

At Sea Ship Herald from Hong Kong bound
Saturday Aug 6th 1853

This day light Easterly winds and pleasant
weather. Employed repairing sails and rigging
at 8 A.M. tack to the South head E S E.
Ends the same Lat 29.10 Long 126. 11 Bar 28.40

Sunday Aug 7th 10th day

Thursday Commenced with light Easterly winds
and pleasant weather. Mid night wind hauled
West increased to a gale. Steaming E. S. E. Day
in with light Westerly gale with heavy rain.
Carrying whole Topsails. No Obs Bar 28.80

Monday Aug 8th 11th day

Came with a heavy gale from W S W
with heavy rain at 4 P.M. Shortened sail
and hove to on the Starboard tack. Mid night
wind hauled S E. Light breeze. at 4 A.M.
made the N.W. point of Great Fish Bay
bearing S E. Day ends with light winds and
fair weather. 12th day out Barom 28.25

Tuesday Aug 9th

Commenced with light Easterly winds and
fair weather. Mid night strong breeze from
N.E. head South East. at 4 A.M. heavy gale
hauled all. but close reefed Mizzen Top sail and
Storm Staysail. thick weather with rain.

No Obs. Barometer 28.10 13th

Wednesday Aug 10th

Commenced with a gale from East with
heavy squalls at 4 P.M. made Breaker Island
bearing South W at 8 P.M. wore ship to the off.
at daylight. more moderate set close reefed main
Top sail at 10 A.M. wind increased to a Hurricane
blew away the blue of a new main Top sail and
blew away the red of the yard furl all sail but
Staysail and main shrouse a very high sea
running ship considerable water. 14th day

No Obs Barom 28.00

for Strongs Island Charles J. Perry Master

Thursday Aug 11th

Still continuing to blow from the E. Still under
Short sail. at 8 A.M. made 3 Islands. Supposed to
be Onisso group at 9 leave S E. by E. & Feagues Is
at 11 A.M. more moderate set Mizzen Top sail
and repaired Main do. Ends with strong gale
and cloudy Lat by Obs 29.24 Long 128.37 Bar 28.
15th day out

Friday August 12th

Light gale until 6 P.M. came blowing hard tack
in Mizzen Top sail. at 8 P.M. General Surge on water
of Porotany died from the Effects of a fall from
the Mizzen Top sail yard Buried him at 5 A.M.
heavy hail all night with heavy rain Day
ends with the same Lat 30.03 Long 129.00 Bar 28.
16th day

Saturday Aug 13th

Commenced with a strong gale with heavy rain
lying to under Short sail until 8 A.M. Copt of
East made a Island and hove to cleared up for
a few minutes. Same on way clear and Copt
of again. No Obs Barometer 28.90 17th day

Sunday Aug 14th

Still a heavy gale from W S W. Steaming
East. at 4 P.M. made the Island of Takuanian
Straight ahead. left on Starboard tack to S W.
at 2 P.M. made the Is of Julia run close under
the lee and hove to lay by all night. at 5 A.M.
Copt of S E. weather moderate. made all
sail no land in sight. Lat 30.20. Long 131.55

18th day Barom 28.10

Monday Aug 15th

Came with a strong breeze from the finished repair
fore sail and bent it. Latter part Mainmast repaired
Clearing out between Decks.

Lat 28.10 Long 132.30 Barometer 28.15

19th day