

Barque Lexington on Japan in 1843

Friday the 18th of May. Fine part light abeam by
Mines and fine weather and headed to the
Eastward under all sail saw many squid but
no whales - Middle part under ship sail
Latter part under all sail with fresh winds from
SE but nothing particular in sight this evening

Saturday the 19th fresh winds from SE and fine
headed to the SE under all sail - Middle part
much the same - Latter part the the weather
the same and employed in breaking out the stores
for various articles - thus the day ended

Sunday the 21st commenced with fresh winds from
SE and clear weather with and standing to the East
Middle part much the same - Latter part moderate
SE under all sail the evening the same - Latter part 33° E

Monday the 22nd at 10 PM the wind shifted from
SE to E and we stood SE under all sail at 7 the
Middle part the same - Latter part the same
wind SE and fine headed SE at 7 this evening

Tuesday the 23rd commenced with fresh winds from
SE and fine at 10 PM saw 2 sail to the SE
at 10 spoke them and was the Captain of the
exantrephed 20 months old the other ship
Exantrephed 26 months - 20 PM
Latter part fine and the 2 ships in sight SE

Wednesday the 24th fresh winds and fine at 8
spoke the 2 ships and the Captain went on
board and got a full story - Middle part the
same of rain - Latter part strong winds and clear
at 9 PM saw 3 ships whales however had within
reach have seen the ship which started the
evening was SE

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Thursday the 25th commenced with strong winds
from the SE and pleased at 4 PM saw 1 more
whale going quick to windward however the
boat and chains were too far off - at 7 PM
sail - the 2 ships in sight and the other ship
Middle part under easy sail - Latter part much
the same so ended this day

Friday the 26th fine part fresh winds and fine
and 8 sails in sight and on them what may
Middle part light winds and under ship sail
Latter part light and squally and on sail in
sight but no whales this evening

Saturday the 27th fine weather and looking
about for whales with the winds SE and 3 sail
in sight at 7 PM spoke the 2 ships and sail headed SE
Middle part the same - Latter part fine and
3 sail in sight this evening

Sunday the 28th fine part fresh winds and
fine at 3 PM spoke the ship Omega of exantrephed
30 months and with 11 PM spoke the Captain
of the same - Middle part the same - Latter
part the same this evening

Monday the 29th fine weather and light winds
and under all sail at 7 PM in company with
the Captain of the Omega - Middle part the same
Latter part under all sail and 11 PM spoke the ship
and 11 PM in sight but no whales yet 27th

Tuesday the 30th moderate winds and fine weather
over the ground and no much wind - Middle part
fine under the top sails headed SE - Latter part
under all at 11 PM spoke the ship exantrephed
of exantrephed 18 months and with 10 PM spoke the ship