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I hope they may not all be gone when we arrive here. I have spent the day looking over the ships etc. and feel
21.35 Sat 23. 3rd quite tired have seen quantities of
5.40 Sun 24. 4th Gulf mud today. We caught some and
this was it preserved in a bottle of
Salt Water.
Sat 25. 5th Have had a pleasant day. We are now
out of the N.E. Trades. I have washed
a lot of clothes today instead of waiting
Sun 26. 6th for Monday as we must have
the whalebone washed and bunched
next week and I cannot do so
wash when the decks are covered with
bone. Saw a fair tonight. Steaming towards
the West Indies
Sunday 27. 7th Another beautiful day with light winds
nothing in sight. one vessel found today
Sat 28. 8th hope to attract our own boat tomorrow
Sun 29. 9th and listen to the preaching of the
Gospel.
Monday 30. 10th Have been packing a box of Rocks shells
etc to take on shore when we arrive. Rocks
Sat 31. 11th matches have been on deck today washing
Sun 1. 12th Bone. have got it all washed, and will
bunch it tomorrow if the weather is good
here had a beautiful day today with no
wind.
Tue 2. 13th Have packed another box and cleaned the
closets and cleaned out the upper stateroom
Sat 3. 14th have had sea matches today. have got all
Sun 4. 15th the Bone bunched here. Light - then sunless
very serene & pleasant weather it is all
packed ready for landing at home.
Wednes 5. 16th Have had a rough windy day. I made four
pies this morning and a stuff for dinner

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and steam tartar biscuit for duffing
Sat 26. 67 have cut a night dress for myself and one
for the 7th finished making the jacket.
Have had quite a pleasant day with little
wind but considerable swell. Saw a
big whale nearly about curve up
with and passed her. About four o'clock
Sat 27. 68 sent Mr Ellis on board to get a fair
Sun 28. 69 bush at ten and some potatoes & fruit
if they had them to spare. Boat returned
without even a newspaper. The Brig was
the Appendix of Baltimore thirty one
days from Rio Janeiro, with coffee sent
to New York. I sent two letters on board
one to G. Allen & Son and the other to
Sam. I have spent the day working on my
nightdress the Prings Sengstoeck was fifty
eight miles west of us, but quite a
Have had a rough uncomfortable day here been
rolling about badly. I finished my night
dress tonight.
Sat 29. 70 Have had a clear day but quite rough
the moon I made yeast and fermented
pies and for supper cream tartar
biscuits have mended some clothes for
Shelley and made a pair of lace and
muslin embroidery underclothes for myself.
Sunday 30. 71 Have had a rough day. I have finished
making. have seen nothing. are now on
Sun 31. 72 whaling ground shortened sail tonight
Mon 1. 73 Have had a very rough day with rain
squalls we have rolled about fearfully.
Tue 2. 74 have seen nothing. I have commenced to repair
Belton in kind work from a pattern in Harper
Bazaar.