

In lowering from the ship we captured the
boat but soon his her right side up went
in store got 2 of the crew saw 5 ships leaving
off the Island from a warmer Island is 180
196 & and last 2:40 South

Friday 28 first part fine & trades at
4 o'clock. At 11 left off to the westward
set topmast and lower standing sails
At 10 o'clock the wind backed to the SW with a heavy
squall of wind we were forced to hand on a light
sail. Dried down the topmast and doubled reefed
latter part of the day calm and rainy
Saw Roaches Island to the eastward distant 12
miles saw 1 bark and 2 ships
the natives we got yesterday wished themselves
back again and I wish they were one of
them says he has a wife and 5 children
Our last and long but little different
from Roaches Island

Saturday 29 commenced calm employed
at killing the head rigging saw Roaches
Island to the eastward distant 3 miles
Left in store sail to port saw 3 sails
Middle part calm saw several little along saw
the ship sails the land every minute
latter part light air from all points of the compass
At 3 o'clock 3 small canoes came along
side we made an exchange of salutes I can
not offer to go on the board of them we got
the first day we was at the Island and we had
the good fortune to get 2 more making 4 in
all saw the ship at the end of this day the
land was not more than 5 miles distant

January 1853
Sunday 30 commenced with light airs from the south
and still trading with the natives of Roaches
Island at 2 o'clock at 11 the barometer fell
the Island was east distant 6 miles
Middle part fine breeze from SW sleep
ing at 11 o'clock part light winds
saw 2 ships employed at killing the
lower part of the day calm and rainy
about the first week we must use the sails
to last them Jan 1853 30 E
Lat 2 50 South

Monday 31 commenced with light winds
from the southward but some squalls of
rain saw 2 ships on our lubbers quarter
dressed up to us fast
Had to put on a belt of arms
in berry to keep him from picking
his land

Tuesday February 2nd 1853
first part of this had fine pleasant weather
with light variable winds from the west
ward doing all we can to get the same direction
employed at at a little of every
thing broke out for bark but not
saw middle part the same as the first
latter part raining very hard so
ends
Long 174:15 East
Lat 2 50 South

Wednesday 3 commenced with fresh breeze
from the westward where it has been
for the last 6 weeks all hands are
discouraged if these winds much longer
as we shall the Tappan deavour
middle part light winds and pleasant
weather latter part the weather looked very
bad but did not make out much
at observation
all hands distant 12 miles And I was over
more so since I belonged to it ship
the have over our rigging and new rigging
on board of this ship is one bark than
I have ever heard in 5 years on board
of other ships