

Barth. Matilda Sears

Saturday May 18th
Commenced with
calm breeze in chase of the whale at
2 P.M. the boat returned to the ship
Midell and latter part weathered the same
said three sails crew employed in setting
jibs about the ship
Lat 33° 19' S.
Long 176° 23' E.

Sunday May 19th
Commenced with
calm with pleasant weather latter part
light air from East ship steering west by south
said two sails
Lat 33° 19' S.
Long 176° 58' E.

Monday May 20th
Commenced with
light breeze from East with pleasant
weather ship steering W. by S.
latter part good breeze from N.E. ship steering
S.W. by W. at 11 A.M. raised sperm whale
going to the N.W.
No Ob.

Tuesday May 22nd
Commenced with fresh
breeze from N.E. with heavy weather at 1 P.M.
went for the whale got one took aboard boat
the second boat got started in getting fast
at 1 P.M. got the whale to the ship and commenced
cutting last morning finished cutting the body
at daylight took the head in barrel
the carcass and got ready for boiling
Lat 33° 26' S.
Long 176° 24' E.

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Wednesday May 23rd
Commenced with fresh
breeze from North with pleasant weather ship
steering S. by W. employed in cutting up the
junk. Canoe building at sundown luffed to
westward latter part under the same with
cloudy weather at daylight steered S.E. by E. and
made sail
No Ob.

Thursday May 24th
Commenced with fresh
breeze from North with variable weather ship steering
S.E. by E. at 1 P.M. the wind hauled to the S.W.
with rain at 10 took in sail heading to the S.E.
latter part strong wind from S.W. with pleasant
weather said the East coast of New Zealand
crew employed in boiling
Lat 34° 22' S.

Friday May 25th
Commenced with strong
wind from S.E. with pleasant weather ship
by the wind heading to the west at 1 P.M. finished
building Midell and latter part light breeze
crew employed in washing the ship in line
at midday made Cape Horn S.W. 10 miles and
at 10 took ship to the S.E.

Saturday May 26th
Commenced with moderate
breeze from S.E. with pleasant weather ship by
the wind heading to the S.E. said sail
Midell part variable, wind ship laying off
and on latter part took a breeze from N.W.
and stood into the land at 10 P.M. came to anchor
in Pongauwi employed in washing the ship
not sail