

Ship Montpelier In The Pacific Ocean On The

Sunday February 19th

Commences with brisk winds at S.W. and equally steering N.E. by S. all sail set, employed in repairing the Fore-sail & fiddle at sunset took in sail and heaved by the wind, headed S.E. Middle and Latter part much the same, on at daylight made sail one Ship in sight, at 9 A.M. spoke her, it proved to be the *Romana* Estar Tallmire of 400 bbls 300 S. steered N.E. by E. in company, saw nothing but Finbacks, thus ends
No Ob.

Monday February 20th

Commences with moderate breeze at W.S.W. and over cast, steered N.E. by E. at sunset shortened sail, heaved by the wind headed to the N.E. Latter part light winds and thick rainy weather, at daylight fresh breeze and thick, 2 Ships in sight made all point of sail, heading N.E. by E. saw nothing, at 11 A.M. blowing a hard gale at W.S.W. took in the Topsails & Fore-sail, and lay by under storm sails, heading N.W. thus ends
Lat by Obs 44.28 S. Long by Obs 178.18 E

Tuesday February 21st

Commences with a hard gale at W.S.W. and over cast, lay by under storm sails heading N.W. 3 Ships in sight, at Noon our Main Mast stay parted. Middle and Latter part hard gales from S.W. and a heavy sea, Ship heading W.N.W. under storm sails, at daylight a Ship passed, steering to the Eastward, saw no Whales, so ends.
Lat by Obs 44.40 S.

Wednesday February 22nd

Commences with hard gales at S.S.W. with a heavy sea Middle and Latter part hard gales and squalls under lay by under storm sails heading W. the *Romana* in sight, thus ends
Lat by Obs 43.36 S. Long by Obs 178.15 E

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Thursday February 23rd

Commences with hard gales at E. and squalls under Middle part the same, headed N.E. by E. under storm sails, latter part more moderate, at 7 A.M. when Ship headed S.E. and set the Fore-sail and let one reef out of the Main Top-sail, one Ship in sight, employed in Ships duty, thus ends.
Lat by Obs 44.04 S. Long by Obs 178.25 E

Friday February 24th

Commences with a moderate gale at S.W. Middle part much the same, lay by headed S.E. under short sail, Latter part light winds at S.W. and fine pleasant weather, at daylight made sail, when Ship headed to the *Romana* in company, saw nothing employed in repairing a Main Top-sail, thus ends.
Lat by Obs 44.30 S. No Ob.

Saturday February 25th

Commences with light winds at S.E. and fine weather, at 2 P.M. rounded the *Romana*, at sunset shortened sail, Middle and Latter part light winds at N.W. and fine pleasant weather, steered per Compass S.S.W. the *Romana* in company, saw nothing employed in Ships duty, thus ends.
Lat by Obs 44.00 S. Long by Obs 177.44 E

Sunday February 26th

Commences with a fine breeze at N.W. and pleasant, at sunset shortened sail, Middle part much the same, Latter part strong winds at S.W. and smoky, steered per Compass S.S.W. saw several Finbacks, the *Romana* in sight, thus ends.
Lat by Obs 45.26 S. Long by Obs 175.03 E

Monday February 27th

Commences with strong winds at N.W. and heavy, steering per Compass S.S.W. at 3 P.M. spoke the *Romana* Captain Estes informed us that he had seen one or two Whales at 1/2 past 3. Supper by the wine heading N.W. Middle and Latter part much the same, heading to the E. saw several Finbacks employed in Ships duty, thus ends. Lat by Obs 46.02 S. No Ob.