

1869

Bark James Spaworth Log Book

Mon Oct 18th

Begins with light breeze from S.W. and pleasant ship steering by the wind to Westward Middle part the same Latter part strong winds from N.W. ship steering S.W. saw a school of sperm whales going quick to windward cleared away the boats but no success broke out 342 Sals of Water

Lat 30.26 S

Long 164.56 W

Tues Oct 19th

Begins with strong winds from N.E. ship steering S.W. under all sail Middle part took in sail at day light made all sail and kept off S.W. Latter part the same

Lat 31.26 S

Long 163.31 W

Wednes Oct 20th

Begins the same ship steering the same Middle part strong winds and rainy Latter part Moderate Sals from N.W. ship steering S.W. by W

Lat 32.26 S

Long 161.35 W

Thurs Oct 21st

Begins the same ship steering N.E. at 4 P.M. took in top Gallant Sails and Double reefed the top Sails Middle part heavy rain Latter part clear and pleasant with light air from N.W. ship steering by the wind to N.E.

Lat 32.23 S

Long 159.50 W

Fry Oct 22nd

Begins the same ship steering the same Middle part strong winds from N.W. ship steering W by S Latter part the same

John C Smith Master

Sat Oct 23rd

Begins with strong winds from N.W. ship steering to S.W. under all sails Middle part strong winds and heavy Thunder with Rain Latter part the same

Lat 33.22 S

Long 158.36 W

Sund Oct 24th

Begins with heavy weather and Thunder ship under short sail Middle part the same Latter part Moderate Sals from N.W. ship steering S.W. and S.W. under close reef Main top sail

Lat 35.04 S

Long 158.33 W

Mon Oct 25th

Begins much the same at 4 P.M. wind hauled to S.W. ship laying to on the starboard tack Middle part the same Latter part more moderate Watch employed in repairing the fore top sail

Tues Oct 26th

Begins with light S.E. Middle part equally ship working to the southward Latter part the same with Saff broke out 442 Sals Water

Wednes Oct 27th

Begins with strong winds from W and bluch ship steering by the wind to S.W. under all sails Middle part wind from S.W. fore ship and stood to N.W.