They are now at work on the rigging. I made about 25 caps today for them to put on. I expect she will look quite nicely when she gets painted. The owners take a great deal of pride in having their ships to look well when they arrive. Made 215 miles the last 24 hours.

4th Moderate winds. We get along very slowly. Still I can hardly realize that we are so near home.

I am nightly with my friends in dreams - and nightly see and converse with my dear Father. I tremble when I think what other changes there may be in store for us.

But the Divine promise that "as our day is so shall our strength be", is as true now as when first uttered, if we will trust in Him, "who doth all things well". Made 120 miles the last 24 hours - Raised a ship in the afternoon a long way ahead bound in the same direction as ourselves, which was thought might be a whaler.

5th Passed the ship about 3 o'clock A.M. which proved to be a Merchant man. We left him in the distance a long time before noon. He must be a very dull sailer. Made 130 miles in 24 hours.

6th Fine weather as usual. Passed a ship last night in the first watch. I looked out the cabin window to see her by moonlight. A ship under full sail is a very grand sight, particularly by moonlight. Made 140 miles the last 24 hours.

7th Two ships in sight in the morning. Fine weather but very warm. Made 130 miles in 24 hours.

8th Saw a ship at a distance in the forenoon. The wind very moderate making only 180 miles in 24 hours.

9th Fine weather but a very light breeze and very warm made only 100 miles in 24 hours.

10th Made 100 miles in 24 hours.

11th Made 108 miles in 24 hours. It takes us a long time to get to the line. At this rate we shall not be home before the middle of June.

12th This has been a very busy day. They have all been engaged in "washing ship" on deck and the Steward

and cabin (or Steerage) boy have been cleaning the forward cabin. I wiped up a little in my apartments as I do every Saturday, but do not wish to clean for good until we get nearer home. I shall feel badly, after all, to give up my Addison home. It would be folly to think of spending four years less happily than the last have been spent, had it not been for the last sad home news - that causes me to dread the thoughts of going home. Made 140 miles in 24 hours - Caught two Porpoises in the afternoon and saw a few blackfish in the morning.

13th Crossed the line at noon today for the last time making the sixth time on this voyage. Twice in the Atlantic and four times in the Pacific. Made 140 miles in 24 hours. Samuel sets today the 12th prior for us to arrive home, Mr Baird sets the 14th, Mr Bowman the 13th and Mr Van Dorous the 15th.

14th Everybody has been engaged in washing ship outside today. I have been washing, boy warm in the forenoon but in the afternoon it was some squally and the wind headed ahead.

20th For the last week all have been very busy washing and painting ship. Have had fine breezes since the 14th, except that we could not head just as we wished, for three or four days. The wind is more free now so that we have studding sails out and going along finely. Made 190 miles the last 24 hours, and 920 miles the last week.

21st Fine weather, but very warm, especially while washing. My washhouse adjoins the galley so that I have the full benefit of the cook's fire. Made 175 miles in 24 hours.

22nd Employed in ironing today, doing up the shirts, collars skirts &c and considered that I had very good success. Made 160 miles the last 24 hours.

23rd Today I have been engaged in cleaning Minnie's little room, the blue waters receiving many of her treasures