

Ship Courier Whilst Cruising in the North Pacific

Thursday Sept. 2nd 1841 Commences with a brisk wind from the North with fair weather steering by the wind with the starboard tacks aboard at 5 P.M. spoke the Francis had taken 4 Whales since i last see him was then a boiling at night shortened sail middle part more moderate wind halled round to the Eastward at day light made all sail half past 5 saw Whales bound to the Westward at 6 bore the boats and chased the remainder of the day so end
Lat by Obs. 29.27

Friday Sept. 3rd 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze with fair weather boats off in pursuit of Whales about 3 P.M. struck a large Whale that sun other Ships boats had ben fast to him, turned him up found part of 3 lines and 5 boxes & one Drug fast to him, belonging to the Ship Ramble of Nantucket. at 6 took the Whale to the Ship then took in sail & got ready for cutting middle part cabin with sun well on, at 6 P.M. commenced cutting remainder of the day all hands hard to work cutting so ends
Lat by Obs. 29.27 Long by Obs. 173.34



Saturday Sept. 4th 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze from the S.E. with fair weather employed cutting at 4 P.M. started the fire in the try works, at 5 finished baling the case, on rove the falls put 2 reefs in the Main Top Sail middle part cloudy with light showers of rain latter part pleasant at 10 A.M. at the fore & main Top Sails Libby & Parker so ends in played boiling.
Lat by Obs. 29.39 Long by Obs. 173.35

Saturday Sept. 5th 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze from the E.N.E. with fair weather at 3 P.M. saw spangled off our lee beam a long way off kept off and made sail at 4 saw them again about the same distance off at 5 shifted to the wind at 6 shortened sail & veered ship to the S.E. middle part wind light and boiling at 2 P.M. it commenced raining sea began to rise fast got the least boat stove our, stopped boiling, latter part brisk gales about 11 P.M. the weather lighted up started the fires again so ends

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Sunday Sept. 6th 1841 Commences with brisk gales from the E.N.E. with thick rainy weather at 5 P.M. veered ship to the North at 7 finished boiling at 10 the weather cleared up fine at daylight with the Top Sails with 2 reefs in them at 10 made all sail but the main sail & fly Libby moderate breeze with fine pleasant weather so ends Lat by Obs. 29.46 Long 173.40 East.

Monday Sept. 7th 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze from the E.N.E. with fine pleasant weather saw the Pacific Greaser to the windward boiling at 5 P.M. bent a new Main Top Sail at 6 P.M. shortened sail for the night middle part windy weather much as the first part at 4 P.M. veered ship at daylight made sail latter part moderate pleasant weather employed moving Bread between decks to make room for oil so ends Lat by Obs. 30.11 Long by Obs. 173.40 East.

Tuesday Sept. 8th 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze from the E.N.E. with pleasant weather steering by the wind with the starboard tacks aboard at 5 P.M. shortened sail for the night middle part moderate pleasant weather at daylight veered ship turned the reef out of the Top Sails with the Libby & Parker commenced coopersing the bil on deck half past 11 finished stowing down made all sail so ends one ship in sight, Lat 29.50 Long 173.40

Wednesday Sept. 9th 1841 All these 24 hours moderate breezes with fine pleasant weather 2 Ships in sight so ends Lat by Obs. 30.14 Long by Obs. 172.58 East.

Thursday Sept. 10th 1841 Commences with a moderate breeze from the S.E. with pleasant passed a barkent saw 2 Ships to the South at 6 P.M. shortened sail for the night middle part wind & weather much as the first part at daylight made sail, latter part light baffling winds with showers of rain one ship in sight so ends Lat by Obs. 29.54 Long by Obs. 173.40 East.

Friday Sept. 11th 1841 All these 24 hours light airs from the North with pleasant weather steering by the wind to the Eastward one ship in sight off our lee so ends, saw 3 barkent, Lat by Obs. 29.51 Long by Obs. 175.10