

4 men took up duty. Isaac Ellis

Tuesday Jan 7 1851

first part moderate winds and cloudy weather
all hands employed trying out the boiler
latter part strong winds from NE
with unpleasant weather Lat 31° 45' S

Wednesday Jan 8 1851

the day came in with strong gals from
NE this leading to the N.W. at 3 1/2 pm
stopped sailing there being too much wind
to sail at 5 pm took in the fore sail
Ship laying to under abeam lee of
main top sail and fore topmast stay sail
at 10 pm weather very bad at 7 AM
began to hail and a fair steering to the NW

Last the gang board over board had one
cask of water thrown and lost about
3 bbls of oil out of one cask
all this from the want of better
care Lat 31° 43' 179° 46' west

Thursday Jan 9 1851

first part moderate wind with
heavy swell in ~~commence~~ sailing
latter part fair weather employed
stowing down oil Lat 31° 07' S

Friday Jan 10 1851

through the day moderate winds and
fine weather employed stowing down
oil saw the punch rack

Lat 31° 17' S 179° 10' west

Saturday Jan 11 1851

first part employed stowing down oil
latter part light airs and fine weather
but no signs of whales, Carries racks in
sight Lat 30° 33' S 179° 22' west

Sunday Jan 12 1851

first part moderate breeze and fine weather
but no whales Carries racks in sight latter
part the same to say my mind has been
bowed back to the day seems as my happen
says it looks like along time since I parted
with all that this world contains that is born to
my heart I often ask my self if it be
possible for me to ever meet with all
my dear family again in this world and I feel
at times as tho I saw not say yes but
God is the giver of all good and in him
I put hopes parchment beloved of my
heart the time of our meeting will come
in this or the next So I love my banner

Lat 30° 55' South 179° 34' west

Monday Jan 13 1851

first part moderate winds with fine weather
but no whales to be seen latter part
squally with rain saw blackish but
no other signs of whales 4 men took up
of off duty Isaac Ellis with the bar so it
is may God give me but 2 more
whales and I will bid parchment to find
peace and its in mates Lat 31° 54'

179° 46' W

Tuesday Jan 14 1851

through the day light airs and fine
weather but no whales to be found here
Lat 31° 42' S 179° 54' west

Wednesday Jan 15 1851

through the day light airs and fine
weather at 4 pm sprang ship many
of seven bedford 6 men out to 100 fathoms
no whale all well bound to Arctic
sea Lat 31° 20' 179° 30' E