

Bk Mary Frazier of New Bedford

Thursday May 1st 541
Begins Calm with good weather Empt
Repairing Fore Course. Middle part light
breeze from N.E. Latter part strong winds
from N.E. With cloudy weather Ship
heading E.S.E No Obs

Friday May 2nd 542
Begins with strong winds from N.E. At
dusk had increased to Moderat Gale with
rainy weather. Put the Ship Under close
Reefed Topsails & Stay sails & bore to N.W.
Middle part wind hauled to West. Latter
part strong winds from West with Rugged
Weather Lat 33:44 Long 178:08

Saturday May 3rd 543
Begins with good breeze from West with
fair weather Ship Under all sail Cruising
Saw Bk Hunter of New Bedford Cutting
a Sperm Whale. Middle part Calm. Latter
part, aft day light light airs from E.S.E.
Saw Sperm Whales to Leeward & started with
the Hunter & gave chase to them So Ends
Lat 33:25 Long 178:23

Sunday May 4th 544
Begins with fresh breeze from E.S.E. With good
weather Sperm Whales in sight & seven Boats
in Chase. Chased untill sunset without
success. At 7 P.M. got on board. Shortened
sail for the Night. Middle & Latter parts
strong winds from South & Rugged.

Monday May 5th 545
Begins with strong wind from South with
clear weather Ship Under Topsails & Courses
Cruising Middle & Latter parts Wind and
Weather the same Lat 33:20 Long 177:54

John C. Nye Master On A Cruise. 1873

Tuesday May 6th 546
Begins with fresh breeze from S.W. With
good weather. Ship Under all sail steering
off to the Eastward At 3 P.M. saw Sperm
Whales and lowered three Boats in Chase
Soon after the Bow Boat went on to a
Whale and the Whale threw his Head into
the Boat, staving her so bad that she
instantly filled, and the Boatmen
did not fasten, it being sunset the Boats
tough her in tow and returned to the Ship
Middle part light breeze from S.E. steared
off to N.W. in hopes of seeing the Whales in the
Morning. At daylight wind the same
Four sails close to saw One Whale going
quick to Windward lowered in Company
with the Boats of three other Ships & ran
him out of sight, At 12 M. returned to the
Ship

Wednesday May 7th 547
Begins Nearly Calm with good weather
took in the Bow Boat to repair. Middle
and Latter parts good breeze from E.S.E.
With good weather Ship Under all sail
steering to the South. Lat 33:39 Long 178:15 E.

Thursday May 8th 548
Begins with fresh breeze from E.N.E. With
fair weather Ship Under all sail to the S.E.
At 4 P.M. saw Sperm Whales going quick
to Windward. No Chance, and did not
lower Middle part beating to Windward
Latter part good breeze from E.S.E. to North
with fair weather Ship Under all sail
Cruising Saw a Ship to Windward
Cutting Lat 33:48 South
Long 178:28 East