

April 16th 1850

we are in Lat 29.40. N. Long. 117. 40. W. with a
light Breeze a steering N. N. E. a bout 180 miles
from San Diego & 75 from land below that place
we now have ben out 27 days from Cape St Lucas
& have not got only five hundred miles on our
journey the old fool ran out to sea to get a
trade winds from the west but as it hapend
we did not get any this morning too of our
passengers had a hard fite a bout there
Breakfast & one or the other would
kill if not parted. but Tyler & Tibble
Forchields & my self have got so far with
any trouble with any one. but we are
are mity hungry now I would be
at home and get one good meal this
noon. we shall see land to morrow.

May 8 San Diego May 8/18
Mr Allen sir

There has ben some
in life and way of traveling since
vate. we made land the 17 the
miles be low this place St
Georgian Island we got in
shore and let go ancon and
went a shore to the wind bl
hard we had now provisions
nor wood Tyler Tibble Forch
self & sis others went a

I will write again the first
opportunity

left some of my close on the boat
& some sold. & the rest done the same
our tent has not done us much good for
there is not timber enough there the country
where we traveled to get poles long enough
to pitch it there was about half of the
passengers left the Boat the most of them
have got here it was mighty hard [&] ~~trailing~~ ^{sub} ~~trailing~~
over mountains and carrying water enough
to last 40 miles in some places. some
that had only one blanket with them
had to pay twenty five cents to get a
dry cow hide to sleep on out doors at that
if we got a meal of vituals it cost from
50 cts to one Dollar & nothing but beef &
Beans corn cakes & Beef one shilling per
pound we were 14 days a coming from
San Rogier that is the place we started
from. it looks doubtful a boat getting
a boat here for San Francisco there is a man
a going there to Sacramento with sixty
mules if we can get him to take us we
shall go with him if we dont I shall
write again I cant give you any description
of the country for I havnt time
please excuse all mistakes C. K. Bishop
P S Mr Allen if you can make any thing
out of this do so & if not do what you like
I shall write to my wife a few lines when you get
them with this send it to her if you please & oblige me

No. 10

The Boat with the clerk with our axes to chop wood after we got a shore we went ten miles before we came to a house we got there & got some beef corn cakes and milk the best meal we ever eat. The next morning the clerk sent two beefs and 20 gallons of water to the boat for 170 souls that would be a small drink a piece he had to give five Dollars for carrying the water over the mountains to the Boat we went to chopping small poles in to wood we chapt four days and quit for he had more than he could get carried to the boat in a month he hired a merrican to carry to the boat for five Dollars a mule load. about as much as a man could carry at two arms full that would a boat three cents a pound for wood besides chopping & board we passengers began to think she never would to san francisco we got the clerk to give us 75 Dollars each as far as his means would let him Idger Dible Harshilds my self & Mr Cooper & Gibson from Cincinnati bought a horse and pack our tent & blankets & robes & started for this place