

Bark Abernethy Cruising off South Coast



Calico

Tuesday May 14th 1874 This day Comes in with Good weather and fresh breeze from West the Bark steering by the wind on different tacks middle part better weather ends with better fine weather. two vessels in sight

Thursday May 16th Comes in with fresh Gale from the S.W. the Bark steering to the S.E. middle and latter part much the same three vessels in sight plenty of birds.. but no whales Spoke the Bark Calico Lat 35.20 Long 124.30 E.

Saturday May 18th This day Comes in with Good weather and light winds from the South West the Bark steering on different tacks, four vessels in sight. one Merchantman. At 4 P.M. missed whales going nowhere in particular. Lowered three Boats for them. the Starboard Boat fastened and saved a fifty barrel whale got him to the ship about sunset and cut him in pieces about 4 P.M.

The reef bearing N by E. 10 miles

Tuesday May 21st Comes in with Good weather and light Northerly winds. The Bark steering S.W. at seven P.M. Spoke the Bark Swallow at 5 P.M. missed boiling. The Calico in sight to the Eastward Lat 34.20 Long 124.16 E

Wednesday May 22nd Comes in with fine weather and moderate Northerly winds. Employed stowing down oil in the after hold. Saw two vessels. S.E. Islands and the reef in sight Lat 34.34 Long 123.45

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Swallow
Chasing
Whales

Thursday May 23rd Comes in with Good weather and fresh Northerly winds. The Bark steering to the Westward middle and latter part much the same Saw nothing. at 8 A.M. Saw the Swallow Chasing Whales. Lat 34.34 Long 123.50



Calico

Friday May 24th This day Comes in with Good weather and fine breeze from the North. The Bark steering N.W. middle and latter part much the same at 2 P.M. spoke the Bark Calico. Saw Swallow in sight. at Noon the reef bearing N.W. 10 miles

Sunday May 26th Comes in with Good weather and moderate breeze from the North the Bark steering by the wind on different tacks middle and latter part much the same two vessels in sight. S.E. Islands bearing N. by E.

Wednesday May 29th This day fine weather and light winds from the S.W. the Bark steering N.W. by the wind middle and latter part much the same Saw nothing. The last three days Employed sending up a new main top Gallant mast and fitting the rigging. Lat 34.56 Long 123.58 E

Friday May 31st These twenty four hours fine weather and moderate westerly winds the Bark on different tacks middle and latter part nearly Calm. two vessels in sight. the Canton and Mary Frasier. Spoke them both.

Sunday June 2nd Comes in with fresh westerly gales. The Bark under short sail on different tacks middle part squally. Ends with better weather two vessels in sight Saw S.E. Islands bearing N.W. 10 miles