

Ship Montpelier Cruising for Right Whales

Monday December 4th

Commences with a brisk breeze at N.W. and pleasant weather. Ship heading N.E. one ship in sight at sunset shortened sail. Middle and Latter parts light winds from N.W. to West. Ship heading to the Eastward at daylight made all sail, saw Nothing. Employed in Ships duty, their ends.

Lat by Ob 37.45. South, Long by Chron 158.51. West

Tuesday December 5th

Commences with light winds at West and pleasant weather. Steered S.E. saw Nothing. At sunset shortened sail. Middle part the same at daylight made sail. Latter part light winds and calm. saw Nothing. Employed in Ships duty, their ends. Lat by Ob 37.48. S. Long by Chron 158.02.

Wednesday December 6th

Commences with a moderate breeze at West and fine pleasant weather. Steered S.E. by Ob all sail set, saw Nothing. Middle and Latter part strong winds at West and rugged steered South all prudent sail set, saw Nothing. Employed in Ships duty, their ends.

Lat by Ob 37.48. S. Long by Chron 157.25. West

Thursday December 7th

Commences with strong winds at West and rugged. Steering South all prudent sail set, saw Nothing. At sunset shortened sail. Middle part strong gales and squally with rain. Latter part more moderate at daylight set two reef. Topsails, Main and Mainsail. The wind at South. Wore Ship heading N.W. saw Nothing. Employed in Ships duty, their ends. Lat by Ob 37.56. Long by Chron 157.25. West

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Friday December 8th

Commences with strong winds at South and rugged. Ship heading N.W. saw one Humpback, Middle and Latter part light winds and veering from S.W. to S.E. all sail set working to the S.W. saw Nothing. Employed in Ships duty, their ends.

Lat by Ob 37.52. S. Long by Chron 157.26

Saturday December 9th

Commences with light airs and calm. Middle and Latter part the same. saw Nothing but one Humpback. Employed in Ships duty, their ends.

Lat by Ob 37.35. Long by Chron 157.17. West

Sunday December 10th

All these 24 hours light airs and calm. Ship working to the South saw Nothing but Porpoises, and Sun Fish, struck on the iron Docks, their ends.

Lat by Ob 37.24. South Long by Chron

Monday December 11th

Commences with light airs and calm. Middle part light winds at N.W. and overcast. Steered South all sail set saw Nothing. Latter part strong breezes at S.W. and thick overcast weather at 8 A.M. kept the Ship off N.W. saw Nothing. Employed in Ships duty, their ends.

Lat by Ob 40.07. South Long by Chron 157.18. West

Tuesday December 12th

Commences with fresh breezes at S.W. and pleasant weather. Steering N.W. all sail set, one ship in sight. Middle part the same. Latter part strong gales at S.W. and pleasant weather. Steering N.W. all prudent sail set at 10 A.M. spoke Ship Akerick Bencken had taken 4 Whales and we saw her last and Boiling at the time took in sail and kept by the wind heading West. No Whales in sight, seems

Lat by Ob 38.24. South, Long by Ob 158.21. West