

104 Ship Courier Whilst Cruising on the Coast Japan.

Sunday Sept. 23rd Commences with light airs from the Eastward with cloudy weather boats off after whales at 4 P.M. took up the Boats at 5 the Whales appeared to be still then 2 miles off. on the Ships weather bow hored away the Boats and tried them again got up very handy at sun set forced to go them up for the want of more day light at 9 took up the boats & shortened Sail for the night, middle part Calm Top Sails closed down on the Deck at day light took a breeze from the E.N.E. hoisted the Top Sail in the fore at 8 took it in again at 9 the weather shot in thick & rainy closed up the Fore & Mizen Top Sails hauled up the Fore Sail at 12 the weather lighted up a little in the Top Sails last night so ends with brisk winds from E.N.E. with thick cloudy weather
No Observation

Monday Sept. 23rd 1839 Commences with brisk winds from the E.N.E. with cloudy standing to the North with close reefed Top Sails and Fore Sail set. at 5 P.M. were Ship at 6 took in the Mizen Top Sail & Fore Sail middle part moderate with cloudy weather at 5 A.M. with the Top Sails with 2 reefs in them at 9 A.M. the weather cleared up fine with a moderate breeze from E.N.E. made all Sail so ends with fine weather saw Fin backs. Lat by Obs. 31.16 Long by Chrt. 175.40

Tuesday Sept. 24th 1839 First part of these 24 hours moderate breezes from the Eastward with fine pleasant weather steering by the wind with the bar-board tack aboard saw Black Fish at 4 P.M. shifted Main Top Sail at 6 shortened Sail for the Night middle part windy weather much as the first part at 6 A.M. turned the Tuck out with the T.G. Libby Spanker at 7 in the Main Top Sail latter part moderate breezes from the E.N.E. and pleasant standing to the South employed repairing the Main Top Sail. so ends these 24 hours
Lat by Obs. 29.42 North.

Wednesday Sept. 25th 1839 Commences with moderate breezes from the E.N.E. with pleasant weather steering N.N.E. with all Sail set at 6 P.M. shortened Sail for the night middle part very light airs at 5 P.M. made all Sail latter part light airs from the S.E. & cloudy weather steering N.N.E. saw Fin Backs so ends employed repairing Main Top Sail Lat by Obs. Sun Obscured.

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Thursday Sept. 26th 1839

Commences with light airs from the S.E. with cloudy weather steering N.N.E. with all Sail set at 6 P.M. shortened Sail middle part moderate pleasant weather at 5 A.M. made all Sail at 6 kept off Boat at 7 saw a large Whale to the N.E. half past 8 hored away the Boats and spent the remainder of the day in trying to catch them but did not as usual, the Whale got along with a dozen more crazy ones took to the windward, so ends.
Lat by Obs. 31.30 Long by Chrt. 176.20 East.

Friday Sept. 27th 1839 First part of these 24 hours light airs from the S.E. with fine pleasant weather Boats of chasing Whales half past 4 came on board took up the boats at 6 P.M. closed down & up every thing for the T.G. Mizen Top Sails calm at 5 A.M. made all Sail latter part faint airs from the S.E. and calm employed repairing the Main Top Sail saw Porpoises so ends these 24 hours Lat by Obs. 30.39 North.

Saturday Sept. 28th 1839 Commences with a faint air from the North and very pleasant steering N.E. with all Sail set at 6 P.M. closed down every thing middle part light airs from the Eastward at 5 A.M. made all Sail latter part very light airs from the Eastward with fine pleasant weather saw a plenty of Birds Porpoises & Grampases so ends
Lat by Obs. 31.00 North

Sunday Sept. 29th 1839 First part of these 24 hours light air from the S.W. at half past 1 P.M. saw a large Whale going quick to the South down boats after him about 4 P.M. got with in about a boats length of him he perceived her and took off as usual half past 6 took up the Boats & shortened Sail middle part faint airs & calm latter part much the same saw a great many Grampases so ends
Lat by Obs. 31.01 North.

At 9 A.M. with the light between the Sun & Moon made the Long 176.16 East 26 miles to the S.E.