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Bark Roscoe at Johannah
Monday June 7th 1847

All this Day Moderate Breezes & some clauday
the wind in the Bay the most of the time and
watch on liberty later the Starb. employed
in fitting rigging &c.

Tuesday 8th
First Part Moderate Breezes with a heavy Shower. Look
on liberty Starb. employed in fitting rigging Middle mod
later strong & squally with showers All hands emp
fitting rigging sent hand fore topmast & fitted the
shoulders & crosspieces Condensed 1 fore topmast stay &c

Wednesday 9th
All these 24 hours strong South winds & hard flaws
first part some rain All hands employed fitting
rigging & setting up

Thursday 10th
All these 24 hours strong winds from Southward All
hands employed setting up rigging Lending up spars
getting water from Shear & storing it away &c
At 11 AM the Eng Bark Fortescue of London Dept
Anchor 105 Days from London for Madras Capt Dick

Friday 11th
All these 24 hours strong breezes from Southward later
Starb. watch on liberty Starb. employed in ship's duty
got every thing sent up & g. yards & royal & finished
setting up rigging &c

Saturday 12th
All these 24 hours strong South winds rain & squally
& a bad swell leaving in on the beach so much so
that it was very difficult to take off vegetables.

Sunday 13th
All these 24 hours fresh breezes later fair & more
smooth first part took off 2 loads of vegetables

Monday 14th
These 24 hours moderate breezes from Southward
later all hands employed boating off vegetables
& getting ready for sea

Tuesday 15th
All these 24 hours moderate first part
got ready for sea At 4 AM Wm Keen & Sam Lyons
took the Boat from along side & deserted it being
William Dickson's watch on deck at the time they
put in abreast of the ship & left the Boat in
the rollers at daylight found her her bottom way
badly chafed & one plank cracked so that she leaked
badly I went immediately on shore to the King & inquired
him the start of some 10 or 15 men in pursuit I waited till
10 o'clock but without any news At 11 took my Anchor

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From Johanna towards Fernando Velosa Bay
Wednesday June 16th
At Meridian under way & standing out of the
Bay towards Sable Island At 2 AM west of Sable Is
middle lively breezes from South to SW. Carried
all sail on diff. tacks working to windward but
gained slowly the Current getting to Northward At 10
AM sent Mr. Barker Ashore At the town on Achilla
to see if wood could be procured At 12 he came on
board with the information that it could at 3 Dollars
A Boat load in trade & that Potatoes & fruit were plenty

Thursday 17th
Commences with light breezes from Southward
under all sail running down the North side
of the Island the town is about half the Dist
between East & West Ends At 2 PM halled to the wind
round the NW Point of the land heading up NW
Made General tacks During the night the wind light
in the morning off SW head moderate from South At
12 Meridian the East End bore NNEW Sable Island
& starting for it

Friday 18th
All these 24 hours light moderate weather At 5 PM rounded
Sable Island & halled in up for the Bay light off & on
During the night At 6 AM sent Mr. Barker on shore after the
deserters At 8 AM he came with them & had their hands
tied because they refused & resisted to come on board
I had them feared to the rigging & acquainted the crew with
the offence & that I was going to chastise them the
Carpenter spoke & said they should not do any more
duty if I flog them I gave them then with a
whipping & Keen said that he did not want to go on
the ship if that he had rather go on shore so consequently
I let him go to get rid of it in silent & disturbing making
man & let him have the most of his clothes Sam Lyons
wanted to go but I told him he must stay I went
on shore to get one Mr. Silva but he was too sick to be
removed on board if a ship when I returned on board
I found that the Carpenter Cook Edward Dore &
William Dickson had struck off duty they all went
to their duties in a few hours