

Ship Cambria While Cruising on the North West Coast

Sunday May 5th 1845 Commences with light airs from the S.E. with pleasant weather steering North at 2 P.M. saw Whales at 3 lowered the boats got very handy to them but they proceeded on at 5 the boats returned without success at 7 took in Sail middle part light airs and calms at daylight made Sail latter part moderate breezes from the North with sun & fog so ends Lat by Obs. 52.55 Long by Chrt. 157.10 West

Monday May 5th 1845 Commences with light airs and calms with fog standing to the N.E. at 7 P.M. took in Sail middle part moderate breezes from the Westward at daylight made Sail at 7 took in Ship at 11 P.M. were round steered N.E. with a brisk wind from the Westward so ends Lat by Obs. 52.58 Long by Chrt. 158.50

Tuesday May 6th 1845 Commences with a brisk wind from the Westward with fair weather steering N.E. with all Sail set at 4 P.M. saw two Right Whales Course off half past 4 sent off 2 Boats but did not strike half past 6 the Boats returned without success half past 7 were round and shortened Sail middle part brisk winds at daylight set down the top Sail at 8 the wind breezed on took in the Toppers & set down Sails for about an hour then the wind moderated and set them again at 8 sent 2 Boats off for a Whale but they soon returned without success remainder part the wind inclined to moderate made all Sail on the Ship and worked to the windward for Whales that was in sight so ends Lat by Obs. 53.02 Long by Chrt. 161.37

Wednesday May 7th 1845 Commences with very strong breezes and clear weather saw two Whales lowered the boats twice for them in the course of the afternoon but they were too shy for us could not get near them half past 7 shortened Sail middle part more moderate at daylight made Sail but the wind soon breezed on raised the top Sails at 6 P.M. were round Ship latter part brisk winds with clear weather saw a whale and lowered the boats for him but he was like the rest as with 2 other boats soon returned without success stood to the North. Lat by Obs. 52.54 Long 158.46

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Thursday May 8th 1845 Commences with very strong breezes from the Westward steering to the North at the double reefed sails because of the heat at 6 sent the boats off for 2 whales but they soon returned without success at 8 the boats returned to the Westward half past 7 shortened Sail 5 fathoms night moderate brisk winds from the N.W. with cloudy weather at daylight set the top Sails with two reefs on them at 4 P.M. were round at 8 Sail hoisted off N.W. at 10 P.M. saw a Whale down too late and after him but he was going quite to the Westward could not get on at 11 the boats returned without success so ends with cloudy weather No Observations

Friday May 9th 1845 Commences with brisk winds and cloudy weather standing to the N.W. half past 2 P.M. saw a Whale at 3 lowered the boats for him and struck him shortly after running round a shelf with out showing a chance to get a long side him the Ship heaver got the Ship ahead of him was forced to cut the line to get clear chased on but he went off to the windward faster than we could go with the boats at 5 the Boats returned without success lost 2 fms about 40 fathoms of line half past 7 shortened Sail middle part brisk winds from the S.E. with fog headed to the Eastward latter part moderate gales and thick foggy weather standing to the S.E. under main top Sail of fore Sail so ends No Observations Sun Obscured

Saturday May 10th 1845 Commences with moderate gales from the S.E. with thick rainy weather at 7 P.M. took in the top Sail middle part the wind moderated down latter part very light airs made Sail & steered N.E. so ends with cloudy weather Lat by Obs. 53.16

Sunday May 11th 1845 Commences with a very light air and cloudy at 8 P.M. saw Whales lowered the boats and chased them all the afternoon the Whales appeared to be at home but very shy at 7 the boats returned without success took in Sail for the night middle part calm with a heavy swell from the S.W. at half past 8 took in a brace from the N.W. made Sail at 10 saw a Whale going quite to the S.W. arrived at but did not get near him at 11 took in the top Sail & hoisted off S.N.E. Lat by Obs. 53.17 Long by Chrt. 161.50