

Ship Courier Whist Cruising in the North Pacific

Tuesday June 23rd 1840 Commences with moderate breezes & fine pleasant weather half past 12 hooked onto the whale at 2 finished cutting brass forward middle part vary light airs at 5 A.M. were ship commenced boiling latter part fine pleasant weather employed boiling & stowing down seeds.
Lat by Obs. 26.40 Long by Obs. 165.21

Wednesday June 24th 1840 Commences with moderate breezes & fine pleasant weather standing to the South employed boiling at 10 P.M. finished boiling middle part vary light air at 8 A.M. saw a large whale at 9 loosed away the boats about 12 saw a school of whale. so ends. No Observation

Thursday June 25th 1840 Commences with moderate breezes & fine pleasant weather boats off after whale about 1 struck a large whale & he took the line chased about an hour an half but could not get hold again came on board at 3 loosed for the school again struck a small whale got a boat stove turned the whale up at 5 took him to the ship half past 5 hooked on at 7 finished cutting made all sail by the wind to the North middle part moderate employed chasing away the head at 5 A.M. tacked to the S.E. at halloed up the main sail commenced boiling at 11 saw a large whale so ends. Lat by Obs. 26.21 Long by Obs. 165.31 by line 165.41



Friday June 26th 1840 Commences with moderate pleasant weather half past 12 shot the work down and loosed away the boat for the whale struck him before he went down and he took the line in first no time before another boat could get there chased him about an hour but found it was no use going faster than the boat came on board saw more whales at 3 loosed for them they perceived the boat so off they went better luck next time a hope came on board at 6 took in the main sail & started the fires again middle part vary light airs at 2 A.M. tacked to the North latter part nearly calm employed boiling & stowing down seeds at 12 were ship to the S.E.

Lat by Obs. 26.29 Long by Obs. 165.10

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Saturday June 27th 1840 Commences with vary light airs from the E.N.E. with fine pleasant weather steering by the wind to the S.E. at 3 P.M. finished boiling at 8 shorted sail middle part sun shower of rain ad day light made sail latter part brisk breezes with pleasant weather at 10 kept off West at 12 halled up. all seeds. Lat by Obs. 25.46 Long by Obs. 165.49

Sunday June 28th 1840 Commences with brisk winds from East with fair weather steering N.W. at 5 P.M. shifted to the wind to the North at 7 took in the main sail & J.S. sail at 12 midnight were ship to the S.E. at 5 A.M. doubled reefed the top sails at 6 were ship latter part heavy breezes with thick weather sun rain at 12 were ship to the S.E. so ends. Lat by Obs. 26.48 Long by Obs. 165.20

Monday June 29th 1840 Commences with brisk breezes from the E.N.E. with fair weather steering by the wind with the larboard tacks aboard at 1 P.M. let one reef out of the top sail with the M.S. sail at 7 P.M. took in the main sail & J.S. sail & spanker middle part wind & weather much as the first at 2 A.M. were ship to the North at 5 were back turned the reef out of the main top sail latter part employed ad stowing down & starting water in the J.S. at 10 saw three cher to the North were ship for them but saw nothing more at 12 were ship to the S.E. & with the main sail so ends. these 24 hours.

Lat by Obs. 26.11 Long by Obs. 165.18 West.

Tuesday June 30th 1840 Commences with moderate gale from the E.N.E. with fair weather steering by the wind with the larboard tacks aboard at 7 P.M. shortened sail for the night middle part more moderate at 5 A.M. were ship to the North turned the reef out with the main sail & J.S. & spanker latter part brisk breezes with fair weather employed repairing stowed boat so ends. Lat by Obs. 25.04 Long by Obs. 165.07

Wednesday July 1st 1840 Commences with fresh breezes from the Eastward with fair weather steering by the wind with the starboard tacks aboard at 7 P.M. shortened sail at 12 midnight were ship at 5 A.M. made all sail latter part fine weather employed repairing a boat so ends.
Lat by Obs. 26.05 Long by Obs. 165.16