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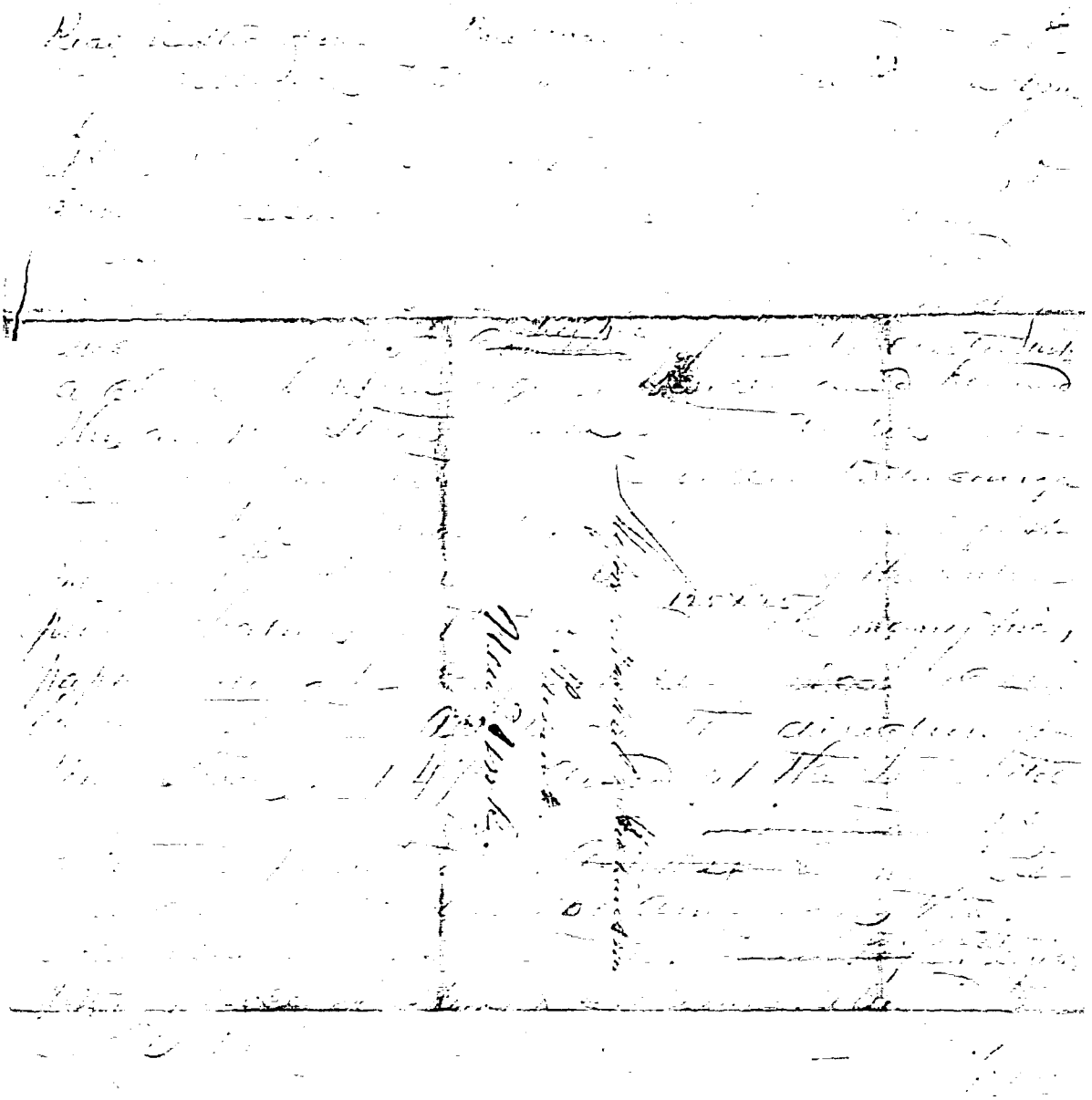

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Part of articles of Court procedure
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if the District Attorney finds
it necessary for the transaction
of business of any proceeding.
Passed and approved this Thirty
first day of December in the
year of our Lord One Thousand
Eight hundred and forty seven.
The Hermana Cabin Passengers.

Wm. R. Wadleigh
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Albert Morely
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Geo. B. Boyd
John G. R. Forbes
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Library of SF
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"Feb 5, 1840"

Aboard Sutton
Lat. 3°:17 –
Long 21st – 48

F.W. to Rachel

Dear Mother

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On board Ship Sutton At Sea.
February 5th. 1849.
Lat 3°.17'. Long 244°.48'

Dear Mother.

Eight bells have just struck sending forth their merry peals upon the boundless ocean. The joyful sound "Sail ho!" was just heard and made to ring from stem to stern of the old Ship. Springing in to the main rigging and lo! a vessel about two miles distant upon the lee bow. We are now bearing down upon her with a very exceedingly light breeze. The day has been an adventurous one for us full of interest. Until yesterday, during the last two days we have been sailing steadily along between a South & a South easterly course hoping to have made the Cape de Verde Islands but they are now some weeks to the North East of us. We are now bound for St Catherine's in the east coast of South America situate in Lat 27°.12 South. At this port we shall stop to take in water and repair a leak. We shall probably be at anchor there some three or four

days. What a relief this will be to the monotony of a long sea voyage. The case is nothing serious. We might go around the Horn in perfect safety but then it is not best to do so when we can conveniently stop at so convenient a port. The Captain intends tracking us all ashore. It is a delightful place. We may expect to hear from me there. If we any wind at all favorable we shall reach the island of St Catherine in eight or ten weeks. Yesterday and to day we have been becalmed. But this we must expect so near under the equator. To night there is a little breeze. The wind is as I this writing. "The ship is bearing down upon us". Good bye. I wish to inform you we are well. Such has been the supply my absence owed you. I have now been thoroughly accustomed to the ship and made up my mind to come to myself in reading writing corresponding & like the first of most I am. It is five weeks to day since we left Port so that one fifth of the time is already past and

that has very pleasantly considering the rough weather sea & strong wind we had the first week. The day has been an exciting one from the various incidents which have transpired calculated to make everyone on board feel happy for some days to come. Our passengers are a gentlemanly set of fellows and generally speaking very amiable so that everything passes in very smoothly. This morning we caught a shark which has been fooling around since yesterday until he finally lowered the hook. He hauled him over the side of the vessel and dissected him in front the main hatch. Before the life was out of his body one had a tooth or an eye and other had his fins or the tip of his nose. One and all came in for a portion of his head. His back bone is floating in the wake of the ship to be converted tomorrow into a walking stick. In company with the sharks were two pilot fishes which invariably seek security under their fins. The shark's body was covered with several small fishes called sucker

which stuck to the shark till he was hauled upon deck. They were secured and preserved for some time in a tub full of water. The tail of the shark, the only part of this fish fit to eat, was served up for tea to the steerage passengers. This afternoon we lowered one of the quarter boats and took a row for several miles around the vessel. Time does not say it was a pleasant one. I must here end the description of the day.

Saturday 6. 5 O'clock. I am heavily just awake. Hope soon to be quite awake. Mr and Mrs Jones were very gently in my ear that there was a strange attempt of us and that the captain intended to have a fair and that I might go a-board. It was calm all last night and will probably continue so during the day. I wish you to remember me to Daniel John & Henry. What a tender time we had in getting from Washington to Hingham Henry. I often think of it. It was equal to any thing I experienced in my travels through Switzerland. Henry must have had a hard time of it returning. I have written Mrs Ellen in Henry and therefore shall not

many things which you would like to hear about. I will have a long letter prepared to send off upon your arriving at the Bathurst. This is my third letter. The first I sent by the pilot, & the second by a Canton Ship bound for London about 12 or 13 days ago. I hope you have received them both. My health continues good and I enjoy myself as much as a mortal can expect to under existing circumstances. I wish you to remember me to Anson, Mr Thompson & Sister Morgan. Tell them and other of my intimate friends to write to me across the Isthmus about the middle of April so that I may receive their letters ~~some time~~ about the time I arrive at San Francisco. Direct to the care of George Schandell Esq San Francisco. Write in one corner "To remain until called for". I gave you a different address. I have since learned that there is no such Firm at present. I have had some conversation with George & Mr Spaulding his partner whereby I am to make a kind arrangement with them upon arriving in

California. It may not be so advantageous as the one I thought to have made but Well that will sufficiently to ~~be~~ never to make me regret going to California. I shall do well never fear. I am to meet with them. There will be a party of Sixty consisting of George, Mr Wadsworth his friend, Mr Duffer a respectable young gentleman of Brooklyn. A young man by the name Weir coming out in the South Carolina myself and one other. Mr Duffer is a very young man and one I like very much so that I shall look upon him as a friend to advise me under disposers circumstances. The passengers of the Ship form an interesting community. There is order and order among us. We have a Constituted Temperance Society of the former I am a Member and to the latter Secretary. Two very honorable offices you will say. I hope to be able to found a Library in San Francisco and to become its Librarian. I think I shall be able to raise from two or three hundred dollars on board. — We should above wishing you to excuse this scrawl. Write soon. Your loving & affectionate Brother Affectionately
Wm T Wallace

Envelope for letter
dated Feb 5 1849
Lib. Hay to his mother

Received April 26th 1849

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Mrs Thomas Whaller
care J. Hardie Esq
North Street
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Copy — Feb 5, 1849

On Board Sutton —

Thos. to Anna —

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On board Ship Sutlej at Sea
February 5th 1824
Latitude 3.05 N Longitude 24.48

Dear Anna

The joyful sound of "Sail ho!" "Where away?" "On the starboard bow" ~~awoke me from my slumbers~~ was heard early this morning and made the old Sutlej ring from stem to stern with delight while the merry sound of ~~bells~~ bells was sending forth its gladsome notes over the tranquil waters. The night (illumined by the full moon) was still as death except the occasional flapping of the sails. The eyes of all were instantly directed to a dusky spot upon the horizon which gradually increased in size as we drew nearer. Presently conjectures were formed as to what nation the vessel belonged and where she could possibly be bound. ~~The~~ Captain Marsh settled all enquiries for the time being by saying it was an American going probably to Europe. The painted ports seemed to confirm the pilot of his belief, the ~~stars and stripes were not~~ not to the pirate. To the surprise of all the stranger displayed the Spanish flag. She could not then have been ~~more than~~ the distance of more than a mile presenting a most beautiful appearance as she sank and then rose again upon the billow. When we were sufficiently near both vessels hove to. We lowered a quarter boat in to which the Captain, his mother (the young gentleman who called upon me a morning or two before I left home) and myself with an other passenger jumped and were rowed along side of the Spaniard. The Captain hailed her in English "Back a boy!" But it was of no use. I next hailed her in French and received in answer to my questions that she was the Bark Maria from Malaga bound to Lima with a cargo ~~of~~ fruit and wine. These preliminaries, the Spanish Captain having satisfied himself where we were from & the many particulars invited us to come on board. So they we crowded round the boat in order to the ladder. I was obliged to act as interpreter for the whole party. You may conceive we were kept very busy. Having accepted a further invitation to

breakfast the Spanish Captain proposed that we should go on board and we should follow and do so as to lose no time. Capt Wardle gave the order to his ship when instantly the yards of both vessels were squared. I cannot detail to you all I saw, suffice it to say I was well pleased with everything particularly with the excellent condition of meats, wines and stores. The ship and crew bore a characteristic of the nation to which the ship belonged. The sides of the ship in which the same manner as casks of water are on board of American ships. ~~Everything was clean and in the most perfect order.~~ By an decree of Spanish vessels on ships to furnish their men each with a bottle of wine every day between the fortieth degree north and south of the Equator. Having examined everything which we found clean and in the most perfect order we ~~proceeded~~ ~~about 11 o'clock to return on board the Sutton.~~ ~~The~~ Captain Wardle and I proceeded returning to the Sutton with the Spanish Captain and his make leaving Mr Wardle and the passengers on board as prisoners of war. This was no surprise to us upon getting into the boat a barrel of wine two boxes of raisins and one of macaroni which which the generous Spanish Captain had caused to be placed there unknown to us. ~~The passengers did~~ all in their power to amuse ~~the~~ ~~[illegible]~~ guests ~~playing cribbage card marking themselves~~ to ~~[illegible]~~ whom I acted as interpreter to more than ~~for~~ twenty five persons. For the time being I felt myself a very important personage. We amused ourselves till dinner time playing cribbage and I was curious to remark the various ~~[illegible]~~ means the passengers resorted to in order to make themselves understood to the two Spanish gentlemen during the game to which the just a thousand questions. About 4 o'clock it presenting the appearance of a squall ~~the~~ our visitors were served to the Maria and the boatsies ~~were~~ brought back. ~~The~~ Our Captain did not forget to inspect the ~~[illegible]~~ forward of the Spanish Captain. He ~~had~~ chose, mackerel, hams, pickles & oysters and ~~[illegible]~~ put & placed in the bottom boat upon its last trip which the Spaniards no doubt relish as much as we ~~[illegible]~~ these wine. ~~[illegible]~~ Hist. ~~[illegible]~~ the business relative to the lost mediately upon parting with the Captain yesterday. ~~[illegible]~~ the day ~~[illegible]~~ been perfectly calm. The morning we caught a large shark which was hauled on board and ripped up the main hatch. At 8 P.M. this evening, he was in the distinguished on the morning first man eye or a lock and another of the ~~[illegible]~~ had other tail. This fish are mild

Helmary 9th 1849 Saturday

Latitude 0° 11 N Longitude 24° 58' W

The Sea to day is almost perfectly calm nearly as smooth as a mirror and so it has been for the week past. As a natural consequence we have made little or no progress, there being at times scarcely a breath of air stirring. We hope to reach the Equator in the course of a day or two called Line time this afternoon. It was formerly the universal custom to christen all those who crossed the line for the first time. This manner of initiating landsmen or lubbers as they are familiarly called in Seamen's language is very seldom resorted to now a days having passed like many time honored customs into oblivion. The intention of the passengers was to have given old Neptune a worthy reception but the week has been such an eventful one interesting from day to day we have had very little time to make the necessary preparatory for celebrating him. This however shall not prevent us from standing at the gangway to give him a loud hurrah as he rises from amidst the foam of the Sea and shake his hoary locks before stepping foot on the quarter deck. Probably he will demand the pass-ports of all those aboard. With those who have not the necessary documents he will reason being a pretty generous kind of a fellow in this enlightened age of compromise the matter either in the way of a fine or a flogging. It would afford me infinite pleasure to recount to you the various incidents of the week had I an opportunity, but I must needs postpone them to some future time. A vessel in sight is now bearing down upon us. In the course of an hour or so we may hope to speak her. Should she may be bound to some port in the United States that I may have an opportunity of communicating with you and my dear friends once more. How solicitous my mother must feel for me. I doubt not she offers up many a prayer for the protection and safe return of her absent son but none more fervent than those which emanate from your inmost souls!

Pardon me for thus openly expressing the sentiments of my own heart. Should I flatter myself you think of me sometimes - you have often. How frequently do my thoughts wander home and to you dear Emma. Reclining in a hammock, rocked to and fro by the billows of the mighty deep with my eyes fixed upon the bright moon wending its way through the ethereal canopy of Heaven I console myself with the belief that possibly you may be gazing upon the same object sharing with me my griefs. This you will say is a mixture of romance and poetry. It may be so but now the lip time. Kindred hearts you know love to sympathize. I wonder if ever again we shall be permitted to mingle our happiness. Heaven grant we may. You know I always is fondest

continuation of Mr. Hall's Journal

The back line is taking in the water of the vessel to be pumped at some future day into a washing Dr. &c.

In the afternoon about 5 O Clock we took a round around the vessel in general long after which it was stationed off at a distance of some thirty or forty fathom between the space some about twenty of the passengers indulged in the luxury of bathing. I cannot describe to you what my feelings were at this instance of only from home in the middle of the Atlantic undisturbed by any thing except the intimacy of the Captain to stop at sea. It is the intention of the Captain to stop at the island of St Catherines for the purpose of taking in water and repairing a leak which in the hurry of leaving New York was overlooked. It is nothing of a serious nature. We might go on and reach the Horn in perfect safety but then it is not advisable when we can secure safety by run in to a port. I commenced this letter last evening. I shall add to it from time to time until an opportunity presents itself of sending it by some vessel bound to the United States. On the 14th in Lat 31.11 Long 37.0 I received a few lines which I hope you have received as you must have from Canton bound to Sweden which I hope you have received as you must doubtless have felt considerable anxiety upon my account. The weather for the first week after leaving New York was very unpleasant a portion of our deck load being carried away. We were obliging most of the time under double reefed topsails and for more than 48 hours obliged to lay to the same in a high connected along with such force and have spread disasters to the shipping upon the coast.

The northern star is not longer visible while the Southern Cross is rising. The Magellan Clouds are all fast setting thundering to view. When we have reached the 4th or 5th degree of latitude South of the Equator we shall be able to see the Magellan Clouds and the Southern Cross.

my pleasure and now that I am deprived of it I feel almost disconsolate. Can I forget you? No, Anna, never. We have made too vivid an impression upon me. Your graceful form ever presents itself to my mind. Indeed the only really pleasant hours I pass are those spent in thinking of you. Sometimes my imagination carries me to far as to fancy I hear your sweet prattling voice asking some insignificant question as you were wont to do. I turn to reply when suddenly the vision vanishes leaving me to the reality of the sand. These are no empty words dear Anna, ~~but each and every one of them~~ ~~the effusion of a sincere heart which beats only for you~~ but each and every one of them is intended to convey the exact meaning which it expresses. They are the effusions of a sincere heart that beats only for you. One thing alone makes me feel very unhappy. It is the uncertainty regarding our fate. Sometimes I am wicked enough, I must confess it though it pains you pain, to wish I had never seen you but the thought is always succeeded by some pleasing reminiscence which recalls you and all your actions to my mind as vividly as ever. We may possibly never be bound by the holy ties of matrimony but that you will ever find in me a true and sincere friend. More than this I ~~cannot consistently~~ promise. We well know our present circumstances and the sentiment by which I am actuated. I have defined all clearly to you. Would it not be downright folly for two beings situated as we are to think of forming an attachment for life whereby both of us would be rendered miserable? The old proverb, rather selfish of itself, says that "it is easier to feed one mouth than two". I approve of the principle that a man ought to be able to maintain a wife before he marries one. What my future circumstances may be I cannot tell. My prospects, it is true, are bright. I am embarked upon a long voyage to a remote part of our country where vast quantities of gold may be obtained it is said for the mere trouble of digging. I place some but not full reliance in this report. What truth there is really in it is yet to be seen. But I have not left home in an uncertainty. Time and distance must necessarily separate us for a long period. Years may elapse before I shall again ~~enjoy my native city~~ have the pleasure of seeing my native city and the companions of my youth. The very thought makes me weep. Perhaps I may never again be permitted to return. I must however the time will not be prolonged beyond three years which seems only a little while to look back upon but an eternity to look forward to. Our attachment is of a short and rapid growth. Whether it will withstand the shock

separation of three years cannot be foretold. Surely it ought to be equal to the probation of love we have mutually made. Engagements are foolish and rash particularly when the parties are to be separated for a long time. This I told you upon starting and put the question directly to you whether you answered "I rather think there should be no engagement between us either expressed or understood." This is as it should be and just as I wish it. First love is said to be most lasting. I am inclined to believe so but you are young and have arrived at that ~~age~~ particular age when a girl's mind is very unsettled. That you love me now dear Anna and with all the sincerity of heart that a creature is capable of loving I doubt not. But perhaps you may in my absence, not that I think you capable of the least inconstancy, become acquainted with some one more worthy of your affection. To this I shall not object. We must not attribute this ~~what I say~~ to ~~coldness~~ indifference I say so merely to caution you that I would not knowingly commit myself to a woman who loved another man better than she did me. It is a matter of perfect indifference to me whether I marry a fortune provided I have a sufficiency of my own. I would sooner commit myself to a poor girl well educated and instructed in all that ~~which~~ adorns a woman than a fashionable young lady of the present day. I hope your mother will keep you at Miss Ferris at least a year longer. During this time you must study hard and endeavour to learn all you can. ~~Make yourself~~ Acquaint ~~ed~~ yourself with every branch that should ~~form~~ constitute part of the education of a young lady both in literature and house keeping for I tell you very much depends upon how I find you improved in these things when I return. I am ~~will not~~ ~~proud of~~ ~~rather~~ the promise I made you as soon as it lies in my future. ~~This I intend performing~~ ~~what~~ This much interested ~~in you~~ ~~and~~ I will ~~[illegible]~~ never give you a more convincing proof of ~~an~~ attachment. I would like to see you a well educated woman and that you may become such there is no doubt. We are naturally endowed with a good intellect and possess a very retentive memory. We have only to encourage and foster the gifts which God has given you and there is no question ~~little doubt~~ but that you will become all that ~~you~~ I desire. I am demanding a great deal, but not more than I believe you are capable of performing — What other motives ~~other~~ than amiability, ~~and~~ ~~which~~ you certainly possess, such a refined education do you suppose could induce me to

in your ~~[illegible]~~ left you indifferent or ~~[illegible]~~ upon it

marry a ~~[illegible]~~ girl!!! Study then, study for me whom you ~~have promised and there is little fear but what~~ love and have promised and there is little doubt but that you will in time realize the most ardent desire of your heart. I ~~can~~ never revert to our parting except with feelings of regret. How could I part with the sight of your tears ~~and~~ without being moved to weep myself. The ~~[illegible]~~ heart must ~~be made of stone~~ surely have become for the moment ~~[illegible]~~ callous. It is true I ~~[illegible]~~ endeavoured to prepare you for the separation just as ~~[illegible]~~ ~~you it would be so easy at the time. Really thinking as I thought would have been the case~~ it took place but then I had no idea it would be so after to bid leave of my mother in the manner in which I did. That was the first time I ever wept ~~upon parting with a dead friend~~ ~~in~~ my life from sympathy. I little thought that the fountain which had remained ~~[illegible]~~ to flow would so soon be dried up ~~before ever before I had taken leave of you~~. ~~You may have thought me cold and indifferent.~~ If ever I ~~[illegible]~~ desired to ~~[illegible]~~ shed tears it was when I took leave of you dear [illegible]. ~~I would have given all I possess but they were~~ however unwillingly restrained till after I left the house and felt the reality of ~~[illegible]~~ ~~it had~~ leaving ~~[illegible]~~ you for perhaps for the last time. ~~I hope you do not attribute my apparent coldness to me upon the [illegible] it would be [illegible] suffering in the manner in which I did.~~ My departure was necessarily ~~[illegible]~~ a hurried one and upon this account alone am I ~~[illegible]~~ excusable. I could not possibly have repressed another moment with giving. I ~~got~~ arrived on board of the Sultan just as ~~[illegible]~~ she was about leaving the wharf though she was, owing to the non arrival of Mr. [illegible], detained till half past twelve. You must therefore not attribute either coldness or indifference to me. It would be cruel if you were and ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ only make me feel very unhappy. ~~Again [illegible] [illegible]~~

~~February~~ 10 Again have I been disappointed in not having any letter. The vessel we saw yesterday ~~[illegible]~~ was the English ship ~~the~~ Wallace 90 days from [illegible] bound to Liverpool with a cargo of twelve hundred tons of [illegible]. About 4 O'clock in the afternoon we were nearly becalmed ~~in the afternoon~~ proposed to the Captain ~~that we should~~ to take a row to ~~her~~. ~~Accordingly a boat was lowered the ship which~~ [illegible] Johnny Boyle who was within a distance of three ~~or four~~ miles. Accordingly a boat was lowered

many a ~~[illegible]~~ girl! Study then, Study for me when you ~~[illegible]~~ promised and there is little ~~[illegible]~~ but what love and have promised and there is little doubt — but that you will realize the most ardent desire of your heart. I can never repent to on pouring upon it with pearls of regret. How could I part by withdrawal of your tear ~~and~~ without being moved to weep my self. The ~~[illegible]~~ must be ~~[illegible]~~ have become for the moment ~~[illegible]~~ Oblong. It ~~[illegible]~~ endeavored to prepare me for the separation just as they ~~[illegible]~~ you would be so cast of the time Reading ~~[illegible]~~ I thought would have been the case if took place but then I had no idea it would be so after to bid leave of my mother in the manner in which I did. That was the first time I ever wept ~~upon parting with a dear friend~~ in my life from sympathy. I little thought that the fountain which had commenced ~~[illegible]~~ would so soon be dried up ~~[illegible]~~ ever before I had taken ~~[illegible]~~ leave of you. You may have thought me cold and indifferent. If ever I ~~[illegible]~~ appeared to ~~[illegible]~~ it was when I took leave of you dear ones. I would have given all I possess for one hour more but they were unwilling to extend it till after I left the house and then I felt the reality of it had parting with you for perhaps for the last time. ~~[illegible]~~ My departure was a sudden one and upon this account alone am I called ~~[illegible]~~ upon to embark — possibly have separated at the moment — with you. I arrived on board of the Sutter ~~[illegible]~~ as she was about leaving the wharf though she was, owing to the non arrival of Mr. Hunter, detained till half past twelve. You must not — a minute or two cut short or indifference to me. It would be cruel if you were and ~~[illegible]~~ only make me feel very unhappy. ~~[illegible]~~

February 10 Again have I been disappointed in hearing any a letter. The vessel we said yesterday would be the English ship Wallace 90 days from China bound to Liverpool with a cargo of twelve hundred Coolies. About 4 O'Clock in the afternoon the wind nearly became calm and we were compelled to take a row to the ~~[illegible]~~ in Johny Bull who ~~[illegible]~~ was distant about three miles. Accordingly a boat was lowered

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and manned entirely by passengers. The English captain treated us very hospitably and entertained us for more than an hour. We learn a jolly lot of boys returning to the States. Our captain has been induced from what the Englishman told him to ~~change~~ go in to San Salvador ~~[illegible]~~ instead of St Catherines. I wish he would determine to ~~go~~ stop at Rio Janeiro the seat of the Brazilian empire. ~~It is the only city upon the coast I desire particularly to see.~~

~~On the 14th January in Latitude 31. N. & Long 37 W. we spoke the English Ship Grecian 120 days~~ I sent you a few hurried lines by the English Ship Grecian 120 days from Canton bound to London which I hope you have received as you must have felt a deep anxiety for my [illegible] [illegible] after [illegible]. Cape Horn was very tempestuous. We were sailing most of the time under close reefed topsails, and for more than 48 hours obliged to lay to. The same wind which carried us along with such fury [illegible] [illegible] the coast.

I make the following extracts from my Journal:

~~Sunday~~ ~~January~~ Feb 18. This

February 22. This is the last opportunity I shall have to write in this letter except to add a few postscript lines. I wish you to read once attentively what I have written and consider it well. I require nothing in answer or the least reference to it except what your own feelings may dictate. Write to me as soon after the receipt of this as convenient and give me all the information you think [illegible]. Tell me of your hopes, and fears. In a word write me all your pleasures and tell me of all your actions. They will all be interesting to me. [illegible] your thoughts and tell me of [illegible] your studies and how you pass your [illegible]. Let me know how ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] [illegible] your [illegible] [illegible] feelings. Do not allow the length of my letter [illegible] your [illegible]. They must not be [illegible]. I have as yet made no reference to your mother and sister [illegible] as well as to you. [illegible] in the least offended. This letter is to them [illegible]. I think of Amelia often [illegible] the old [illegible] for you [illegible] old fashioned [illegible] by way of a change. [illegible] I sometimes [illegible] that we might [illegible] red girl and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] upon [illegible] faith and truth [illegible] a kiss upon her [illegible] the locket which tells [illegible] [illegible] I have placed it in place of [illegible]. Forget [illegible] [illegible] in absence [illegible] speak [illegible] and therefore I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Amelia [illegible] used to [illegible]. I wish you to present my kindest [illegible] to your mother [illegible] Amelia [illegible]. Remember me kindly [illegible] affection. Adieu [illegible] and be assured of a continuance of my love [illegible] [illegible]. Farewell, dear Amelia [illegible] your letter [illegible] California [illegible]. May God protect [illegible] grant we may meet again [illegible] a few [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] sent by some homeward bound vessel.

Your [illegible] Albert [illegible]