

1831

Bark James Maury Log Book

Sund Dec 10th

Begins with Moderate Sails from S W Ship laying two Middle part more moderate Latter part good weather

Mon Dec 11th

Begins with good weather Ship working to the Southward Ship's log 36 Strokes per 24 hours Middle and Latter parts the same

Tues Dec 12th

Begins with good weather and fresh Winds from S W at Ship working to the Southward under all Sail at 1 1/2 O'Clock saw a school of Sperm Whales going to N E chased away the Boats and chased them Starboard Boat struck and got one at 4 O'Clock took the Whale along side and got ready for cutting Latter part Wind blowing up fresh
Lat 42° 08' S
Long 174° 30' W

Wednes Dec 13th

Begins with fresh Sails at day light called all hands and hooked on to the Whale at 10 O'Clock had the Head off at 1 O'Clock got the Body in and hooked on to the Head at 5 O'Clock had the Case Bailed and over board and chased up Decks Wind blowing strong and rugged

Thurs Dec 14th

Begins the same got ready and started the Works Middle and Latter part weather the same employed in Bailing

John C Smith Master

Fry Dec 15th

Begins with good weather ship under Short Sail Bailing nothing in Sight Middle and Latter parts the same

Sat Dec 16th

Begins the same ship on the same ground cruising and Bailing Middle part the same Latter part the same got through Bailing and washed off

Sund Dec 17th

Begins with good weather ship cruising on the same ground nothing in sight Middle and Latter parts the same
Lat 42° 30' S

Mon Dec 18th

Begins the same ship cruising under all Sail on the same ground saw nothing Middle and Latter parts the same

Tues Dec 19th

Begins with light Airs from S W and good weather at 2 O'Clock saw sperm Whales going quick to windward chased away the Boats and chased them no chase Whales going to quick
Lat 43° 08' S
Long 175° 12' W

Wednes Dec 20th

Begins with good weather ship cruising under all Sail Cooper employed in repairing old bark and setting up Shakes

Thurs Dec 21st

Begins the same ship cruising the same nothing in Sight Middle and Latter parts the same