

Ship Balama at Loos Island
1855 Friday April 27th

Mind fresh with fair weather. Employed Wooding.
The sick doing very well, his some beginning to heal.

Saturday Apr 28th

Fresh trades with some clouds. Employed wooding. Nothing
occurred worthy of particular remark. So ends

Sunday Apr 29th

Strong trades with clouds & some rain. The sick
doing very well & so ends

Monday Apr 30th

Begins with strong trades. Latter wind light. with
light sky. Finished wooding leaving 9th ten Board
trade, all we can stand, so ends

Tuesday May 1st

Light winds with fair sky. Latter fresh repaired
the Coffin on the Larboard boat. Carpenter doing very
well, some healing fast. One man sick on board

Wednesday May 2nd

Fresh trades with fair sky. Latter fresh employed
overhauling the May Rigging. The sick of yesterday recovered
& another sick to sea. So ends

Thursday May 3rd

Mind light with fair sky. Employed variously. The
sick on board recovered & so ends

Friday May 4th

Mind moderate & variable from the Eastward with
fair weather. The Carpenter nearly well. Think we
may in two or three days go to sea without farther aid
of Small Pox, the sores of the Carpenter being healed

Saturday May 5th

Light winds or calm with fair weather. Getting
ready for sea. Materials for cleaning the clothing
& taking some current on shore this morning.

Ship Balama bound to Payta
Sunday May 6th

Mind light with fair sky. At 6 PM took the Carpenter
on board. The Tent & clothing of the men thoroughly cleaned
, washed & sprinkled with boiling vinegar. At the end of the
day the ship under way heading ESE. Paiduro Island 5/4 of a
mile distant. (Provisioner fast. 45 1/4)

Monday May 7th

Mind moderate with passing clouds. All sail set. Steering by
the wind Eastward. Saw nothing of importance. Lat. 1.42 S
Long 88.17 W

Tuesday May 8th

Mind moderate or calm with some passing clouds. Course by
the wind Eastward with all sail set. Mind Bkfish
Two Portuguese sick, so ends Lat. 1.48 S
Long 87.89

Wednesday May 9th

Light winds or calm with fair weather. All sail set. At 4
am were ship to the Southward. 12 morisian taken to ESE
Two men sick. Current N.W. 1 knot. Lat. 1.58 S Long 87.88

Thursday May 10th

Light winds with fair sky. All sail set. Working Eastward
Latter fresh saw Bkfish & took them. One man sick.
Lat. 1.58 S Long 86.38

Friday May 11th

Light winds with fair sky. All sail set. Heading Eastward
Saw nothing. (One employed making Yum Yum. One man sick
Lat. 1.58 S Long 85.52

Saturday May 12th

Light & huffling trades with fair sky. All sail set to
work Eastward. Tacked three times. Saw Bkfish & moved
twice without success. Latter, killing Bkfish Lat. 1.58 S
Long 85.52 W

Sunday May 13th

Mind moderate & steady with fair sky. All sail set. Steering
by the wind Eastward. Saw Frangipies. One man sick. Lat. 1.58 S
Current N.W. 1 knot. Long 84.11

Monday May 14th

Mind light with fair sky. All sail set. & all hands well
Employed making Yum Yum Lat. 1.31 S Long 84.00 W