

Journal of a voyage on board Ship Jasper from

Remarks on board Tuesday January the 14th 1840

Commences with strong winds from N.W. We employed
cutting a 2 P.M. finished at 4 began to boil steering off E
Very rugged at 9 P.M. cooled down and closed reefed at 10 sail
Saw plenty right Whales all that we want is good weather
Latter part moderate winds from W.N.W.
At 6 P.M. began to boil and made sail and
Hauled to the N at 9 wore ship to the S
Lat 45.24 S Long 136.47 E

Remarks on board Wednesday January the 15th

Begins with light breezes from W.N.W. at noon
Wore ship to the N with a heavy swell from N.W.
At 4 P.M. saw Whales too late to lower employed
Boiling at 9 P.M. saw Whales lower and
struck 2 and killed one and cut from one
At 11 finished boiling very pleasant weather
Lat 45.05 S Long 136.55 E

Remarks on board Thursday January the 16th

Commences with light breezes from N.W. at 1
P.M. took the Whale to the ship at 2 began to
cut at 3 finished at 4 began to boil
At 5 P.M. began to stow down the
After hold saw Whales too large
To lower heading N.W. and N.E.
Lat 45.08 S Long 136.55 E 75

Fairhaven towards New Zealand Howland Seavitt Master

Remarks on board Friday January the 17th

Commences with strong breezes from N.W. with
thick weather heading W.S.W. employed boiling and
stowing down at 4 P.M. finished stowing 95 barrels
At 6 P.M. wore ship heading N.W. at 10 P.M. saw one
Whale going very quick lowerd without success finished
Boiling all hands employed stowing down the main hold
Lat 45.09 S Long 136.42 E

Remarks on board Saturday January the 18th

Commences with moderate breezes from N.W. steering
E at 2 P.M. lowerd for the same Whale and struck
And killed him at 4 P.M. took him to the ship and began
to cut and lowerd without success at 8 finished at 11
Began to boil middle and latter
Wind from W to S thick cloudy
Weather saw one ship steering E
Still hands employed boiling and
fitting the windlass and main topsail eye
Lat 45.07 S Long 137.40 E 75

Remarks on board Sunday January the 19th

Commences with strong breezes from S heading E.S.E.
With cloudy weather employed boiling at 8 P.M.
Finished boiling and began to stow down
Lat by D.R. 45.15 S Long 139.00 E

Remarks on board Monday January the 20th

Commences with strong breezes from N.W. at 2
P.M. finished stowing down and lowerd for Whales
And struck 2 and killed and cut from him and
Drawed from the other at 4 came on board middle and
Latter part blowing strong from N.W. with rain gales
Lat 45.48 S Long 142.16 E