

Ship Pacific. South Pacific Ocean Dec^r 1851.

298. Monday, Dec^r 13th. All these 24 hours strong breeze from N.W. W. & S.W. steering N.E. & E. under short sail finbacks in sight.
Now Lat^d 43. 10 S. Long 153. 13 E.

299. Saturday, Dec^r 13th. All these 24 hours fresh breeze & W. heading N by N. under short sail employ^d Coopering oil nothing in sight.
Now Lat^d 44. 50 S. Long 154. 20 E.

300. Sunday, Dec^r 14th. All these 24 hours moderate breeze and fine weather heading to the N. E by N. finbacks in sight.
Now Lat^d 44. 26 S. Long 158. 07.

301. Monday, Dec^r 15th. First Part of these 24 hours moderate breeze & W. heading to the N. Middle Part variable latter Part light airs & S.W. with light rain and distant thunder.
Now Lat^d 40. 16 S.

302. Tuesday, Dec^r 16th. First Part of these 24 hours light airs and hazy nothing in sight Middle Part strong breeze & N.W. latter Part the same laying too heave to the E. & S.
Now Lat^d 40. 00 Long 160. 08 E.

303. Wednesday, Dec^r 17th. First Part of these 24 hours laying to under spencers with a fresh Gale N.W. and hazy Middle Part moderate daylight light airs & W.W. made sail heave to N by W. with a heavy swell from the N. nothing in sight.
Now Lat^d 39. 38 S.

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304. Thursday, Dec^r 18th. Commenced with light breeze and fine weather Middle Part light breeze & S.E. steering N. day light to one ship to the S. took in sail and hove too. Commenced breaking out bottom down oil nothing in sight hove too.
Now Lat^d 39. 40 S.

305. Friday, Dec^r 19th. All these 24 hours employed blowing down sperm oil in the main hatchway nothing in sight.
Now Lat^d 39. 44 S.

306. Saturday, Dec^r 20th. First Part of these 24 hours finish blowing down, wore ship headed to the N. day light light airs & E. & S. and fine weather. Put out the Mastboard to catch the Ship Pacific with 4 boats on her Cranes. Cleared ship and other jobs. spence inclining to calm.
Now Lat^d 38. 30 S. Long 160. 05 E.
Thursday

307. Sunday, Dec^r 21st. All these 24 hours calm now and then a Cat's Paw.
Now Lat^d 38. 20 S.

308. Monday, Dec^r 22nd. Commenced with a light air from S.W. a false alarm for sperm whales called all hands got the boats ready for the fray our hopes were soon blasted by a sound from the Mast head of nothing but froth on the water Middle Part calm latter Part light breeze & N.W. heading S. E by N. another false alarm sent out the Fly Jib Boats and fore Royal Mast so close.
Now Lat^d 37. 56 S. Long 160. 30

309. Tuesday 23rd. All these 24 hours pleasant breeze and fine weather steering S. E by N. latter Part saw sperm Whales to windward.
Now Lat^d 36. 49 S. Long.