

Ship La Fayette on the North West Coast

Friday May 8th

Lat. 53.00
Long 142.30

Light airs and calms with clear weather
Mia and Lotta part calm with thick
rainy weather

Saturday May 9th

Lat. 53.11 N
Long 144.27 W

Strong breezes and thick weather at 4 P.M.
saw a R. Whale lunge and chased at night
took in sail at 9 A.M. saw another whale lunge
and chased without success

Sunday May 10th

Lat. 54.40
Long 145.00

Strong breezes from E.S.E. steering S.W. saw
a Big King S at night took in sail Mia
and Lotta part thick and rainy saw 1 whale

Monday May 11th

Lat. 54.30
Long 147.00

Strong gale from E.S.E. to E.N.E. and strong
heaving N.W. at 5 P.M. were ship to S.E.
Mia and Lotta part the same

Tuesday May 12th

Lat. 54.10
Long 148.00

Strong gales and stormy weather lying
to under close reef Main Top sail heading
S.E. to S.S.E. at 11 A.M. split the Top Top
most stay sail

Wednesday May 13th

Lat. 54.50
Long 147.30

Commenced with a gale from S.E. heading
S.W. Mia part more moderate at 6 A.M.
made sail Lotta part heading E.N.E.

Thursday May 14th

Lat. 55.00
Long 147.50

Commenced with light winds from S.E. heading
E.N.E. at 4 P.M. saw whales lunge and chased
Mia part calm at 6 A.M. saw whales lunge
and chased

Continued

Friday May 15th

Lat. 55.10
Long 147.40

Light breezes from the N.W. at 1 P.M. lunge
the Boats for whales at night took in sail Mia
part moderate at 7 A.M. saw whales lunge
and struck 1 to S. Boat at noon took him
to the ship

Saturday May 16th

Lat. 55.00
Long 147.50

Fine weather at 2 P.M. commenced cutting
at night took down at 4 A.M. commenced
again at 7 A.M. finished and made sail
and commenced boiling

Sunday May 17th

Lat. 54.40
Long 147.40

Light breezes from S.E. and fine weather employed
in boiling Mia part the same Lotta part
foggy saw 2 whales going to seaward quick

Monday May 18th

Lat. 54.50
Long 147.30

Strong breezes from S. employed in boiling
Mia and Lotta part thick and rainy

Tuesday May 19th

Lat. 54.55
Long 147.40

Strong breezes from N.W. at 3 P.M. saw once
lunge for a whale at 4 P.M. spoke ship
Gordon of New Bedford 17 months ago
Lotta part employed in stowing oil

Wednesday May 20th

Lat. 55.00
Long 147.40

Strong breezes with thick rainy weather employed
in stowing oil at 2 P.M. lunge the Boats
for whales Mia and Lotta part much
the same at 11 A.M. finished stowing oil
3 ships in sight