

Bark Matilda Sears

Tuesday April 18th

Squally weather with
she came from the west employed in getting
ready for sea

Wednesday April 19th

Commenced with moderate
breeze from South at 8 A.M. Sea account got
under way and started to sea. Stowed the
anchors and chains employed in fitting the
main topsail.

Thursday April 20th

Commenced with fine
breeze from South with pleasant weather ship
steering to the N.W. at 10 P.M. North Cape bar
S. 10 miles and luffed up and steered N.W. by
N. Middle and latter part light breeze from S.E.
ship by the wind bearing to the S.W. at daylight
the three masts for the S.E. at 15 miles and
employed in rigging the main topsail with
new rope and painted the lower part of side

Friday April 21st

Commenced with
moderate breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather
ship by sail wind heading to the S.W. under
all sail. Middle and latter part light breeze
employed in making Spungain under
the fore topsail and bent the old main topsail
for a fore topsail.
Lat. 35° 02'

Saturday April 22nd

First part moderate
breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather
ship by the wind heading to the Southward
under all sail. Middle and latter part
wind from S.E. ship heading to the South
crew employed in making Spungain and
sling the job about the ship.
Lat. 36° 39' S.

Steering to the Southward

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Sunday April 23rd

First part moderate breeze
from S.E. with pleasant weather ship steering
South under all sail. Middle and latter part wind
from N.E. ship steering South
Lat. 38° 56' S.
Long 169° 20' E.

Monday April 24th

First part moderate
breeze from North with pleasant weather ship
steering course South under all sail.
Middle and latter part wind from N.W. and employ
in different jobs about the ship got out the life-boat
and deck and clothes to the men
Lat. 40° 52' S.
Long 168° 58' E.

Tuesday April 25th

Commenced with light
air from N.W. with pleasant weather ship steering
course South. Middle and latter part light air
and calm crew employed in different jobs about
the ship and making Spungain
Lat. 41° 19' S.
Long 168° 38' E.

Wednesday April 26th

First part light air from
North with pleasant weather ship steering course
S.W. Middle and latter part fresh breeze with cloudy
weather employed in different jobs about the
ship.
Lat. 42° 39' S.
Long 168° 20' E.

Thursday April 27th

First part fresh breeze
from North with cloudy weather ship steering
course South as suggested took all sail but
double reef topsails. Middle and latter part
light breeze with foggy weather No Ob.