

Ship Cambria While Cruising on the North West Coast

At 9.40 P.M. the ship was ...
 By ...
 11.15

Monday May 12th 1845 Commenced

with a variable wind from the N.W. that was in abeyance in course steering E.N.E. at 2 P.M. by my Lord's judgment myself ran enough to the Eastward for the present were now on the N.W. at half past 3 took in the main S.B. & half past 4 saw the ship the Top Sails at 7 closed up the main Top Sails took in the fore Sails & fore Sails were ship to the South in half past 7 the wind being more the hauled round to the North at 8 A.M. were ship later part took in the fore Sails with a thick fog ship heading N.W. did not make any sail until noon when the fore sail was set.

Lat by Obs. 52.59 North.

Tuesday May 13th 1845 Commenced

with a variable wind from the North inclined to moderate middle part light air with fog at daylight set the fore Sails with two reefs in them later part light air and calm with a thick fog employed breaking out our heat found sun of at 10 set the fore Sails so ends.

No Observations!

Wednesday May 14th 1845 Commenced

with moderate breezes with sun & fog stood to the Eastward at 7 P.M. spoke the ship Stephen of New Bedford 9 miles out 130 lbs of sperm and 150 whale half past 7 we shortened sail at 9 parted with the other ship steered N.W. through the night under double reef main Top Sails & fore Sails at 4 A.M. set double reef Top Sails at half past 5 saw a whale at 6 hoisted the boat struck him about 7 made all sail of the other with a light breeze from the South and thick weather and fog by spells but the ruin of the boats 2 or 3 or 4 times the whale run to the windward turned him up about 4 miles to the weather of the ship to the N.W. in tow so ends.

No Observations



Thursday May 15th 1845 Commenced

with moderate breezes and thick weather half past 2 took the whale to the ship about 4 commenced cutting while cutting the ship's log was run down to us Capt. Colt came on board half past 6 the fore top off stowed cutting took in sail middle part took in and sailing windward at 8 commenced cutting later part took in and a very bad sea on at 12 finished cutting so ends. Lat by Obs. 53.57



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Friday May 16th 1845 Commenced

with moderate gales and thick weather half past 2 P.M. started a fire in the try works at 6 the log was run down to us Capt. Colt came on board and stayed until 8 middle part took in and sailing weather heading to the South under best reef main Top Sails fore Sails and storm Sails at 6 A.M. set the fore Sails with two reefs in them later part moderate breezes and steady the log was run and one other observation night so ends employed boiling. Lat by Obs. 53.45 Long by Obs. 155.13

Saturday May 17th 1845 Commenced

with moderate breezes from the Eastward with sun & fog at 5 A.M. were ship to the North at 8 shortened sail middle part light air from the South East with fair weather at half past 5 A.M. set the reef Top Sails later part moderate breezes from S.E. with light fog at 10 finished boiling later part Cooper employed getting the log to show got the log up over the after hatchway ready to break out two observations night so ends.

Lat by Obs. 53.19 North.

Sunday May 18th 1845 Commenced

with moderate breeze from the South with fair weather steering S.E. employed breaking out the fore hold at 7 P.M. shortened sail luffed to the wind to the Eastward middle part very moderate at daylight set the fore Top Sails later part light air and calm with fair weather employed stowing down so ends.

Lat by Obs. 53.29 Long by Obs. 155.40

Monday May 19th 1845 Commenced

with a light air from the South steering N.E. at 3 P.M. finished stowing down cleared up decks &c. at 7 P.M. took in sail for the night and luffed to the wind middle part moderate breezes from the E.S.E. heading to the N.E. at daylight set the fore Top Sails with two reefs in it about 10 A.M. the fog cleared up sun set the Mizzen Top Sails & fore remainder part fair weather employed cleaning fore a moderate breeze from the S.E. so ends. Lat by Observation 54.03