

Cruising in the South Pacific Ocean

Wednesday Aug 24th 1842

Blowing fresh. Spoke the Bark Henry of Salem, 13 mos 176 kts. Made parts running off. Latter part, steering N. W. Saw nothing. So ends.
Gath 2.11 N.
Gong 93.59 W.

Thursday Aug 25th 1842

Strong winds from South and pleasant weather. Saw porpoises. Steering N. W. At 7 pm took in sail, steering by the wind.
Gath South
Gong West.

Friday Aug 26th 1842

Strong trades. Course N. W. Made parts, looking too. Latter strong.
Gath South
Gong West.

Saturday Aug 27th 1842

Steering by the wind to the E. N. E. At 2 doubled up the topsails. Made and latter strong. So ends these 24 hours.
Gath South
Gong West.

Sunday Aug 28th 1842

These 24 hours strong trades and squally weather. Set the main topgallant sail over a buffed topsail. So ends.
Gath South
Gong West.

Monday Aug 29th 1842

Squally weather. Caught a porpoise. Made and latter parts, strong as usual. So ends.
Gath South
Gong West.

Fleeter Cruising in the South Pacific

Tuesday August 30th 1842

Strong trades. The ship under reefed topsails. Made parts the same 3 pm. Saw a ship ahead. Directly after saw breaches of the weather bow. 12 m. saw a large school of whales going quick to the windward.
Gath South
Gong West.

Wednesday August 31st 1842

Lowered 3 boats for the whales. Small whales, but very wild. Chased till 5 pm. without success. Bow Boat killed one whale. 5.30 pm. Garboora boat another. Took 2 whales to the ship. Am commencing cutting. So ends these 24 hours.
Gath South
Gong West.

Thursday Sept 1st 1842

Strong trades, commenced cutting, washed off the decks. At 9 wore ship to the S. E. with strong breeze. Latter part, much the same. Ends these hours.
Gath South
Gong West.

Friday Sept 2^d 1842

Saw porpoises. At 12 m. finished boiling. Latter part, fine. At the mainsail, shook the buff of the topsails. Saw nothing. So ends.
Gath South
Gong West.