

little while hunting on deck then sat in the saloon with just longed for
ship down I read some scenes in the Penitentiary about to them the other
formed for an hour on deck some down to supper some to the better for
the evening
Friday 24 My beloved sisters birthday this day last year I was with the
was with me in company the children also, she'd never went to her home
for a year this this is Phosphoric morning I had turned out early
to say Good morning first there was much laughing. The ladies all
sat at work in the saloon for the ship was going fast & it rolled very
much. The young ladies were talking & small birds brought out a certain
pattern from which I devised a party talking & laughing & they
let to & ready several which are really very nice I saw that two
the on deck & walked up & down for exercise the night was lovely
the moon full & Jupiter looking so bright & the Southern Cross also
the group of people danced again to night as the steamer was off that
who played the violin

Saturday 25 We worked for the whole day & then after dinner went
on deck but the ship rolled much & it was with a difficulty we could
do any thing Just as we went to tea a heavy swell & change of time
came on our moment & one sail was torn away the sailors made
such a noise that they frightened us all dreadfully we could not

see one better I had to take our guns & sit against the wall on the deck
the beam came with some heavy wet to us & the gentlemen all were
to them as after about two hours it ceased At dinner time Mr. Sellers
not his party & all our mistakes however & he gave such a jump there
the rain soaked the glass of water which fell & went on Miss Carter
dinner & made her feel so uncomfortable so short there were some
accidents & much laughing but at tea it became more serious
& before we had finished the gale blew through & some of our sails
went overboard & others split we were dreadfully alarmed for
the vessel was taken by suddenly that she was blown back for
some time but thanks to a Godsend, God & our gallant ship
came up but the ~~captain~~ who's appointed made an awful
noise to hear with the state of the ship alarmed us much
more All the ladies looked to me & when they saw my face
though I tried to be quiet & useful they all took fright
got all kept clinging to me Miss was not at all frightened & behaved
most courageously but we were all placed on the ground & some how
than the gentleman came to the rescue When that ship was set to rights
the Capt. came down & gave me some toddy which I doubtless
was much the better of Poor Mr. Bower who had been trying to