

1871

Bark James Maurer Log Book

Dry Feb 10th

Begins with good weather
at day light called all hands and hooked
on the Whale at 8⁰⁰ AM got the Whales
head off at 11⁰⁰ AM got his Body in
and hooked in to the Head at 4⁰⁰ PM
got the Case Built and over Board and
got ready to start the Works

Sat Feb 11th

Begins with good weather
at day light started the works Ship
under short sail working to the West
Middle and Leatter parts the same
Lat 42⁰⁰ 42³⁰

Sund Feb 12th

Begins the same Watch
employed in Berlin Ship working the
South under short Sail Middle and
Leatter parts the same

Mond Feb 13th

Begins the same Ship
under short Sail Billings Middle part
the same Leatter part the same got
through Billings and cleared up
Lat 42⁰⁰ 50³⁰
Long 126⁰⁰ 10⁰⁰ W

Tues Feb 14th

Begins with good weather
Ship cruising to the N⁰⁰ E of the Island
saw Blk Fish Middle part the same
Leatter part the same

John C. Smith Master

Wednes Feb 15th

Begins with good weather
at day light began to start down
the Oil Ship steering W S W for the
Sisters Middle part the same
Leatter part Wind from the eastward
Sisters in sight Bearing S S W

Thurs Feb 16th

Begins with good weather
Ship working to windward towards
the land about 15 Miles off shore
Middle part the same Ship started
off shore to N⁰⁰ E saw sperm Whales
cleared away the Boats and never
saw the Whales after the Boats
landed and came on Board
Lat 43⁰⁰ 30³⁰
Long 126⁰⁰ 30⁰⁰ W

Fri Feb 17th

Begins with strong Winds
from Eastward Ship cruising to the
N⁰⁰ E of the Main Island saw nothing
but Blk Fish Middle and Leatter
parts the same

Sat Feb 18th

Begins the same Ship
cruising the same saw nothing Winds
from E and cloudy Middle and
Leatter parts the same

Sund Feb 19th

Begins with good weather
and Winds from Eastward with
Land in sight Ship cruising under
all prudent Sail