

Bark Matilda Lear

Saturday March 23rd

Commenced with
 strong breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather
 at 5 P.M. we ship back to the N. & 1000
 finished sailing latter part weather the
 same ship steering to the westward and employed
 in clearing back and cooping Lat. 32° 32' S.
 Long 178° 45' W

Sunday March 24th

Commenced with
 strong wind from S.E. with clear weather ship
 steering to the westward at 4 P.M. luffed
 to the N.E. latter part weather the
 same ship steering various courses
 Lat. 31° 56' S.

Monday March 25th

Commenced
 with strong breeze from Eastward
 and rugged ship steering different courses
 said to the Rock bearing to the north
 with paid wind and weather the same
 employed in storing down oil in the
 main hatch and fore hold no other

Tuesday March 26th

Commenced
 with strong breeze from S.E. with
 cloudy weather and rugged ship heading
 to the South under short sail
 Middle and latter part weather the
 same at 5 P.M. we ship to the N.E.
 Lat 32° 26' S.
 Long 179° 28' W

Cruising off the French Rock L. 1872

Wednesday March 27th

Commenced with
 strong wind from S.E. with rugged sea
 ship heading to the N.E. Middle and latter
 part wind and weather the same ship heading
 to the N.E. saw the Rock bearing to the N.W.
 Lat. 31° 16' S.

Thursday March 28th

Commenced with
 strong breeze from S.E. with squally weather
 and rugged sea at 5 P.M. raised upon whales
 going to the S.W. but found for them the
 harboard and struck whale and she went to
 run into the harboard and stored it to the
 whale with the line the French Rock bearing
 N.W. 10 miles distant Middle and latter
 part wind the same ship to the wind on
 opposite side of the meridian the Rock bore
 North 45 miles distant employed in repairing
 the stowed boat

Friday March 29th

Commenced with strong
 breeze from S.E. with rugged sea ship
 heading to the South Middle and latter part
 wind the same ship heading to the N.E.
 crew employed in setting up the head gear
 and repairing the boat
 Lat. 31° 59' S.

Saturday March 30th

Commenced with
 strong wind from S.E. with rugged sea
 ship to the wind heading to the N.E.
 Middle and latter part the same
 employed in setting up the fore topmast
 back stays and other up the port back
 stays at meridian the Rock bore west
 15 miles distant