

Ship Cambria While Cruising Near the Equator

Friday Oct. 20th 1848 Commences with a light air from the NE and pleasant steering by the wind to the SE at middle part the same some showers of rain latter part a fine trade from ENE at 4 P.M. saw Whales breaching half past 10 lowered for the Whales there was two of them going right to the NW
Lat by Obs. 3.0 Long by Alt. 171.46

Saturday October 21st 1848 Commences with a moderate trade and pleasant about half past 12 the Whales went down not far from the boat hearing to the NW waited about one hour and a half but saw nothing more of them then came to the ship and found that they had seen a shoal of Whales a head of the ship going quite to the windward so I think that is where the two Whales went that the boat was in pursuit of took up the boat and stood by the wind to the North at 6 tracks middle and latter part vary light trades from East to ESE sounds Lat 3.34 Long 172.10

Sunday Oct. 22nd 1848 Commences with a vary light air from ESE with fine pleasant weather at 3 P.M. and again at half past 3 saw long beachers bearing ESE a long distance off supposed them to be sperm Whales half past 5 P.M. saw a large Whale bearing South got the boats ready and sent 3 of them in pursuit of him but it got to be so dark when he came up they could not see him out the boats, could they have seen him they might have got to him with ease as he was within 1 mile of them and very slow half past 7 boats returned with out success middle and latter part light air and calm sounds Lat by Obs. 3.45 Long 172.00

Monday Oct. 23rd 1848 All the 24 hours light breezes from the North and pleasant at 9 A.M. made Birnie's Island bearing E by N Dist 10 miles at 10 P.M. off NW Sound Lat 3.46

Tuesday Oct. 24th 1848 All the 24 hours moderate breezes from North to NE and pleasant
Lat by Obs. 3.31 Long by Alt. 172.3

Ship Cambria from the Equator bound out South.

Wednesday Oct. 25th 1848 All the 24 hours moderate trades and pleasant weather middle part light sails furled courses hauled up at half past 11 made Birnie's Island bearing North Dist 15 miles Lat by Obs. 3.52 Long 171.55

Thursday Oct. 26th 1848 Commences with fine trades and pleasant weather all sail out at 8 P.M. took in the light sails hauled up the courses middle part wind much the same at daylight made all sail tatter part light air sounds
Lat by Obs. 4.06 Long by Alt. 171.30

Friday Oct. 27th 1848 Commences with a light air from the Eastward and pleasant steering by the wind to the about at 6 P.M. made the Midway Island bearing SE Dist 10 miles middle and latter part moderate sounds
Lat by Obs. 5.18 Long by Alt. 171.27

Saturday Oct. 28th 1848 Commences with a light air from the NE and pleasant steering SE by S at a light breeze middle part nearly calm latter part light air from the South and calm sounds Lat by Obs. 5.55 Long 171.20

Sunday Oct. 29th 1848 Commences with a light air from the South middle part it veered to the ENE latter part a fine trade from E by N and pleasant sounds
Lat by Obs. 6.58 Long by Alt. 171.28

Monday Oct. 30th 1848 All the 24 hours fine trades from ENE to ESE with pleasant weather steering by the wind with the larboard tack about so ends
Lat by Obs. 8.34 Long by Alt. 171.25

Tuesday Oct. 31st 1848 Commences with brisk trades and fair weather at 5 P.M. made the Duke of Clarence Island bearing SSE Dist 15 miles middle part some squally latter part thick and rainy wind from NE to ESE sounds