

Bound to the Bechotts Sea

1865

Thursday April 20th 1865

Begins with a moderate breeze from N.E. with pleasant weather ship head N.W. by N. with all sail set Middle part ship head N.W. by N. last part fresh breeze from S.W. by S. ship head N.W. by N. with all sail set Richard Bainbridge still of duty saw nothing

Lat. by obs. 2-13 N.

Long = Chron 170-01 E

Friday April 21st

Begins with a fresh breeze from N.E. by E. ship head N.W. by N. with all sail set Middle part squally last part strong trades from N.E. with heavy squalls ship with all sail set steering N.W. by N. employed about 10 miles nothing Bainbridge still of duty

Lat. by obs. 4-36 N.

Long = Chron 168-57 E

Saturday April 22nd

Begins with a strong trade from N.E. with squally weather steering N.W. by N. at 4 P.M. sail lowers Islands bearing 4 dist 10 miles ship steering N.W. by N. Middle part wind from E.S.E. with squalls of rain last part the same at 6 P.M. saw Baring Island bearing E.N.E. dist about 10 miles steered N.W. by N. saw nothing more Bainbridge of duty

Lat. by obs. 5-25 N.

Long, obs. 168-24 E

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Sunday April 23rd

Begins with a heavy rain squall from N.E. ship steering N.W. by N. with all sail set Middle part wind from S to S.W. and squally last part a strong wind from N.E. with heavy rain took in the light sails nothing in sight Bainbridge of duty

Lat. by obs. 7-00 N.

Long, obs. 167-40 E

Monday April 24th

Begins with a strong breeze from N.E. with thick rainey weather ship with prudent sail set steering N.W. by N. at 4 P.M. steered N.W. Middle part much the same last part more pleasant but passing squalls at 5 P.M. saw Prince of Wales Gulf bearing N.E. by E. dist 8 miles Richard Bainbridge still of duty

Lat. by obs. 9-31 N.

Long = Chron 164-40 E

Tuesday April 25th

Begins with a strong breeze from N.E. with thick rainey weather steering N.W. by N. with all prudent sail set at 4 P.M. took in light sails at 5 doubled reefed the top sails steered N.W. by N. Middle part the same last part more pleasant at 5 P.M. let out the reefs set fly jib and main top gallant sail saw nothing Bainbridge still of duty with Rhinoceros

Lat. by obs. 11-32 N.

Long = Chron 162-58 E