 8 A.M. took the anchor and went to sea, having taken on board 10 boat-loads of wood and 64 Terrapins. the men employed in cleaning chains stowing anchors &c. saw Porpoises; passed Crossmans Islands, and between Brattle and Albemarle, heading to the S.

Tuesday June 5th 1855.

Strong trades and cloudy, steering at W. the men employed in cleaning chains about 4 P.M. spoke Ship Robt Edwards, Capt Kelly, of St. Bedford. 21 hrs out. 700 sp. Capt & Mrs Kelly came on board to tea and passed the evening with us, although strangers, it is very pleasant to meet them.