

Round for Rodiak

858 21st Saturday April 21st 1858
 Saturday has hurried itself upon us and from us
 and nothing new has taken place. Everything goes
 regular and straight excepting the ship. Since
 joining she hasn't been glad to but the wind
 will not let her. It has been a head to the
 last 2 or 3 days. Been under close reef
 the top sail a part of the day. I have been
 making tack and up and down for the last

859 Sunday April 22nd
 I hope to be able to witness the dinner and
 close of another Sabbath. It has been spent like
 all or most other Sabbaths at sea. I have had
 nothing to do and so have the greater chance
 to tell stories and to talk of our expected
 and our pleasant journey home and other fine
 times we shall have with the old folks at home
 and the better time with the girls. And the
 few married men speak of the greater and of
 more probable joy they expect with their wives
 and dear little children. There is much
 talk of lately as the time seems to be near when
 we shall start on with the Lord's blessing.
 I trust we shall arrive there to be a help in
 training up the little ones they may they should
 assist in administering the means of virtue and
 religion. The day has been such a stormy
 wind and a head sea. I wish to be home.

860 Monday April 23rd
 We are once more favored with a foul fair wind
 Fair because it is South and the course is N. W.
 Fair because of a directly rising. I hear some
 say they are glad this is the last season in the U.S.
 Got up the stove in the cabin it will soon be sold
 enough to have one here. Since we left port the
 men have been on an allowance of molasses and meat
 and that on Sunday for stuff and today they have informed
 the Capt through the steward that they had rather not have
 any than to be troubled with so little. It is said to be
 the Capt very much. They have no meat when they have

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861 Tuesday April 24th 1858
 The day has been very much the same as the first our
 Latitude to be 2. 3. 4. for all the weather begins to be
 cold which make the sailors glad a little at least
 head. Our side doesn't stand yet. But shall try
 it soon and get a little faster along.
 Had a little rain during the night to make the tars
 think of their comfortable homes.

862 Wednesday April 25th
 Another stormy day. A cold day has been passed
 and the sailors are very much annoyed. Wind N. by N. E.
 I kept below this weather and do a little in the kitchen
 which is a little by all over the ship to be the best place
 in the ship. The men have shaved a little of meat
 to day which I believe is a hint all the work has been
 done. We shall soon get used to this weather.

863 Thursday April 26th
 The wind of yesterday in the morning was to west
 hold. This was the cause of some jostling and
 cold fingers. The most of them think will be their
 best way on Rodiak and I know it will be
 and good wind again. Lat about 2. 3. 4. N. E.

864 Friday April 27th
 The morning was very pleasant for the first
 time for some time a week which made the sailors
 rejoice and they promised to dry their wet clothes, but
 before noon he hid himself behind the clouds
 and while out of sight would pour out a little rain
 just enough to plague them. I think it a good thing
 as it may learn them to stay at home with their families
 and not by a good warm fire and perhaps a snug
 little wife who would be very comfortable. I
 wish to be home. It happened and it did last evening
 at 9 o'clock the day had the weather was and it was
 more than the old land with a fair wind and
 the sailors were sitting in the kitchen with the
 fire and the day was the best yet. The men were
 very much pleased and the Capt was very much
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