

April 1870
Friday 22nd

This Day begins with rain & continues squally throughout the day. I have been very busy to day doing nothing except coil a line. Sub of line this afternoon the wind is hauling to the North more we have been making to 1000 fms since we left Homer. I think it is about 1/2 time we hauled up a little more for the day. The weather is so warm here I am glad when we get where it is cooler. Although I fairly dread the passage to the North but the day we get there the sooner it will be over with but I am writing a big piece to night I expect I shall write again for a week to make a

Saturday 23rd

This Day comes in the first part with a strong breeze & clear weather. We are running along under a sail & making about 10 knots per hour. I have made a new hammock for my gun to day and made a new line cover for the small line take it all together this has been quite a pleasant day. Our day has told the Cooper and Black Smith to wear clean clothes when they come into his cabin to eat their meals. He is a very particular man about some things but altogether I like him first rate. So far but I can tell better how I like him after we have been North for that is a place that brings a man out and shows just what he is. But I guess if any body should happen to read this book they would laugh.

Course W by N
Wind S.W.

April 1870
May 24th

We are running along with a fine breeze on our St. Sebastian this morning making about eight knots per hour. It has been very nice weather all day to day but this evening looks a little squally. We have been stirring well to the North the last few days but do not perceive any change in the atmosphere yet but I guess will will see a difference in about 10 days more if the wind holds. Mr. Sherman has painted his boat to day. It has been such nice weather the Capt. did not like the solar at first but finally thought it best for we are not certain of getting another such a fine day in this latitude's every thing seems very quiet aboard the ship lately I don't know how it is but some how I feel lonesome lately. Mr. North has gone out of my watch now so I don't have any body to gam with but the boat stuns and there is not much fun in talking with them.

Course N.W. by N
Wind E. by S.