

# Ship's Log - Howland

Monday

May 1<sup>st</sup> First and Middle part of this day moderate gales from the North and West steering East with steadingsails set below and aloft at 7 bells raised 4 or 5 scattering whales ahead of us took in light sails lowered down our boats and killed 1 of them before we took him to the ship it set in thick rainy weather at 11 began to cut masts with rain weather cleared at 12 M. 10 hrs  
Boat Boat 45 lbs

Tuesday

May 2<sup>nd</sup> At 1 P.M. the vessel hauled West and steered off at 3 P.M. finished cutting and began to hoist Middle and Latter part clear with light airs from all points of the compass

Lat by obs 37° 11' N  
Long by Chron 75° 40'

Wednesday

May 3<sup>rd</sup> Began with light Easterly airs and clear at 6 P.M. finished hoisting from 8 P.M. to 4 P.M. wind at 10 steering W. by E. The wind from the South the remainder part of the day at 10 A.M. made St. Maria Island the North part of it bearing East Dist by Est 25 miles at meridian standing in to the E. by E.

# Bound to Saltahuano from a Cruiser

Thursday

May 4<sup>th</sup> At 4 P.M. took off shore heading up the river wind at 10 P.M. at 10 P.M. the wind shifted to the South steered S. by E. with light airs Latter part calm lowered 2 boats for humpbacks could not fasten stowed down 45 lbs sperm oil between decks no land in sight at meridian  
Lat by obs 36° 49' S

Friday

May 5<sup>th</sup> First part wind at South hauled in East at 4 P.M. made the Paps of brier wheel at 5 P.M. saw hundreds of humpbacks at 5 P.M. took in steadingsails and topgallants set stood off and on the Paps through the night at 4 P.M. squared away for guacana at meridian near the harbours mouth becalmed

Saturday

May 6<sup>th</sup> P.M. worked up the bay against a light Northerly wind at 6 P.M. came to an anchor in 9 fathoms water 8 or 10 ships lights from the buoy and distant from the town of Saltahuano 1 1/2 miles at day light in the morning weather and stood up to the common anchorage and brought to in 6 fathoms water towed in a raft of fresh water casks the watering places were occupied by other ships there is three American whalers here The L. Coffin Santerbet The Barque Herper & B. and Hobomac of Palmaria and 12 French right whalers 5 of them in horse shoe bay