

Bark Draco of New Bedford.

Sunday May the 29<sup>th</sup> 1853

Begins with fresh breeze from the S.E. heading S.W. at 1. saw sperm whales going quick to the windward did not lower the boats. At being unable without steam. Middle part heading S.E. Under short sail. Latter part made sail heading S.W. one said in sight to the S. has the appearance of a whale (course variable).  
Latt. 24. 42. S.  
Long. 106. 52. W.

Low. One said.

Long. 106. 52. W.

N.W. current

Monday May the 30<sup>th</sup> 1853

Begins with moderate breeze from the S.E. heading S.W. at 3. tacked to the S.W. the above mentioned said in sight to the windward. Middle part heading S.E. latter part S.W. current setting to the S.W.  
Latt. 24. 50. S.  
Long. 106. 42. W.

Fin backs plenty

Tuesday May the 31<sup>st</sup> 1853

Begins moderate breeze from the S.E. heading S.W. at 4. tacked to S.E. at 6. tacked to the S. Middle & latter part heading S.W. saw fin back.  
Latt. 25. 32. S.  
Long. 106. 42. W.

Westerly current

Wednesday June the 1<sup>st</sup> 1853

Begins with light breeze from S.E. heading S. Middle part S.W. latter part light air & variable with light showers of rain. saw fin back plenty.  
Latt. 26. 01. S.  
Long. 106. 35. W.

W. & S.

Thursday June the 2<sup>nd</sup> 1853

Begins with light air & calms. with light showers at 3. P.M. saw sperm whale at a distance hurried the boats on shore. without success. at dark came to the ship & took up the boat. Middle part light air from the N.W. & rising steering S. latter part light air & variable.  
Latt. 25. 17. S.  
Long. 106. 58. W.

Cruising off New Holland. June 1853.

Friday June the 3<sup>rd</sup> 1853

Begins with light breeze from the S.W. steering S. Middle & latter part heading S.W. strong breeze from back plenty.  
Latt. 25. 53. S.  
Long. 108. 10. W.

Saturday June the 4<sup>th</sup> 1853

Begins with strong breeze from the S. heading S.E. Middle & latter part fresh breeze heading S.W. pointed the starboard boat on side.  
Latt. 25. 55. S.  
Long. 109. 20. W.

Pointed the Starboard boat on side.

Fin backs plenty

Sunday June the 5<sup>th</sup> 1853

Begins with fresh breeze from the S. heading S.W. Middle & latter part moderate breeze from S.E. heading S.W. saw fin backs.  
Latt. 26. 06. S.  
Long. 109. 10. W.

Monday June the 6<sup>th</sup> 1853

Begins with moderate breeze from S.E. heading S.W. Middle & latter part the same. plenty of fin backs.  
Latt. 26. 39. S.  
Long. 108. 20. W.

Low fin backs & sperm whale

Tuesday June the 7<sup>th</sup> 1853

Begins with moderate breeze from S.E. heading S.W. at 2. saw sperm whale going S.E. at 2. lowered the boats. the whale saw the boat. The boat until dark without success. came to the ship & took on sail. heading S. Middle part the same. latter part moderate breeze from the S. heading S.E. saw fin backs.  
Latt. 26. 45. S.  
Long. 108. 30. W.

W. & S.