

Ship Courier Whilst Cruising About the Equator

Sunday Jan. 10th 1841 Commences with equally weather and sun rain half past 12 P.M. and Whales at 1 bored the boats half past 2 started and turned 4 of them up at 4 took two alonged kept off for the others half past 5 took the others along side took in Sail middle part calm with sun rain got ready for cutting at 6 hooked on about 12 finished cutting a moderate breeze from the Eastward with thick cloudy weather so ends

Observations
15 lbs. 15 lbs. 15 lbs. 15 lbs.

Monday Jan. 11th 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze from the Eastward with cloudy weather steering by the wind to the South at 5 P.M. the Edison Howland set her signal for Whales kept off for her made all Sail employed clearing away the heads at 5 P.M. the Edison Howland took her Whales along side we were then within about 2 miles of her luffed to the wind and commenced boiling at 10 P.M. wore ship to the North middle part light air thick and cloudy latter part much rain forced to stop boiling wind all round the House took in the Fore & Mizzen Top Sail put 2 reefs in the Main so ends. No Obs.

Tuesday Jan. 12th 1841 Commences with thick rainy weather at 4 P.M. there appeared but little hopes of better weather on board the H. J. G. Seal, and put it up over the fore works to keep the water out the parts the commenced boiling again, at 12 midnight the weather cleared up took a breeze from the Eastward stood to the North at daylight made Sail latter part moderate trade with pleasant weather employed boiling so ends.

Lat by Obs. 2.44 Long by Obs. 175.18

Wednesday Jan. 13th 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze from the N.E. with fair weather steering by the wind to the N.N.W. at 4 P.M. finished boiling at 6 P.M. wore ship to the Eastward middle part moderate breeze with cloudy weather at 8 A.M. set the Main Sail latter part moderate breezes with cloudy weather employed clearing up between decks and setting up hooks so ends saw Porpoises

Lat by Obs. 3.02 Long by Obs. 175.25

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Thursday Jan. 14th 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze from the N.E. with cloudy weather steering by the wind with the barboard tack aboard at 5 P.M. hooked to the N.N.W. middle and latter part more pleasant so ends Lat by Obs. 2.40 Long by Obs. 174.49

Friday Jan. 15th 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze from the Eastward with fair weather steering by the wind with the barboard tack aboard middle and latter part more of the same latter part employed stowing down at 11 A.M. saw Whales and a ship's boat in chase of them half past 11 bored our boats for the Whales but the other ship's boat got among them before we could get there so ends Lat by Obs. 3.06 Long by Obs. 174.49

Saturday Jan. 16th 1841 Commences with a moderate trade and fine pleasant weather at 2 P.M. finished stowing down tacked to the S.E. with the main sail at 5 P.M. Capt. Parker of the S.H. came on board and stayed until 10 at 12 we tacked to the North at 9 A.M. saw Whales going very quick to the N.E. lured for them chased about an hour but found they were going away from us so got up the chase half past 10 took up the boats stood to the North at 12 tacked to the S.E. so ends Lat by Obs. 2.47

Sunday Jan. 17th 1841 Commences with a moderate trade with pleasant weather steering by the wind to the S.E. the ship S.H. off our weather about 6 miles distant at 2 P.M. saw Whales off our weather low bound with up for the S.H. down boats and after them chased them off about 10 miles the other ship's boats having the chance struck one at 6 P.M. took up our boats & stood to the S.E. at 12 midnight tacked to the North latter part moderate pleasant weather saw Porpoises one. Dashed the S.H. in night hauled boath boarding so ends

Lat by Obs. 2.23 Long by Obs. 174.52 East

Monday Jan. 18th 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze and pleasant weather steering by the wind with the barboard tack aboard middle part much the same latter part very light air standing to the North employed setting up shoos. repaired the Mizzen & Seal sent the Main Royal & Yard up so ends Lat by Obs. 2.46 South

(we have seen Whales 22 times up to Jan. 17th 1841)