

Remarks on Board of Ship Mowongo of New Bedford

Wednesday May 16th 1860. First part light breezy steering E. V. W. saw nothing remarkable. Middle and latter part light breezy and foggy rainy weather heading to the Westward. Saw Humpback Killers and 10 or 12 Junks.

Thursday May 17th Continues light breezy and foggy heading to the Westward. Mid & Latter Part the same. Nothing in sight but Junks.

Friday May 18th First part light breezy from the Westward heading to the Southward. Mid & Latter part light breezy heading fairer. V. W. saw nothing but Finbacks & Humpbacks and Japanese Junks.

Lat by Obs 39.20 N. Long by Obs 137.50 E

Saturday May 19th Commences with light breezy from the Westward steering by the wind to the Southward. Middle part light breezy under short sail. Latter part moderate steering to the N.W. Saw nothing.

Lat by Obs 40.10 N. Long 136.50 E

Sunday May 20th Continues moderate steering to the Westward. Middle and latter part moderate breezy from N.E. steering to the Westward. Saw an English Bark and spoke her the P. did not ascertain where she was from but bound for Hokkaido. Saw plenty of Finbacks.

Lat by Obs 40.10 N
Long by Obs 134.50 E

W. H. M. Master. Cruising in Japan Sea

Wednesday May 30th 1860. Continues Rainy dirty weather wind from the Eastward heading to the Southward. Started 1st Bl. & 1st Bl. of 1st Bl. Middle part strong breezy. Latter part moderate breezy. Employed in boiling. Saw 4 Ships 2 boiling. Saw Finbacks.

Thursday May 31st Moderate breezy & clear weather. 3 P.M. saw a Whale and lowered 4.30 returned no luck. Took back Pioneer. Barker of N.B. 3 Whales the season. Mid & Latter part fine weather finished boiling. Employed in cleaning bones drying it. Saw 4 Sails & Finbacks.

Lat by Obs 42.19 N

Friday June 1st Continues fine weather. Stowing away the bone 3 P.M. saw a Whale & lowered & chased could not get fast 7 P.M. took up the boat saw a backy boat fast to a Whale. land in sight. Middle and latter part light air & calm. Employed in stowing down oil in M. Hatches. Saw Finbacks & 6 Ships.

Lat by Obs 42.28 N

Saturday June 2nd First part light breezy at 4 P.M. saw a Whale & lowered. L. Boat almost struck him but he kicked himself clear. 8 P.M. finished stowing down. Middle & Latter part light breezy and pleasant. Saw Finbacks. the Land and 8 Ships.

So Ends this day

Lat 42.33 N. Long 131.64 E

Sunday June 3rd Continues moderate breezy steering to the N.E. Middle part Lay aback. Latter part fresh breezy steering by the wind on different tack. Saw several ships some of them Whaling. but no sight for us. Spoke Ship vesper Bailey of New London 22 months out 700 lbs. all told. So Ends.

Latitude by Obs 42.33 N
Longitude by Obs 131.43 E