

Remarks On board R. H.

Dec 8th

Friday First of these 24 hours fine weather & N.E. wind. R.H. steering by the wind Capt came on board at 5 P.M. mid & latter parts light winds. Land in sight so ends this day Lat 29.40 Long 166.55 W

Dec 9th

Saturday First of these 24 hours fine weather & strong Easterly winds. R.H. steering by the wind. mid & latter parts weather much the same at 6 P.M. raised a school of sperm whales going quickly to N.W. covered for the N.E. & the N.P. & R.B. both got a whale off each so ends this day

Dec 10th

Sunday First of these 24 hours fine weather & a moderate breeze from E. astward got our whales to the ship. at 2 P.M. the other 2. Boats chased the school off but did not get on came on board & sent one whale in before dark mid & latter parts blowing fresh with frequent rain squalls cut our other whale in this morning so ends this day Lat 30.56 Long 166.08

Dec 11th

Monday First of these 24 hours blowing fresh from S.E. R.H. under lower main topsail & stay sails hands employed cutting junk & baling. Case mid & latter parts equally so ends this day Lat 31.12 Long 165.43

Dec 12th

Tuesday First of these 24 hours cloudy weather & N.E. wind hands employed boiling mid & latter parts the same finished boiling at 6 A.M. so ends this day Lat 31.31 Long 165.46

Dec 13th

Wednesday First of these 24 hours hazy weather & N.E. wind. R.H. steering N.W. mid & latter parts strong N.E. wind & cloudy weather. R.H. steering N.W. by W. employed slaving down so ends this day Lat 32.35 Long 163.43

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Dec 14th

Thursday First of these 24 hours cloudy weather & strong N.E. winds. R.H. steering N.W. by W. saw 4 porpoises mid & latter parts strong N.E. wind with much rain so ends this day no C.B.

Dec 15th

Friday First of these 24 hours hazy weather & Northardly wind. R.H. steering N.W. by W. & N.W. mid & latter parts light variable wind so ends this day Lat 33.34 Long 160.53

Dec 16th

Saturday First of these 24 hours fine weather light variable wind & calm. R.H. steering N.W. by W. mid & latter parts weather much the same so ends this day Lat 33.44 Long 160.40 E

Dec 17th

Sunday First of these 24 hours fine weather & light wind from N.E. R.H. steering N.W. by W. saw a steamer to day mid part variable wind latter part strong squalls from the Westward with rain took in all sail but fore & mainmast. Hired 5 topsails so ends Lat 34.06 Long 158.25

Dec 18th

Monday First of these 24 hours variable wind & cloudy weather. R.H. under lower main topsail & stay sail mid & latter parts blowing a gale from N.W. so ends this day Lat 33.12 Long 158.43

Dec 19th

Tuesday First of these 24 hours blowing fresh from N.W. with a heavy sea running mid part more moderate latter part fine weather. Raised the Peri mid off & lowered Island to day so ends this day Lat 32.27 Long 160.04

Dec 20th

Wednesday First of these 24 hours fine weather & light variable wind saw 4 porpoises & 3 whales mid part strong breeze latter part blowing a gale from the N.W. so ends this day Lat 32.44 Long 159.12

Dec 21st

Thursday First of these 24 hours hazy weather & strong N.W. wind. R.H. steering by the wind under lower topsails & mainmast mid & latter parts Easterly wind so ends this day Lat 32.52 Long 157.53