

Ship Montpelier Cruising For Whales

Friday November 3rd

Commences with a gale at 9th and squally. Ship lay by under short sail heading W N W. Nothing in sight. Middle part much the same, at 4 P.M. quite moderate. Made sail heading N W at 4 the wind increased with squalls, took in sail, lay by, one ship in sight, ends with a strong gale and thick weather with rain.

No Cts

Saturday November 4th

Commences with a gale at W N W and squally. Ship heading N W one ship in sight, saw one whale. Middle part the same. Latter part strong gales at 9th and squally, steered per compass East at 9 P.M. set the fore top sail double reefed, saw nothing. Employed in ship duty their ends.

Lat by 33.28. S Long by 170.22 West

Sunday November 5th

Commences with strong gales at 9th and squally, steering per compass E S E, saw nothing, at sunset took in the fore top sail & fore sail, and luffed by the main heading S E. Middle part much the same. Latter part light winds at West and fine pleasant weather at daylight. Made sail, steered South, saw nothing but Fairbanks. Employed in Coopering and Steaming down, so ends.

Lat by 33.47. South No Cts

Monday November 6th

Commences with a moderate breeze at West and fine weather. Employed in Steaming down at 10 P.M. finished, at sunset took in sail a squall, latter part light winds and thick rainy weather, saw a shoal of Black Fishes lower and struck two got one, saw no Whales. Employed in ship duty their ends.

Lat by 34.98. S Long by 169.25. West

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Tuesday November 7th

Commences with light winds at 8 and over cast ship heading to the Eastward, saw nothing. Employed in Boiling out the Black Fish, Middle and latter part light winds at West and fine pleasant weather. Ship steering East all sail set, saw 2 Whales yawning quick to the Eastward, didn't lower. Employed in ship duty their ends.

Lat by 34.54. S

Wednesday November 8th

all there 24 hours light winds at West and fine pleasant ship steering to the S. & all sail set, at daylight saw 2 ships at 11 A.M. spoke ship Mactezuma Turner. Ken Boddan 25 Months out 3,000. at Noon saw 1 whale yawning quick didn't lower. Employed in ship duty their ends.

Lat by 34.51. S Long by 168.04. West



Thursday November 9th

Commences with a fine breeze at West ship steering S E. at 1 P.M. saw 1 whale lower with out success, at sunset took in sail. Middle part fresh breezes at West and thick weather with rains, steered East at daylight. Made sail saw Whales lower with out success, at 10 A.M. saw one whale lower and struck and killed, at Noon took the whale a long side, at 11. saw saw the Mactezuma take a whale, their ends. Lat by 35.30. S

Long by 167.16 West



Friday November 10th

Commences with fine weather, at 1 commenced cutting at 3 finished, one whale in sight lower and struck and held on to the whale until sunset, and then cut out 4 ribs and drum bones. Middle and latter part light winds and calm, at daylight saw Whales and chased several different Whales to no purpose, saw the ship Mactezuma cutting, so ends.

Lat by 35.15. S