

Remarks on Board Ship *Vermont* 1854

Tuesday Oct 7th First part, squally, winds all round the compass
Latter part, strong wind at N.W. Steering, on both tacks
Lat 1° 50' S. Long 177° 19' E

Wednesday Oct 8th First part, cloudy weather and moderate winds
at N.W. steering to S.E. Latter part, squally with much
rain, wind from every point of the compass, course
the same, saw *Porpoises*,
Lat 2° 40' S. Long 177° 54' E.

Thursday Oct 9th First part, fine weather, and moderate winds at
North, steering West, variously employed, at sunset
were ship to the East, Latter part, calm, saw *Porpoises*,
Lat 3° 1' S. Long 177° 36' E.

Friday Oct 10th First part, fine weather, and calm. Started water
Latter part, same, painted the starboard boat,
Lat 3° 50' S. Long 177° 25' E.

Saturday Oct 11th First part, fine weather, and light air at S.E.
Steering West, *Kepe* island in sight, saw *Porpoises*,
S.E. Latter part, rising, wind variable, saw a sail,
Lat 5° 00' S. Long 177° 00' E.

Sunday Oct 12th First part, fine weather and sailing weather
wind N.W. light, course variable, *Kepe* island
in sight, Latter part, squally, saw *Plotah*'s island
Lat 5° 00' S. Long 177° 31' E.

Monday Oct 13th First part, fine weather and moderate
wind at East, steering to the Northward, spoke
Ship *Caroline* of New Bedford, 110 tons, since leaving
the S.E. Latter part, squally, with variable wind
This day shipped *John* *Oliver*, a fourth mate, out
of Ship *Caroline* of New Bedford, of which Ship, he
was the chief mate, *Clash*'s island in sight bearing N.W.
Lat 5° 10' S. Long 177° 00' E.

Tuesday Oct 14th First part, fine weather and buffing winds
at steering on different tacks. *Caroline* in sight
Middle part, calm, Latter part, fine weather
and moderate wind, saw *Clash*'s island and a sail
Lat 5° 18' S. Long 177° 57' E.

Wednesday Oct 15th First part, squally with variable winds, steering
in different directions, saw a *Bruch*, Latter part, light
breeze at N.W. steering to S.E. variously made two line
saves for *John*'s boat,
Lat 5° 30' S. Long 177° 07' E.

arriving for *Spinn* *Whales*, among the *Porpoises*
Tuesday Oct 15th First part, fine weather and light air at N.E. steering
to S.E. variously employed, Latter part, light air and calm
employed washing the stern, saw *Porpoises*,
Lat 5° 31' S. Long 177° 25' E.

Wednesday Oct 16th First part, fine weather and light air at East, steering
to the S.E. saw *Porpoises*, Latter part, uncovered one of the
foretopgallant masts, parted, sent down the rigging and
commenced fitting it, wind light at N.W. steering East
Lat 5° 40' S. Long 177° 30' E.

Thursday Oct 17th First part, fine weather and moderate wind at N.W.
steering East, sent up foretopgallant rigging, saw *Porpoises*,
Latter part, saw *Porpoises*, wind North, steering to S.E.
Lat 5° 50' S. Long 177° 50' E.

Friday Oct 17th First part, fine weather and moderate winds at
North, steering to East, saw *Porpoises*, Latter part, light air
and "calm", at East, steering to N.W. E.
Lat 5° 41' S. Long 177° 27' E.

Saturday Oct 20th First part, fine weather with calm and light air
at East, steering to S.E. Latter part, strong N.W. wind
and squally, started water,
Lat 5° 20' S. Long 177° 10' E.

Sunday Oct 21st First part, fine weather and light S.W. wind
steering East, Latter part, at 5 o'clock saw a school
of *Spinn* *Whales* going to windward, lowered our
boat, without success, at 10 o'clock, took up the boat
had a strong squall from the N.W. *Whales* still in sight
Lat 5° 9' S. Long 177° 20' E.

Monday Oct 22nd First part, changeable weather and variable
wind, at 2 o'clock, lowered again for the *Whales* without
success, at sunset took up the boat, and shortened sail
Latter part, changeable wind and weather, with much rain
Lat 5° 10' S. Long 177° 51' E.

Tuesday Oct 23rd First part, changeable wind and weather, with rain
Latter part, same, saw a school of *Spinn* *Whales* lowered
our boat and struck one and killed him,
Lat 5° 41' S. Long 177° 24' E.

Wednesday Oct 24th First part, weather, and light N.W. wind, took
the *Whale* alongside and cut him in middle part
dying away, Latter part, commenced boiling,
Lat 4° 5' S. Long 177° 00' E.