

Ship Abigail Cruising

Saturday June the 30th 1849
first part strong strong
gales from the Southeast
with very heavy squalls of wind
and rain at 6 PM the
wind hauled to the NW at 8 PM
to the Northward at 8 put her off
latter part strong winds from
the Northward with gale steering S

Sunday the 1st of July 1849
first fine breeze from the
Northward with a little haze
at sundown took in all but a close
huff in top sail and fore sail

Monday the 2^d
fine weather but calm Employed in
breaking out for water

Tuesday the 3^d
light wind from the Southward
steering S to S W Employed
in setting up the head
stays

Wednesday the 4th
strong winds from the S
steering S to the Eastward
at 5 PM killed 2 Roasties
and a hog for a 4th of July
dinner

Thursday the 5th
fine weather the wind from
the Southward steering S to
the Westward Employed in
fitting jibs penants and repairing
and a pint one this day has
been another one to be remembered as
one of my most gloomy and dreary

On the Japan Ground

Friday July the 6th 1849
Compassing S dark and gloomy
with the star in the western
horizon latter part Employed
in repairing jibs

Saturday the 7th
fine weather the wind from
the Southward but the prospect
is at dark as ever latter part
Employed in whitewashing the
jibs & cabin

Sunday the 8th
fine weather the wind from the
Southward steering S to the S W
latter part light winds and
squally Lat 30:57 167:13

Monday the 9th
light winds and squally weather
I think that I never felt
so low in spirits as at this
present time but while there is
life there is hope

Tuesday the 10th
light winds and fine weather
steering S to the S W Employed
in breaking the upper hold & for
Bay and cooping it Lat 30:46

Wednesday the 11th
first part light winds from
the Eastward steering S to the S W
this is another of the most gloomy
days that I ever saw
Except about 10 minutes at 8 AM
when I had a bright view of
better times, it seemed almost a reality
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