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Remarks on Wednesday May 15th
 P.M. Commences again with pleasant & mild weather, "atmosphere very clear" this evening. Current setting strong to S.E. Ship heading S.W. by the wind. Starboard watch on deck employed. At 2 1/2 got a dist. between Sun & Moon. Commence up to Sun down the same. Midnight full & by. P.M. Commences with beautiful weather. P.M. Starboard watch on deck employed on numerous duties. Too enough to day. Seen Porpoises and about 100.
 116-47 by Lanner
 Lat 00 15 South Long 117-38 Chron

Remarks on Thursday May 16th
 P.M. Begins the same pleasant & clear. Ship heading S.W. by the wind. Port watch on deck employed. At 2 1/2 got a land dist. Midnight light breeze steering full & by. P.M. pleasant. Large number of Porpoises in sight. P.M. calm. Port watch on deck employed on full payables & attending to other duties. Calm nearly up to P.M.
 Lat 00 27 South Long 116-22

Remarks on Friday May 17th
 P.M. borders to nearly calm, few light sails the appearance that it is to have more soon with rain. At 4 1/2 having a gentle wind with rain. Midnight 1 strongly and wet ship by the wind. P.M. at daylight raining, soon clear away quite pleasant. P.M. Starboard watch on deck employed. Port watch attending to other duties. Later part heavy atmosphere and better ship sailing.
 Lat 00 30 South Long 116-00

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Remarks on Saturday May 18th
 P.M. Leaving fresh tracks, atmosphere becoming more passing clouds. Ship heading S.W. by the wind. At 2 1/2 got a land dist. 1/2 saw porpoises. Midnight pleasant with a fresh wind. - seemed headed by the wind. P.M. not so clear as it might be. Many clouds & hazy. P.M. Port watch on deck employed.

Remarks on Sunday May 19th
 P.M. A fresh wind and quite refreshing ship heading S.W. by the wind. Starboard watch on deck employed. At 2 1/2 got a land dist. Midnight full & by. P.M. thick & hazy. P.M. Starboard watch on deck. P.M. Henry probert saw breaches of weather beams proved to be sperm whales large school of them going S.W. quick 11 1/2 h. toward 7 o'clock for boat went on boatster missed him went on again & miss again missed him that boatster was Frank Rogers ship. He strike his whales or no pay. Whales on remainder the day did not get on. - Frank Rogers is broke struck or starts at no more whales for the China.
 Lat 00 24 South Long 112-58

Remarks on Monday May 20th
 P.M. Boats chasing whales come aboard at San down without success. Steering S.W. by the wind. At 1 1/2 got a land dist. At daylight made sail boat forward stowed along by the wind to 6 P.M. then steered S.W. & 1/2 hour around. Weather is sunny but seeing and quite suggest. Port watch on deck employed repairing damages of yesterday afternoon. It was a sad day's work. There was a great chance for 150 lbs of oil if the whales were struck as ought to be.
 Lat 00 11 South Long 118-28