

## Bark Mabel Toward New Holland

1878. Sunday Feb 17. This day Comes in with good weather and moderate breeze from South the Course E. by N. the Boatstewer that has been sick the last three days has got well again, and gone to duty, one man off duty forward with a sprained arm.

Lat 38° 30' Long 107° 12'

Monday Feb 18 This day good weather and light winds from S.W. Steering E. by N. Middle and latter part much the same Saw nothing. Employed overhauling boat tackles

Lat 37° 30' Long 109° 55'

Tuesday Feb 19<sup>th</sup> good weather and moderate Westerly winds the Bark steering to the Eastward middle and latter part much the same Saw nothing.

Lat 37° 00' Long 111° 26'

Wednesday Feb 20<sup>th</sup> This day Comes in with good weather and fresh breeze from W.S.W. Course E. by E. Middle and latter part passing rain squalls Saw a brevel and one porbeak

Lat 36° 24' Long 113° 37'

Thursday Feb 21 This day good weather and fresh breeze from W Steering E by N. middle and latter part much the same. Ends with rain squalls, one saw a Brig steering to the Eastward

Lat 35° 40' Long by D.R. 116° 00'

Friday Feb 22 This day Comes in with strong breeze and squally weather the Bark steering off E. N. E. at 7 A.M. Saw the land Cape Chatham bearing N. N. E. 25 miles dist Saw a whale steering to the Westward

Lat 35° 30' Long 117° 30' E.

## Bark Mabel Cruising on New Holland

1878 - Saturday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> This day Comes in with fine weather and moderate southerly winds the Bark on different tacks. Saw nothing but a shoal of porpoise at noon. Bald Head bearing N. N. E. 20 miles dist

Sunday Feb 24 This day Comes in with moderate breeze from the Eastward. The last three days have been cruising between Bald Head and West Cape Howe and have seen nothing but porpoises. Ends with light breeze from the Westward West Cape Howe bearing North 15 miles Dist.

Monday Feb 25 These twenty four hours good weather and moderate southerly winds. Steering on different tacks looking for a whale. Saw lots of small fish and squid. at noon Bald Head bearing N. N. E. 20 miles dist

Tuesday Feb 26 This day Comes in with moderate breeze from the S. E. Steering off N. N. W. for the Sound at 4 P.M. anchored in 4 fathoms and furled the sails

Wednesday Feb 27 This morning got under weigh with moderate westerly winds and started out of the bay at 9 A.M. the Pilot left and steered off S. E. at 11 A.M. Cleared Breaksea Islands. Saw a shoal of Killers. This has been a very disagreeable time in part owing to desertion of the crew and boatstewer, no less than six deserted and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mate Discharged. I have shipped three Mr Bruce, 3<sup>rd</sup> Mate, and two men, I must return in a week to get more men. Ends with gale from S.W. turned up the lee Boats. Lat 35° 30' Long 118° 15' E.

Thursday Feb 28 This day more moderate at daylight made sail. Saw something making white water. The land in sight about 30 miles off bearing N. W. Several of the crew sick

Lat 25° 30' Long 118° 40' E