

Bark Mary Frasier of New Bedford

Tuesday May 19th

9.15
Begins with light breeze from N.E. with thick weather. At 2 P.M. got the pump on board, while taking it the ship gave a heavy surge and the head chain parted thereby losing the case. All glad to get so much of rain. Cleared the decks and began boiling. Middle part strong wind from South latter part moderate Gale from same quarter with squally weather. Furlled the Main Top sail.

Wednesday May 20th

9.19
Begins with Gale from South with squally weather. Ship under stay sails. Boiling. Middle & latter parts wind & weather the same with very heavy sea. This morning on going into the lower hold to break out some fresh water. Discovered that the ship had sprung a leak. The water being nearly level with the ground tier. Called all hands & bore ship to the starboard tack. Sounded the pumps and found four feet six inches of water in the hold. Started both pumps. Kept the ship off from the wind, and after pumping steady, two hours and a half, freed the ship of the water. Though the day find that the leak, keeps one pump going half of the time. By looking over the starboard side, when the ship rolls heavy to port, can see that the planking is stripped of both copper & sheathing from the first course, as far down as we can see.

Latitude 32.54 South
Longitude 179:47 West

John C. Nye. Master On A Cruise 1876

Thursday May 21st

9.20
Begins with Moderate Gale from S.S.W. North squally weather and heavy sea running. Ship under close reefed Main Top sail and stay sails on the Port Tack. Employed Boiling & Pumping Ship. John C. Nye, Boatsteerer off duty. With same crew, and Charles Will. Do. With Injuring to Hand. Middle part wind more moderate and sea going down. Latter part same at 10 P.M. Finished Boiling, and made some sail ship heading West. Find the leak gaining some, Pumping Ship every half hour.

Lat 32:22 S Long 179 31 East

Friday, May 22nd

9.21
Begins with Moderate breeze from S.S.W. North good weather. Ship under all sail heading West. Pumping Ship every half hour. Middle part good breeze from N.N.W. Latter part strong breeze from S.S.W. Coopered the ciff and set it between Decks.

Lat 32:40 Long 179:10 East

Saturday May 23rd

9.22
Begins with Strong breeze from S.S.W. North fair weather. Ship under all sail working to windward. The leak about the same. Middle part. Wind hauled to N.W. Latter part same with strong breeze steering S.W.

Lat 33:03 Long 178 42

Sunday May 24th

9.23
Begins with Strong breeze from N.N.W. North cloudy weather. Ship under all sail steering S.W. for New Zealand, to repair ship. Find that when the ship is on the starboard tack she does not make quite so much water. Middle & latter parts, wind from West with rugged weather. Ship close hauled heading S.S.W.

Lat 34 20 Long 177:2