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When the Flying Cloud was launched on April 15, 1851, at East Boston, she was the fastest merchant ship afloat. She regularly sailed from New York to San Francisco. In 1851 she made the journey from New York to San Francisco in only 89 days, a world record that the Flying Cloud itself beat three years later (a record that would not be broken until 1989).

In 1862, Flying Cloud was sold to go under British colors without change of name, and was soon traveling between Britain and Australia and New Zealand. Her latter years were spent in the timber trade between Britain and St. Johns, Canada. Shortly after leaving St. Johns in 1874, the Flying Cloud went ashore on Beacon Island bar during a heavy gale and broke her back. Condemned and sold, the Flying Cloud was finally burned for her copper and metal fastenings in June 1875.

A book about the Flying Cloud was written by David W. Shaw titled, "Flying Cloud: The True Story of America's Most Famous Clipper Ship and the Woman Who Guided Her." (2001)
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