

Bark Canton Packets Log Book.

Saturday May 22nd 1858

Begins with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the S. at 1 P.M. landed on water Bark with 2 boats and got about 2 barrels of sea-powder eggs middle part pleasant latter part at daylight saw a shoal of sperm whales going to the S.E. at 8 A.M. lowered 3 boats in chase at 9 A.M. struck 2 large whales. The Captain in striking got knocked out of the boat and hurt but not dangerous and now quite comfortable. John Lane the oldest boatman missed a whale and was broke and Warren Miles a foremast hand was made on.

Latitude 22° 40' S.
Longitude 155° 36' E.

Sunday May 23rd

Begins with strong breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. at 2 P.M. took one whale to the ship and at 4 P.M. took the other and made sail heading to the E.S.E. to get to the E. of wreck reef bearing 10 distant about 25 miles middle part having the whales to the S.E. latter part commenced cutting at 11 P.M. got one cut in

Latitude 22° 16' S.
Longitude 156° 10' E.

Monday May 24th

Begins with strong breezes and squally weather from the S.E. employed in cutting at bark got the bodies in and let the heads lay middle part commenced bagging heads latter part shag the heads in

Latitude 21° 50' S. saw whales
Longitude 155° 49' E. but did not lower

Tuesday May 25th 1858

Begins with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship heading to the S. employed in bagging and clearing along the head middle part the same latter part at 9 A.M. saw a shoal of sperm whales on the water the beam heading N. made sail and worked to the windward

Latitude 21° 50' S.
Longitude 155° 41' E.

Wednesday May 26th

Begins with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. booby at 1 P.M. lowered 2 boats for the whales and the bow boat went alongside of a 50 bl whale and the boatster Manual Strates missed him the first one one more chance at sundown came on board middle part and latter part bagging

Latitude 21° 42' S.
Longitude 156° 00' E.

Thursday May 27th

Begins with moderate breezes and pleasant weather from the S.E. ship heading to the S.E. employed in bagging middle part the same latter part at noon finished

Latitude 21° 55' S.
Longitude 155° 46' E.

Friday May 28th

Begins with light airs and pleasant weather employed in clearing up the decks middle part pleasant latter part at 8 A.M. saw sperm whales at 10 lowered 3 boats in chase

Latitude 21° 15' S.
Longitude 155° 50' E.