

April 3rd The French ram Alma passed us. passed
Tima Misaki running along the coast west through
Siumi straits and passed Hina Misaki. ministers
went on shore for 2 hrs at Hiogo or Kobe. went to
Osaki. the three ministers left us and we fired a
salute for the Spaniard and Dutchman of 15 guns each.

April 4th The most of our officers went ashore to witness
the opening of the Imperial Japanese mint. at 12 minutes
on we fired a national salute of 21 guns with the
japanese flag at the main.

April 5th up anchor again and proceeded about 2 miles
under sail and dropped the anchor again. H. P. M.
S. Leven is stationed here.

April 6th got up steam and proceed to Hiogo.

" 7th Saluted the japanese flag with 21 guns. the
american vice consul came on board and received
a salute of 7 guns.

April 8th Saluted the japanese Admiral with 19 guns.
contracted for a race boat to beat the Colorado barge.
the boat to be delivered within 30 days and to cost
\$3500 all complete.

April 12th Battalion drill on shore.

April 13th Drill on shore. the American Dutch and
Spanish ministers came on board.

April 14th Started for Yokohama and went as far as
Tima and anchored over night.

April 15th proceeded on our voyage. weather rainy and
squally. carried away flying jib boom ship rode
heavy.

April 16th Arrived in Yokohama the ministers left the
ship. the Benicia is here.

April 17th Saluted the French Admiral with 13 guns
salute returned by the Alma. the ship is getting a
thorough over hauling setting up rigging taring scraping
and calking.

April 21st Boat race between our 2nd Cutter and race boat
pulled by the Idahos crew 12 oars each 24 miles around a
stake boat and back. the 2nd Cutter came in winner in 44
minutes beating the race boat by 1 minute 25 seconds.

April 24th Left for Nagasaki. the Benicia came up with
us and passed us narrowly escaped running on shore on
Worsuma island the weather being thick and foggy.
4:30 P.M. Lighted Sojima light. at 10:30. passed rock island
light.