

31st August 1864 Wednesday.

Day fine, blowing half a gale, wind varying from N.E. to N.W. at every tack it seems to come against us.

Ship making a great deal of water, the pumps going nearly all day: each passenger (first class) now only allowed two quarts of water a day to wash, cook and drink, at breakfast and tea we can only have one small cup of tea, and at dinner the passengers can scarcely get enough water to quench their thirst.

Lucky are those who can afford to pay for other drink. We are in the same position now that we were on Monday.

There is plenty of coal on board, the engine is in first class order, and why we should have our water stopped, or why the Captⁿ will not have more made we can not tell, nor will he.

1st September 1864 Thursday.

A fine bright day, wind same. Tacked at 7 A.M., sighted I.L. end of middle island N^o 4.30 this afternoon & passed a fishing smack from Ottapo. Fore and aft schooner rig. Tacked again at 5 P.M.

A small whale close to the ship in the afternoon.

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2nd September 1864 Friday

A beautiful day quite calm.

At day break this morning the wind came round to W. by N. and for a few hours we were making straight for Banks Peninsula.

For a wonder the engine was at work today making water, so for a treat we are to have a pint of water to wash with tomorrow.