

Monday Dec. 22 1874

First part of this day good breeze from the E. Ship steering N. & W. about noon saw the Pyramid off Lord Howe Island Middle part steering for the land Latter part the same. at sun down took in the light sails and hauled aback off the Pyramid saw one fin back and so ends.

Tuesday Dec 23

First part of this day light breeze from the S.E. about 7 A.M. the Captain went ashore got off a few potatoes and a lot of onions sent a shore some trade. The Captain returned about 11 P.M. stood out to the N. Saw two sails and so ends this day.

Wednesday Dec 24

First part of this day good breeze from the N. made sail and kept off for the land about 10 A.M. spoke Bark Benjamin Cummings Capt. Brown 42 months out 1200 all told kept off steering to the S. and W. Middle and Latter parts the same. at sun down took in sail to lower top sails and luffed two on the starboard tack heading to the Westward. Saw the land bearing S at dark distance 30 miles at sun down and so ends this day.

Thursday Dec 25

First part of this day blowing a moderate gale from the N.W. Ship steering N. & W. Middle and Latter parts wind from the S.E. with rain and thunder. Saw two fin backs at sun down took in sail to the storm sail and so ends this day.

Friday Dec 26 1874

Lat 32-38 Long 167-06 First part of this day light air and calms Middle and Latter parts the same. Repaired the fore top sail. Saw a large body of sulphur bottoms at sun down furled the light sails and clewed down the top sails and so ends this day.

Saturday Dec 27

Lat 32-45 Long 156-46 First part of this day light air and calms Middle part the same Latter part light breeze from the S.E. Ship on the port tack heading S by E. Net hold. Saw grampus and black fish and fin backs at sun down took in the light sails and courses. and so ends this day.

Sunday Dec 28

First part of this day good breeze and fine weather. Wind S.E. Ship beating to the E. Middle and Latter parts the same. Saw fin backs and one sail at sun down took in sail and so ends.

Monday Dec 29

First part of this day strong breeze from the E. Ship on the port tack. Middle and Latter parts the same. Saw two sails and plenty of jumpure. Weather thick and hazy. Mr. Bright man sick. at sun down shortened sail and so ends.

Tuesday Dec 30

Lat 35-24 Long 155-24 First part of this day good breeze from the N.E. with fine weather. Middle part the same. Latter part wind from the N.N.E. Ship on the port tack. Saw nothing. so ends.