

Ship Minerva on North West Coast

Thursday June 5th 1845.

This day commenced with fine weather at 1 A.M. chased whales without success. all hands at work stowing down. latter part strong wind 14 ships in sight watch at work scraping bottom so ends this day.

Friday June 6th 1845.

This day commenced with fine weather & strong wind took in sail and stood boats crew watch at 4 P.M. made sail & chased whales without success. at 8 chased again and the L. Boat fastened killed and sunk the whale. at 11 spoke the Champion. Cory (Late Sandford) died 6 days previous on account of breaking his leg and mortification taking place 12 M.P.M. 1250 Wh. so ends this day.

Saturday June 7th 1845

This day commenced with strong gale from the S.E. during M. at 1 took in the fore and main topsails hauled up fore sail and hove to latter part the same so ends this day.

Sunday June 8th 1845

This day commenced with strong winds from the N.E. at 3 A.M. sat close reefed fore and main topsails at 1 P.M. made sail saw several ships so ends this day.

Monday June 9th 1845

This day commenced with fine weather and light wind. saw several whales at 4 A.M. spoke the Lewis Tallman. 125 bbls the Champion Cory 1250. the South American Louie Peredure. at 6 came in foggy with rain.

Remarks on Board Minerva on North W Coast

Tuesday June 10th 1845.

This day commenced with strong winds and foggy weather saw whales and chased without success so ends this day.

Wednesday June 11th 1845

This day commenced with strong winds and frequent squalls of rain & fog. chased whales without success. saw several ships and few whales. so ends this day.

Thursday June 12th 1845

This day commenced with strong winds from W at 3 A.M. lowered for whales and the L. B. fastened and the whale took our line at 11 P.M. lowered again and the S. B. fastened and the L. B. killed him so ends this day.

Friday June 13th 1845

This day commenced with fine weather at 2 A.M. got the whale alongside and commenced cutting at 8 finished cutting and sat boiling watches at 7 P.M. lowered and the L. B. darted but the whale was too deep. at 9 chased again and the L. B. & M. B. both went on and the M. B. missed & L. B. fastened the whale knocked the head of the M. B. off so she had to go aboard at 12 P.M. took the whale along side so ends this day.



Saturday June 14th 1845

This day commences with strong gale from S.E. put another chain on the whale. and at him lag at 5 P.M. commenced cutting with fine weather so ends this day.