

Bark Canton Packet Log Book.

Friday June 4th 1858

Begins with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S. ship heading to the N. S. B. employed in stowing down in the main hatchway 4 S. M. finished stowing 4 bbls of sperm oil or spermaceti. Middle part pleasant latter part washing ship and breaking out the fore hole for water.

Latitude 21.49. S.

Longitude 155.50. E.

Saturday June 5th

Begins with light air and pleasant weather from the S. S. E. ship heading S. W. employed in getting bark ready for sail and breaking out shoals middle part pleasant latter part at 4 P. M. saw a school of sperm whales at 10 downed 3 boats at 11 struck one and killed

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Latitude 21.40 S

Longitude 155.50. E.

Sunday June 6th

Begins with light breezes and pleasant weather from the S. E. at 1 P. M. took the whale to the ship the other boats still in chase of the whales at sundown came on board middle part lying by the whale latter part at day light commenced cutting at 11 P. M. and commenced bagging and clearing away the head.

Latitude 21.10 S

Longitude 155.50. E.

Monday June 7th 1858

Begins with strong breezes and squally weather with rain from the S. E. ship heading to the N. S. B. much reef in sight bearing S. distant 5 miles at 1 P. M. took to the E. S. E. spoke the Anchor of S. Bedford 32 months out 1800 bbls sperm and whale meal. Middle part squally Latitude 21.40. S.

Longitude 155.55. E.

Tuesday June 8th

Begins with strong breezes and clear weather from the S. E. ship heading to the E. S. E. employed in uttering the 12 gun marks to see if they will not put the patient sail in sight middle and latter part squally at day light saw wreck reef in sight bearing S. S. W. distant 5 leagues Latitude 21.45. S.

Longitude 155.50. E.

Wednesday June 9th

Begins with fresh breezes and squally weather from the E. S. E. carrying sail & and working to the windward to keep clear of the reef at 4 P. M. seized a stick of timber floating in uppermost spar of a ship but so ragged that we could not use it in middle part blowing in an it blew here to our short backs under close reefed main topsail and storm sail latter part blowing heavy and raining saw the stick of timber again.

Latitude 21.35. S.

Longitude 155.40. E.