

Ship Leonidas off West Coast

Saturday January 2nd 1841

All these 24 hours fresh gales from South to SE & mostly cloudy all hands employed in cutting at 6:30 PM spoke ship John Adams sailing her last whale haul home sent letters

Sunday 3rd

No Observations

All these 24 hours fresh gales from South & rough sea first part finest cutting and started the works so ends all hands employed in sailing cutting up punks and gaws &c fresh gales & some squally

Monday 4th

Latitude 34° 49'

First & middle of these 24 hours fresh 110° 02' gales from South later moderate from SW and some squally steered to SLE by the wind under haly. Topsails saw a ship to leeward but no whales Latitude 34° 45'

Tuesday 5th

Long at 4 PM 117° 43'

First part fine breezes from SW & fine weather middle unsteady breezes and cloudy later strong gales squally with rain first 8:30 AM & sails at Meridian fair with fresh gales & rough sea watch employed in boiling

Lat — 35° 13'

Wednesday 6th

Long — 110° 15'

All these 24 hours strong gales from SW to SSW with hard squalls & rain headed to SLE at 10 PM finest cutting

Latitude 35° 36'

Thursday 7th

First part of these 24 hours fresh breezes from South under double reefs later moderate employed in stowing down saw 2 ships Latitude 35° 15'

Friday 8th

All these 24 hours light breezes from South & mostly cloudy first part finest stowing down spoke ships Hercules & Mary Michel later steered to the westward

N Holland for Sperm Whales

Saturday January 9th

First and middle of these 24 hours lively breezes from SW & fair later strong & rough sea under double reefs steered to SLE watch employed in ships Duty Cooper repairing water Casks

Latitude 35° 54'

Sunday 10th

Long at 4 112° 45'

First part strong breezes from SW headed to SLE at 3 took in sail at 6 wore ship to WSW middle more moderate later moderate breezes from WSW & overcast steered to SW under all sail at very high swell from SW so ends these 24 hours Latitude 35° 26'

Long about 111° 30'



Monday 11th

All these 24 hours moderate breezes from SW to South & mostly cloudy first part steered to SW by the wind at 4 raised a shoal of whales lowered truck kilt & took along side once whale later all hands employed in cutting at Merid had the body & junk in No Observations

Tuesday 12th

First and middle moderate breezes from SLE to South and overcast finest cutting case cut the junk cleared & washed decks and started the works ends with fresh breezes from SW & flying clouds at 10 wore ship to SLE all hands employed in bracking out & starting head in larger Casks to have them for riders Latitude 34° 50'

Wednesday 13th

Long at 5 PM 111° 05'

First part strong breezes from SW & clear under double reefs heading to SLE saw a ship to windward middle & later fresh breezes & mostly cloudy at 9 PM wore ship to SW employed in boiling Latitude 35° 12'

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