

Bark John A. Robb, Cruising in New Holland

Wednesday Oct 13th 1855

This day comes in with strong breezes from South, the Bark on the Eastern Tack. Middle & latter part more moderate. Saw four backs & four up backs but did not lower for them it was so rough. Antine is getting some better.

Thursday Oct 14th

all this day fresh breezes from South, the Bark standing to the Westward, under double reef. Saw nothing but a couple of fin backs which were going quick to windward. Antine is getting better quite fast.

Lat 25.28 Long 111.16 E

Friday Oct 15th

Comes in with fresh breeze from South the Bark steering to the Westward by the wind. Saw two fin backs. the sick man about the same, and with fresh breezes.

Saturday Oct 16th

These twenty four hours strong breeze from S.E. the Bark standing to the Westward by the wind. Saw nothing. Latter part steering off S.W.

Lat 23.42 Long 109.30 E

Sunday Oct 17th

all this day fresh breezes from S.E. the Bark steering to the Westward at sunset shifted to the wind heading to the Eastward, at daylight steered off N.E. saw nothing of any consequence. the sick man improving rapidly.

Lat 24.15 Long 108.00 E

Monday Oct 18th

Comes in with strong breezes from South the Bark steering to the Westward. Middle & latter part much the same. Saw nothing.

Lat 27.35 Long 113.29 E

Tuesday Oct 19th

all this day fine weather and fresh breezes the Bark on the Eastern Tack. Steering off some at 1 P.M. Saw the land at 4 P.M. Cape bearing about E by S. Latter part steering S.E. Saw four backs.

Lat 20.00 Long 114.45 E

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Wednesday Oct 20th 1855

Comes in with fresh breeze from S.E. the Bark standing to the Eastward middle part moderate. Latter part, strong breeze from East, at 9 P.M. Wore Ship to the S.E. saw nothing of any consequence. the sick man is improving. Lat 17.35 Long 113.11 E

Thursday Oct 21st

This day comes in with fresh trades, the Bark standing to the Southward by the wind under double reefed topsails at sunset wore ship and turned out the reef. Middle part quite moderate, and with fresh breeze from S.E. saw nothing. So ends the first year of our weary pilgrimage.

Lat 19.24 Long 115.29 E

Friday Oct 22^d

Comes in with strong breezes from S.E. the Bark standing to the Southward. Middle & latter part much the same. Saw nothing. Employed making mats for main stay, & several other jobs.

Lat 18.53 Long 116.21 E

Saturday Oct 23^d

all this day fine weather and light breeze from S.E. the Bark standing to the S.E. by the wind. Saw nothing. Employed to work making mats & sundry other jobs.

Lat 19.10 Long 117.03 E

Sunday Oct 24th

This day comes in with fine weather and moderate breezes from South the Bark steering S.E. Latter part saw four backs & lowered for them but could not get to them. Saw plenty of porpoises and other small fry.

Lat 18.24 Long 117.45 E

Monday Oct 25th

Comes in with fine weather and light breezes from South the Bark steering by the wind to the Eastward. Middle and latter part much the same. Saw nothing but 1 school of Blackfish. lowered for them but they were too cunning for us. got near enough to let two or three times but they were too spry for us.

Lat 16.38 Long 117.39 E