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Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> Capt Smith has been on shore the most of the day... we have now nearly finished purchasing... it really seems... I have purchased a few small shells... also a large quantity of Cocconuts... I have today finished a stitching I have been knitting for Elizabeth... they were very much excited about it... This is the fifty second anniversary of my mother's death... shall I behold her on Earth... the thought of meeting her again in Heaven... my prayer daily is for grace and patience to bear cheerfully theills of life... given by beloved Mother may also be my portion.

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Another day is closing... three boats have been on shore... Capt Luff and Small have passed the ship with... our crew have been on shore... we have a small raft of water to get in the morning and hope to leave here by noon... It is five years today since Sissie died... but she is far happier now than she ever could have been here... will my God be done."

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> This morn finished getting water... about eleven o'clock started for St Helena... Capt Luff and Small were on board... Capt Luff will leave tomorrow... this morn we have had a good breeze all day and are going along nicely.

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Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Have had a good breeze all day but not as favorable as we could wish... I have done but little work... I now feel very anxious to get to St Helena hoping to get letters from home... we have Pine Apples, Cocconuts, Bananas, Oranges, Lemons, Muskmelon Apples, we also get Sweet Potatoes, Chickens, Eggs, Chili pepper, Sarsaparilla wood and water, Ladies cloth, Tobacco &c for them... Money is scarce at present... we are for it, this is the first place I ever went where money was of no account... Capt Luff of the Globe had a lot of medicine he brought from home to sell... six bottles of Golden Seal.

Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Have had a good breeze all day... are getting along nicely... I have been knitting on Elizabeth's sock and making some... This morn saw a large school of Blackfish.

Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> The weather remains good... a little cloudy with a good breeze... for some time... this afternoon have turned the table on our sitting room... Mrs Helene's dove got out of its cage today and flew overboard and was drowned.

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Today have been cleaning our stateroom and have put down our carpet... it seems clean and nice once more... the weather remains about the same... we are getting along nicely... I shall be glad to get to St Helena.

Sept 24<sup>th</sup> Have cleaned the After Cabin throughout and Capt Luff has varnished it over... I have also finished Elizabeth's hose... I sincerely hope another Saturday night will find us anchored at St Helena with good news from home.