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Ship Cambria While Cruising About the Equator

Thursday July 29th 1847

Commences with moderate trades and pleasant steering West and N by S middle part steering N.W. latter part steering N.N.W. moderate trades and pleasant. Cooper employed making Ryers so ends.

Lat by Obs. 28 miles S Long 159.30 W

Friday July 30th 1847 Commences

with moderate trades and pleasant half part 1 P.M. made Jarvis Island bearing N by S Dist 15 miles at 4 went in with 2 boats landed on it saw nothing worth mentioning tried for fish saw a plenty but they would not bite at 7 P.M. returned to the ship kept off S.W. middle part fine trades and pleasant at 7 had plenty black fish round the ship have a lance in to one lost it work and all learn me to let them alone next time latter part brisk trades steering N.W. ends

Lat by Obs. 10.25 S Long by Obs. 161.27

Saturday July 31st 1847 Commences

with brisk trades and pleasant weather steering S.W. and S.W. by S at sunset kept off West took in the Fore & Main Sails at daylight set them again latter part steering N.W. employed filling the scuttle but so ends. Lat 00.52 S Long 164.17

Sunday August 1st 1847 Commences

with brisk trades and pleasant steering S.W. all sail set at sunset took in the Fore & Main Sails kept off N.W. steered so the remainder part of these 24 hours latter part more moderate saw a shoal of black fish so ends. Lat by Obs. 10.6 N Long by Obs. 166.12

Monday August 2nd 1847 Commences

with moderate trades and pleasant weather steering West at sunset shortened sail middle part steering N.W. at 5 P.M. saw a breach to the N.W. steered for it saw a ship to the S.W. back and filled and steered different courses until 10 P.M. but saw nothing more kept the ship S.W. made all sail ends. Lat by Obs. 00.5 S Long by Obs. 168.20 West

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Tuesday August 3rd 1847 Commences

with brisk trades and pleasant weather steering S.W. S and S.W. at sunset took in the Sails hauled up the courses luffed to the wind to the S.E. middle part sun squally at daylight made sail at half part 4 kept off West latter part fine pleasant weather Cooper employed making Ryers so ends. Lat by Obs. 1.06 S Long by Obs.

At 9 A.M. made the Dist between the Sails made the Long 169.35-50 S. Lat 169.35-50 Aug 3. Obs. Dist 76.20-45

Wednesday August 4th 1847

Commences with brisk trades and fair weather steering S.W. and S.E. at sunset took in the light sails hauled up the Main sail and luffed to the wind to the N.E. middle part wind and weather much as the first part at daylight set the M.S. S. as a ship off our lee beam at 7 he appeared to be whaling at 8 kept off for her and made all sail at 9 I saw breaches to the S.W. luffed for them the other ship steered to the North at 10 we could plainly see the whales half part 10 lowered the boats struck 3 whales and missed another parted from one lost him and one from short piece of line saved two whales at 12 took them to the ship so ends. Lat by Obs. 1.07 South. 15 miles

20 miles

Thursday August 5th 1847

Commences with brisk trades and fair weather half part 1 P.M. commenced cutting half part 4 finished braced full stood to the South cleared away the heads cut up the blubber at 7 P.M. wore ship to the North middle part moderate trades at daylight wore ship set the M.S. S. commenced boiling saw 2 befalls one of the lee beam the other off the weather quarter at 2 P.M. set the M.S. S. and fly jib at 12 tacked set the Fore S. Sails so ends. Lat by Obs. 1.25 Long by Obs. 170.41 West.

Friday August 6th 1847 Commences

with moderate trades and pleasant standing to the North employed boiling 2 ships and a bark in sight one ship boiling besides our klos at sunset took in the light sails and set half part moderate at 5 P.M. finished boiling at 7 P.M. tacked set the S. S. and fly jib at 11 of the Main sail brisk trades from S.E. and pleasant so ends. Lat by Obs. 10.57 S Long by Obs. 171.41 West.