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Captain Laur her commander decided to proceed to San Francisco under sail alone, and here she arrived about a hundred days or so later. There was enough fuel in the tanks to use the engines while going through the Golden Gate. I don't know, what became of her after that. I know Captain Laur commanded the Ketch rigged Yacht "Faith" later on on a voyage to the South Seas, she was built for Hayden or may be Walden F Shaw, the man who started Yellow Cab. The Faith later was owned by John Ford noted Movie Director. Captain Laur was a fine linguist, he spoke German French and Italian and of course also English and Spanish. So may a time he was employed by the Movie industry as a Language expert. He was a noted Philatelist and also collected covers, and on many voyages I made in Yachting he handed me envelopes which implied for him, in out of the way islands and places.

It is some time, since I wrote H. Picard - 99 BOULEVARD ALBERT 1er 17 Royan France. He is an expert on French ships, and without doubt, he will be interested in your article.

You still may have the specifications that Cox & Stevens made for these French ships. if so, can you give me the sizes of ceiling and timbers used in keelsons, also size of bowsprit

Again many thanks for your fine and interesting article

Sincerely Yours

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