

AUGUST, 1915.

Wednesday 25

We were disappointed in not getting leave to-day. Some stayed over last night, so no leave granted to-day. Been on deck fatigued all day. Coaling operations still going on. Mashed timber now all night long. Rain still continues.

Thursday 26

Sailed from Albany at 8 a.m. Sea very rough outside. Worst I have seen it yet. Our ship is a terror to roll. Sometimes she seems as though she was going right over. Impossible to stand on deck without support. Fine sight to see waves breaking on rocks. Land almost out of sight at dusk.

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Friday 27

Another stormy day. Sea very high. Several accidents to-day owing to chaps slipping. One man broke his leg, another one his nose. Spray comes over boat deck. We stayed below all the afternoon. Appleger even out to-day.

Saturday 28

Still rough. Tofua almost out of sight. Our ship put back to sea if all was well; met her and turned round again. Our propellers have been racing a lot to-day. No dull sight. Life on board is getting very monotonous. Shipped a seal through our hatch which had been left open. Washing day. Signed for pay to-day.