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It appears that a vessel with many hands on board, and
laden with bees-wax, entered the bay and was wrecked;
she went to pieces, and the crew got on shore. Many
articles were washed on shore, and particularly the bees-
wax. This latter is even now [1839] occasionally thrown
upon the beach, but in smaller quantities than formerly.
I have one specimen now in my possession."

Prof. Davidson, in his "Coast Pilot of California, Oregon
and Washington Territory," U. S. Coast Survey, 1869,
alludes to her as a "Chinese or Japanese junk." He says,
"there are occasionally, after great storms, pieces of this
wax thrown ashore, coated with sand and bleached nearly
white. Formerly a great deal was found, but now it is
rarely met with. Many people on the Columbia possess
specimens, and we [in 1851] have seen several pieces."
See also *Overland Monthly*, Jan'y, 1871, article entitled
"Mouth of Columbia River." I do not know on what
authority Davidson confidently pronounces the vessel a
"Chinese or Japanese junk," nor do I know what became
of the crew. This wreck has been very generally con-
founded with the one of which I am now about to relate.

Early in 1833 a Japanese junk was wrecked somewhere
on the coast of Washington Territory, between Point
Grenville and Cape Flattery. The authorities in this case
are Capt. Wyeth, in a note, in the appendix of Irving's
"Adventures of Capt. Bonneville," Sir Edward Belcher, as
above, and Wilkes' Exploring Expedition. She had been
out a very long time, whence, or whither bound, does not
appear, and many of her crew had perished by starvation
or disease before she was wrecked, and Belcher adds that