

Ship Daniel Wood. cruising.

1856

Friday February 1st

Commenced with light winds and a heavy swell from N.W. by the wind to S.E. under single reef. J and M. The Saratoga in sight. A.M. do. P.M. Help and seaweed The Saratoga in sight.

Lat 37.55 S. Long 179.14 West.

Saturday 2.

Strong heaves and rugged weather from N.W. by the wind to N.S.W. under 2 Reef J and Mainsail. 3 h. hauled J & M. The Lin sight. pass many pieces of Hells. 9 h. furled the Fore Topsail. A.M. 6 h. set it again strong at N.W. by to S.W. The Saratoga in sight.

Lat 38.23 S. Long 179.59 East

Crossed the Meridian.

Sunday 3 Monday 4

Commenced with strong winds at N.W. by the wind to S.W. under 2 Reefed Main and Mizzen Tails and Foresail. M. Spencer. The Lin sight. hauled Fore and Miz Tails. A.M. set them. Strong at N.W. by to S.E. nothing in sight.

Lat 39.46 S. Long 176.58 E.

Tuesday 5

Fresh at S.W. with Rain Squalls. by the wind to S.E. under 2 Reef. J and Mainsail 1 h. saw a sail on weather beam. Light wind. A.M. furled J and Miz Tails and Foresail close reefed Main. Lying to under storm sails Rainy. wore ship. heading N.W.

Wednesday 6

Lying to in a Gale from S.W. under storm sails. wore ship to S.E. A.M. moderating set Foresail, and 2 Reefed Tails. Rainy Rainy

Lat 40.00 S. Long 177.25 West

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Thursday 7. February

Fresh at S.W. by the wind to S.S.E. under 2 Reef and Foresail. A very heavy swell from S.E. A.M. fresh at N.W. under single Reef. J and Mainsail at 9 h. kept off N.W. made sail. Rainy, Squally

Lat 39.05 S. Long 179.55 E.

Friday 8

Fresh breeze at N.W. with Rain Squalls. course N.W. saw nothing. at sunset. shortened sail. A.M. daylight. made sail. Fine at S.E. course N.W.

Lat 37.55 S. Long 179.25 E.

Saturday 9.

Light winds and pleasant at S.E. course N.W. set up the Bob Stay. and J. Top Mast Stay. sent down the Mizzen Stay. shortened and fitted it anew. Saw nothing. sunset shortened sail daylight. made sail. Saw Land. along Cape East. set up the Mizzen Stay. and Mizzen Topmast. do. saw Sillies.

Lat 36.30 S. Long 176.08 E.

Sunday 10

Fine S.E. winds and pleasant weather course N.W. employed in the Rigging. sunset shortened sail. fresh at E. 10 h. 2 Reefed. A.M. strong nothing in sight.

Monday 11

Strong from E. 3 h. furled J. Topsail. 6 h. close reefed Main Top. furled foresail and Miz Tails. A.M. Moderate. Rainy. under single reef.

Lat 34.31 S. Long 176.16 E.

Tuesday 12

Fine at N.W. all sail to E. A.M. wind at N.W. course N.E. N. variously employed

Lat 34.00 S. Long 177.42 E.