

The Ship Callao A. B. Howland Master

From the Sandwich Islands

Remarks on Board Friday Apr 3rd

The fore part of the day strong breezes from the N by N about five o'clock A.M. the ship struck on a reef belonging to French small Islands and bank ~~not~~ we found it about 40 miles to the west from where it was laid down on the chart. The ship struck and being thumping on the reef very hard for five or ten moments when she slid off over it she unhooked the rudder and tore off a part of the false keel or part of it and otherwise damaged her so that she leaked about 9.00 strokes an hour after getting over one reef we soon saw another close to with breakers on it (the one we went over

it) did not break on) we bent a hawser on to the Port anchor and cut it away that brought the

ship up and held her until we bent the Starboard anchor and got that down the hawser soon chafed off and we lost the anchor we then bent the other chain on to the kedge and two boat anchors and two ~~boat~~ on blubber hooks and let that go then took our ruder in and fished the head of it the ship laying in 6 fathoms water with breakers within a cable's length on each side there appears to be a reef on all sides of us there is a small sand island close to with a number of Elephant on it

Lat 23.33 N
Long 166.00 W

Remarks on Board Saturday Apr 4th

The fore part of the day fine pleasant weather and a light breeze from the S hung the rudder and sent the bow boat off to sound out a passage about nine o'clock took the anchors and got underway and stood out between the reefs and got in blue water once more the middle part fresh breezes all hands employed breaking out looking for the leak the latter part strong breezes double reefed the Topsails the ship by the wind on opposite Tacks

Lat 23.31 N
Long 166.10 W

on a Whaling Voyage in the Pacific in 1857

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Remarks on Board Sunday Apr 5th

The fore part of the day a moderate gale took in the main sail and jib the middle part much the same the watch employed breaking so out looking for the leak but did not find it. The latter part more moderate set whole Topsails mainsail and jib and started S the wind from the N by N the leak seems to be rather decreasing (it has plenty of chance to decrease yet)

Cloudy No Obs

Remarks on Board Monday Apr 6th

The fore part of the day light breezes from the N by N at daylight luffed to the wind on the starboard tack just after breakfast the crew came aft with George Wilson at their head and insisted upon the ship's being taken in to Port they did not think it was safe to go North with her until she was repaired the Boatsteerers were all opposed to going North except Charles the Portuguese he thought the Capt. knew best what to do they were all finally persuaded to go to work again and go on to the N the middle and latter parts calm for the last twenty-four hours the ship has leaked 484 strokes an hour Lat 23.14 N Long 166.38 W

Remarks on Board Tuesday Apr 7th

The fore part of the day calm the middle part the same the watch employed mending the foretopsail and adding another spar to the fishing on the fore mast the latter part light airs from the N by N steering N by S

Lat 22.57 N
Long 166.38 W

ashore on French small Islands

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