

Ship Daniel Hood in Ochotik Sea 1853. Cruising

July

Tuesday 19 Fine from w.s.w. course E. by S saw a great number of California Greys. land bearing S.S.W. set up 3 Poles and shifted Broad from top wings. Scraping Bone. &c &c

Wednesday 20 Fine winds from w.s.w. steering by on cliff tack 2 P.M. took in light sails. double reefed. handed fit & Main. stowed Bone below. 10 P.M. close reefed No. Tops. pulled Fore S

Thurs 21 Strong from S.S.W. 1 P.M. set Fore & Main Tops. 10 set the Jib. laying off and on the land. 7 mos out.

Frid 22 Strong and clear from S.S.W. laying off and on the land. saw 2 Bow-Heads. double reefed. land bearing N.E. saw villages ashore. A.M. ditto. Peter. from Jank

Satur 23 Thick from S under double reefs. fit & Main set 8 A.M. spoke the Ben Tucker. Sails 450 this season. Empire in sight. Land bearing East S

Sunday 24 Strong winds and clear from N.N.E. under double reefed Main Topsail and Fore sail. 4 P.M. the Pacific of M. B. Allen. 14 whales this season. by Jemima. drifted down within 3 ships length of us. but that her she stood off on the other tack and did not speak us. so I shall not see the to night. A.M. clear. stood in for the land. 10 sent 3 Boats in shore. saw nothing. 12 spoke the Ocmulgee. Cattle. M.B. 900 this season. I should like to speak the F. but the Jutes say No.

Mon 25 Thick and Foggy. land bears E. 15 miles

Tues 26 Clear, calm weather. sent 3 Boats in shore. saw four Bowheads. got within 5 miles of them. 6 P.M. a welcome boat from the P.H.C. S.F. S.C. came aboard. had a nice game. course N.N.E.

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Wednesday 27 Thick. Foggy. Rainy weather course N.N.E. went aboard of the Pacific and had a glorious game. A.M. Strong from S under double reefs. laying off and on the land. saw Bowheads. rough.

Thursday 28 Fine weather and strong winds from S.W. 3 P.M. lowered 3 Boats and went in. saw several Bowheads. could not get on. Turn off and spoke the 15 Boats. and we all went ashore and rusticated a little. There were five huts and about a dozen Esquimaux. got a Dog ashore. 7 came aboard. saw whales. The P 2 miles on the quarter. heading to West id. A.M. Strong from S.W. laying off and on. 11 A.M. raised Chum 5 miles to leeward. run down and spoke him. had a glorious game with Chum set

Friday 29 Fresh from W. 3 P.M. close reefed. 9 made all sail. the P close by to leeward. A.M. ditto off and on. land to W. the other side of Gulf.

Saturday 30 Strong from w.s.w. thick foggy weather. under close reefs. 40 fathoms water. C for a chardas mee mo

Sunday 31 Strong from S.W. with Rain. Rain. Rain. under double reefs. laying off and on. Our Chum 1/2 mile on weather beam. We have been in this Gulf 4 days. a continual gale of wind with Rain and Fog. Rain. Rain. as usual.

Monday 1 Thick. Foggy and Strong from S.W. under double reefs. A.M. Clear. light from S.E. by S.S.W.

Tuesday 2 Fine clear weather. a glorious day. 4 P.M. lowered for Bowheads. did not strike. 2 sails in sight. A.M. stood in for land. sent 3 Boats in. saw nothing. 10 came aboard. stood out with P. chasing whales.