

Journal of a Whaling Voyage to the North Pacific

Sunday Sept. 12th A.D. 1852

First part fresh breeze from N.W. and some fog. Ship going South all sail out the water employ in ships duties Middle and latter part calm and light N.E. breeze steering South was nothing the water employ in ships duties

Monday Sept. 13th 1852

First part light wind from S.E. and pleasant steering by the wind to the S. word Middle and latter part calm and overcast the water employ in ships duties thus Ends this day

Tuesday Sept. 14th 1852

First part calm and light variable winds the water employ in ships duties Middle and latter part strong wind from East overcast steering South the lightest sail possible saw nothing thus Ends this day Lat. 41.50 N. Long. 152.40 E

Wednesday Sept. 15th 1852

First part strong wind at S.E. steering S. saw nothing Middle and latter part follows a gale from S.E. the ship hove to on both tack foggy weather thus Ends this day Lat. 41.50 N. Long. 152.40 E

Thursday Sept. 16th 1852

First part blow a moderate gale from S.E. the ship under easy sail head S. and N. the ship Middle and latter part light variable winds at N. and some fog steering S.E. all sail out thus Ends this day Lat. 41.50 N. Long. 151.56 E

Ocean by John T. Barstow on Board the Ship Erie

Friday Sept. 17th A.D. 1852

First part light airs from North and some fog steering S.E. all sail out Middle and latter part light variable winds from N. and steering S.E. at 7 P.M. saw a pair of Puffins. Whales at 4 lowered the boats the whale being very shy could not get hold a ship in sight thus Ends this day Lat. 41.56 N.

Saturday Sept. 18th 1852

First part light airs and calm at 2 P.M. saw more right whale lowered all the boats the whales shy could not get fast came on board at 5 P.M. spoke the Ship Corinthian 5 whales this season Capt. Stewart came on board Middle and latter part calm and light airs from S.E. steering by the wind to N.E. some fog at intervals saw the Corinthian to windward thus Ends this day Lat. 41.50 N.

Sunday Sept. 19th 1852

First part fine wind from S.E. steering to the wind to the N.E. spoke the Corinthian saw Makarautu Is. bearing E by S. saw Michael Middle and latter part strong wind from S.E. and overcast steering by the wind on both tacks the Corinthian to leeward Makarautu Is. to windward thus Ends this day

Monday Sept. 20th 1852

First part fresh breeze at S.E. by S. and good weather steering by the wind to East. saw the Cor. to leeward Middle and latter part strong gales from S.E. and having the ship under close reefed topsail hauled N.E. by the wind foggy weather Lat. 41.50 N. Long. 151.56 E got a Sparrow. Obs. of measuring the second man the Long. of Sparrow 154.30 E