which we thought of not sufficient value to take home.
Although it is in the midst of house cleaning at home, I do not believe any of them had a warmer dinner than I had, or that they perspired more than I, I need not do any of the cleaning except that I do it from choice as they I know it is clean.
Made 110 miles this 24 hours.
24th Saw a ship today supposed to be an Englishman. Fine weather as usual and moderate. Made 140 miles in 24 hours.
25th Saw a Barque today (a Brig I should have written) bound probably to the West Indies. Very moderate almost a dead calm making only 85 miles in 24 hours. Weather extremely warm, the sun being directly overhead.
26th Very moderate. our good ship "just moving her slow length along". Caught one fish today Minnie landed three of them, they caught one and gave her for raising it. The cook fried it for her supper and it was very nice.
Made 108 miles in 24 hours. Lightning during the night.
27th A dead calm for the most of the day. Caught about two dozen fish of the kind called "pilot-fish" the same as was caught yesterday. Got no latitude today owing to an error in time. Cleaned my room yesterday probably for the last time, except a few finishing touches.
28th Saw two schooners in the morning. Sent a boat on board one hoping it might be a Yankee and we might get some late papers, but it proved to be the Elizabeth of New Brunswick bound to Barbadoes with a cargo of lumber. The Captain said in reply to the question have you any date papers, that they had neither a book nor a paper of any kind on board except one or two bills. The other schooner was several miles off. Made 170 miles in 48 hours.
29th The air close in the morning with some thunder. In the evening there was several clouds from which lightning proceeded incessantly with occasional peals of thunder apparently at a great distance. The lightning was very sharp and lasted through the night.
Made 75 miles the last 24 hours.

30th Commenced "packing for home" today. Packed a basket of books and three boxes of books and clothing. Home seems very near, it excites me very much to think of it. If I could only meet all of the dear family circle that I left behind, how joyful would be my anticipations. The weather is some cooler than it has been for a few weeks past.
Made 148 miles the last 24 hours.
31st Last night we had thunder and lightning with occasional showers of rain through the night, the lightning was very sharp and the thunder deep but the clouds passed off without coming very near. Today the air is very pure and clear. Packed a box of preserved pine apple today. The wind is not as we would like to have it, we do not get to the westward as we would wish, but perhaps there will be a change by and bye. Made 82 miles the last 24 hours.
June 1st The first day of summer at home, but we have had summer for some time, I think we shall have no warmer weather at home than we have had here. Packed two large baskets today and filled the Commodi with light articles to take home in it. Passed a ship last night, made 75 miles in 24 hours.
2nd Cleaned the after cabin and the water-closet today so that now my cleaning is completed. Also put the Medicine chest in ship-shape order. Saw a schooner and a ship in the afternoon. The ship was bound in an opposite direction from ourselves, the schooner the same as we were, but at sunset she took in sail so we decided that she was a shaler cruising on this ground. But it appears to be a very dry spot just now. Nothing to be seen except "gulf-weed" of which there is an enormous quantity occasionally we get a few pieces for the hogs hens and ducks and often find them filled with crabs and very small fish. Made 90 miles in 24 hours.
3. Cloudy in the morning with occasional peals of thunder. Commenced raining about 10 A.M. and continued in showers throughout the day. Consequently could get no observations.