

Bark. Lark Feb 1853

Thursday Commenced the 3rd Month with fine
 breeze & S.W. heading to the N.E. under
 double reef topsails. On the 6th the wind
 hauled to the N.W. having favoured us with
 a fair wind and flowing sheets towards
 Cape Horn the Lord taking pity upon
 us. having a leaky ship a rotten ship
 and a disagreeable ship employ? Mending
 sails and other quaint jobs all the rest part
 of the month strong breezes from N.W. to
 N.E. W. seen nothing but the blue above
 and blue below until the 28th saw the
 Diego Islands ahead at sunset passed
 about 2 1/2 miles to the South of them
 being in the latitude of 54° 00' S Long 69° 10' W.
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Bark. Lark March 1853

Thursday Commenced the 3rd Month
 with fine weather and a leading wind
 saw Hermits Island and Cape Horn
 on the 3rd saw barrow Island one of the
 Fackland Is. sunset kept off E.S.E.

when about the latitude of 40° I took in sail night
 for about a week saw nothing 12th day saw
 a sail steering to the South from the 18th to the 21st
 saw several sails all steering to the Eastward
 hands employed in all sorts of work mending
 of them standing idle the bark leaking
 300 strokes per hour on the 25th commenced
 painting ship got her half painted took a
 smart breeze from N.E. to E.S.E. several sails
 in sight latitude 28° 14' S Long 28° 19' W on the 30th
 spoke a ship bound to Hobart town Van Diemens
 Land did not understand her name the
 rest part of this month light airs and variable
 commenced working on the rigging and
 other jobs to be useful to mention

On the 31st Household chores.