

Coast of Japan

Remarks on board Thursday June 17th 1880

First part moderate breezes in the P.C. At 4 p.m. finished stowing down. Middle & latter part light breezes in the P.C. steering to the Eastward, few ships in sight

Latitude by Obs 30:17 N Long. by Ac 168:30 E

Friday June 18th

First part light breezes with pleasant weather. At 5 p.m. saw a large whale 5 miles off to the windward, sent two boats off. At 6 the whale came up nearest to the ship, lowered my boat, but before I could get to her, she went down and before she came up again it was dark, returned on board, with the intention of following her till morning, but the wind shifted in the night, which prevented us from seeing her again. Latter part light airs in the North. No ships in sight, and no whales. Latitude 30:07 Long by Ac 168:30 E

Saturday June 19th

Still light breezes. At 3 the ramble ran down to me, I went on board, and past the evening, while I was on board of her, spoke the ship *Becker*, with 1200 bls. 12 months out. Middle and latter part calm. Six ships in sight. Lat 30:01 Long 168:25 E

Sunday June 20th

All these 24 hours light airs and pleasant in forenoon, and fine backs. 6 ships in sight
Latitude by Obs 30:10 Long by Ac 168 East

Monday June 21st

Still pleasant with light breezes from the westward. Spoke the ship *Baria* of Antwerp, 21 months, with a 1000 bls. A few hours before I spoke her, their boats were off after whales, which is quite encouraging to hope that they are not all dead
Latitude by Obs 30:30 Long by Ac

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Remarks on board Tuesday June 22

First part gentle breezes in the N.W. steering to the N.E. At 4 p.m. saw a shoal of whales off the lee put off and got fore At 9 in the evening got them along side, the wind had then increased to strong breezes and squally. Latter part moderate with fog squalls. At 10 finished cutting, saw the *Baria* astern of us a cutting
Latitude by Obs 30:34 Long by Ac 168 East

Wednesday June 23rd

First part moderate breezes with cloudy weather, employed a boiling. Middle & latter part pleasant, three ships in sight.

Latitude by Obs 30:36 N Longitude by lunar At 10 P.M. 169:06 East

Thursday June 24th

All these 24 hours, cloudy weather, with moderate breezes from the Eastward. Employed a boiling. Latitude 30:50 N Long by Ac 168:50 E

Friday June 25th

First part moderate breezes from East with cloudy weather. At 6 p.m. finished boiling. Latter part pleasant weather two ships in sight, one to the windward running before the wind

Latitude 30:13 Long by lunar 168:16 East

Saturday June 26th

First part fair weather. At 3 p.m. spoke the ship *Chelsea* of N. London 22 months out with 1850 bls. At 4 spoke the *Richmond* with one small whale, since I spoke her the 24 of May. Latter part employed a stowing down. Latitude 30:21 Long by lunar 168:13 East

Sunday June 27th

First part pleasant weather. At 2 past 12 o'clock, spoke the ship *Ruffell* of N. Bedford 25 months out with 1600 bls. At 4 p.m. finished stowing down, the whales made a 100 bls. Latter part pleasant, few ships in sight
Latitude 30:24 Long by lunar 168:18 East