

but a man stands no show here, guilty or not guilty he has to suffer punishment: especially if he be a marine. Sailors actually caught asleep on lookout are punished with 2 hrs extra duty. a marine for being suspected of sleeping on a most unimportant post gets 5 days double iron and bread and water.

May 25<sup>th</sup> Flying fish flew on board.

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Means stationed for boats this out to have been done long ago, as also details made for fire quarters, but our officers differ from my opinion.

June 9<sup>th</sup> Summary Court martial in session for disrating of Seamen.

June 14<sup>th</sup> We struck aback at 4. a.m. and changed to port tack.

June 21<sup>st</sup> Scrubbed hammocks.

June 24<sup>th</sup> Squally running under close reefed topsails.

June 26<sup>th</sup> At 4. a.m. a light and land reported, one of the lights is a revolving light, about ship furl'd all sail and got up steam, at 1.15 P.m. dropped anchor in Table bay Cape town, received mail on board at 1.30 P.m. the ship was crowded with Cape town runners who try to get the washing of clothes bumboating etc. all have recommen-

dations from american ships of war. The Benicia left here for Singapore the day before yesterday, she had been in Simons town.

June 27<sup>th</sup> Crossed royal and topgallant yards. Saluted the english flag with 21 guns, and were answered by the fort at 11. a.m. at 11.30. a.m. the american consul came on board and received a salute of 7 guns. commenced coaling ship.

June 28<sup>th</sup> Coaling and provisioning ship, quarter deck guard on, a happy idea indeed, to keep a quarter deck guard on while the ship is black all over with coal dust for the sake of saluting our own commander in leaving the ship and on coming on board.

June 30<sup>th</sup> Money send out and liberty given to the ships company, our master at arms James Crowat sent ashore to day, after having been forced to send in his resignation. Corp Kelly detached from the guard and made acting master at arms. Colorado arrived in Simons bay, she has been in Rio de Janeiro.

July 7<sup>th</sup> Capt Wiene had some words with the marine officer, and was reduced to the ranks as a private.