

Journal on board

S.P.O. 11 March 1873

Sunday Mar 23rd

This morning all hands were called at five to haul up cable and make sail. we rounded 1 Buinquin point at about eight, and at eleven dropped anchor in Taleahuan Bay for the last time this voyage I hear.

Monday 24

Today we have been making preparations to take freight probably the Mary^{3rd} Susan's oil

Tuesday Mar 25th

I am really tired tonight and do not care to go on shore. for with five light men to hoist 1000 lbs of meat out of the hold for one that has done no work for so long. it goes hard

Wednesday Mar 26

A We are slowly but just as certainly getting ready to take oil. a bad day to work this

Thursday Mar 27

This morning the Mary^{3rd} Susan hauled alongside of us and hoisted 360 bbls. of oil on our deck and we stowed some of it down. watch on shore at night

Friday Mar 28

Stowing down and clearing out the main and after holds to stow on. chocked off the fore hold this morning watch on shore about an hour

Bark Alfred Gibbs

In Port March 1873

Saturday Mar 29

Work this time in port is plentiful today the M^{3rd} S. came alongside again and we took the remainder of her oil. - 640 bbls. all told and stowed some of it down

Sunday Mar 30

The starboard watch went on shore today. but whether it was liberty or not I do not know we had to come on board at 8 P.M. dull times on shore. only three whalers here this time and only two more to come. two years ago there was 13 here and quite a number yet to come

Monday Mar 31st

Finished stowing oil today but saw nothing but work for the next fortnight for all that the watch was on shore scarcely an hour tonight

Tuesday Mar April 1873

Tuesday Apr 1st

Our work is but just begun although one part is finished today we have been getting ready for water

Wednesday 2nd

Took on water today and this afternoon the John Garver's boat came and took some meat bread &c. I am glad to see it go. it all seems to say homeward bound