

Shipboard Journal

Sunday

April 30th 1897

These 24 hours light & clear weather steering from N. E. to N. W. by N. All watches employed taring down rigging & at 1 P.M. made the land (the coast of Peru) saw finbacks porpoises sun fish cow fish and grampuses at meridian lowered y-boats for blackfish at meridian the land in sight Dist by Est 35 miles

Sat by Obs 21° 00' South

Monday

April 1st 1897

Begins with light southerly air and clear weather P.M. killed 2 blackfish and took them to the ship and caught a large sun fish courses from N. E. to N. W. by N. Latter part made the same as the first at meridian the land in sight Dist by Est 30 miles

Sat 20° 30' South

Tuesday

May 2nd

These 24 hours light baffling winds and clear weather steering N. W. by W. at 7 A.M. spoke with the Ship Virginia late master of and from L. Bedford but 400 lbs finished taring down rigging saw finbacks and sunfish at noon this day

Sat by Obs 20° 01' S

The coast in sight Dist by Estimation 40 miles



Cruising in the Coast of

Wednesday

May 3rd 1897

Steady S. E. trades and cloudy steering from N. W. to W. by N. P.M. rolled out our blackfish & sun fish lines. All watches employed scraping and blacking iron work saw finbacks thumpbacks salt water bottom sunfish and swordfish

Sat 19° 04' South

Thursday

May 4th

Moderate trades and cloudy steering from N. W. to N. E. saw a small schooner and a small smelter craft saw swordfish finbacks sunfish and sea turtle the coast and the Andes further back plain in sight the summit of the mountains capd with snow which give them a fine appearance

Sat by Obs 18° 27' S

Friday

5th of May

These 24 hours moderate trades and cloudy steering from N. to N. W. caught a sea turtle & a ship jack saw a ship to the westward of us at meridian the coast in sight Dist by Estimation 70 miles

Sat Obs 17° 28' S

Saturday

the 6th of May

These 24 hours fresh trades and clear steering from N. by E. to N. W. saw blackfish and thumpbacks on the deck at meridian Dist 20 miles by Estimation

Sunday

the 7th of May 1897

