

Bark Mermaid Cruising on the South Coast

Sunday April 25th 1872. This day Comes in with good weather and light S.E. winds the Bark on different tacks, Middle and latter part much the same saw nothing but S.E. Islands.

Lat 34° 53' Long 123° 45'

Monday April 27th Comes in with quite a fresh Gale from the W.S.W. the Bark steering S.E. & middle rainy and squally. Ends with bad weather the Bark under close reefed main topsail and staysails.

Lat: 34° 30' Long 124° 30'

Tuesday April 30th This day Comes in with a moderate Gale from S.W. the Bark heading to the S.E. under short sail Middle and latter part about the same saw nothing.

Lat 33° 25' Long 125° 15'

Wednesday May 1st Comes in with better weather the Bark heading to the Westward under short sail Middle and latter part more moderate saw one vessel the Canton.

Lat 35° 03' Long 124° 30'

Thursday May 2nd Comes in with good weather and moderate breeze from the S.E. the Bark steering W.S.W. middle and latter part much the same, saw two vessels the Canton, and a merchantman both steering to the Westward.

Lat 34° 56' Long 123° 48'

Friday May 3rd This day Comes in with good weather and light winds with passing rain squalls. the Bark steering W.S.W. middle and latter part much the same. Saw one sail.

Lat 34° 45' Long 122° 35'

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Saturday May 4th 1872. This day Comes in with fine weather and light winds from the S.E. the Bark steering on different tacks middle and latter part much the same. Saw nothing but a few finbacks, and Grampusses. Spoke the Swallow and Canton.

Lat 34° 40' Long 122° 46'

Sunday May 5th Comes in with good weather and light winds from the S.E. the Bark heading on different tacks. Middle and latter part much the same. Saw Grampusses and three small fry. Two vessels in sight.

Monday May 6th These twenty four hours fresh breeze from the S.E. the Bark heading on different tacks. Middle and latter part much the same. Saw one sail, the Swallow. at noon S.E. Islands bearing N.E. about 25 miles.

Tuesday May 7th This day fresh Gale from the Westward the Bark heading on different tacks middle part much the same saw nothing but birds. I trust the Lord will soon send us some whales. for this is a lonely life doing nothing.

Lat 35° 24' Long 124° 00'

Wednesday May 8th Comes in with good weather and moderate breeze from the Southward the Bark heading to the Westward. at sunset were ship heading S.E. & middle and latter part fine weather. Saw one sail. the regin in sight.

Lat 34° 44' Long 123° 24'

Thursday May 9th This day Comes in with fine weather and moderate winds from the S.E. the Bark heading to the Westward middle and latter part much the same. Saw nothing but small fry. one sail in sight.

Lat Long

Friday May 10th Comes in with good weather and fresh breeze from North the Bark steering by the wind to the S.W. two vessels in sight.

Nobs.