

Bank Men in the Pacific

Friday August 2nd 1844

Began with strong breeze squally with showers of rain cut up our small whale but the blubber in junk cask at 6 AM more to south hour too during the night steered off at day light ran in for the middle of bay got the work going at 9 AM more run to north middle and last part fresh gale and fair wind 11 AM Lat 13-19 S by 172-25 W

Saturday August 3rd 1844

There 24 hours strong gales from 1 AM to 11 AM at day light more to south finished hauling at 5 AM filled 14 blubs Lat 12-55 S by 172-28 W

Sunday August 4th 1844

There 24 hours strong gales and squally on different tacks on the north side bay Obs Lat 13-19 S by 172-33 W

Monday August 5th 1844

There 24 hours fresh gales and the most hot fair weather Wind East to 18 AM at 2 AM tacked in shore at 11 AM went in with the bar but could get nothing no Obs

Tuesday August 6th 1844

Began with moderate breeze squally at 11 AM came on board from the north side bay but Joseph Rasmussen by Desolation then to middle and last part Wind baffling variable and shower with Calms run round the West end of bay Obs Lat 13-47 North

Ocean Whaling & General Mast

Wednesday August 7th 1844

There 24 baffling variable Wind and squally with heavy showers of rain Wind East to north at 4 AM took in a boat load of biscuits a boat 500 headed to north between 18 and 21 at day light tacked head on 18 AM Lat Obs 13-59 S by 172-36 W

Thursday August 8th 1844

There 24 hours moderate and Calm in squally with showers of rain Wind East to 11 AM at 3 PM tacked to north off the S point of bay Lat Obs 14-47 S

Friday August 9th 1844

There 24 hours baffling Wind from East to 11 AM with showers some Calms Obs Lat to 30 Lat Obs 15-38 S by 172-11

Saturday August 10th 1844

There 24 hours unsteady baffling mild and variable with Calms and squally with showers Lat Obs 15-41 S by 171-45 W

Sunday August 11th 1844

There 24 hours light Wind from the East fair weather headed North at 6 AM to the North Lat Obs 15-54 S by 171-42 W

Monday August 12th 1844

There 24 hours light baffling Wind from 11 AM on different tacks at 9 AM left off North at fair to wind steering sail Lat 15-24 by 171-38 W