

Baque Pacific Cruising In The North

Friday Aug. 20th All day strong gales from N.E. and quite fine pleasant weather. Ship off Flores at 8 A.M. stood down on the W side and with ashore at Tazgan Grande and agreed for Potatoes & Onions - but being rough could not get them off today - too rough also for water - saw several passing vessels

Saturday Aug. 21st All day strong gales from the N.E. and quite clear weather - Ship off Flores at 8 A.M. stood in and took on board recruits 12 1/2 Bu of Potatoes 8000 Onions, 60 Fowls and some other small stuff - too rough for water - at 12 all on board and kept ship W.S.W. with all sail out - saw two or three passing sail and one whale cruising we call it the fogelle of Fagal

Sunday Aug. 22d All day strong gales fine pleasant weather with light wind from N.E. - ship steering W.S.W. with all sail out - Water blue with many tallow Drops & jellies in it - In the morning took alongside a large hard pine stick of timber some 70 or 80 feet in length and about 16 in square - got it partly in but found it so heavy and badly eaten with worms that we concluded to abandon it - afterwards saw Black fish (several schools) - lowered and chased with all four boats until 12 M. without success

Lat 28.27 N. Long. 32.04

Monday Aug. 23d Comes in with light air from the E & calm & fine pleasant weather - ship steering W.S.W. per compass with all sail out - several sail in sight steering to the N.E. at 7 A.M. saw large white water some 8 or ten miles distant bearing about S per compass - hauled up for it but saw no more until 8 1/2 then saw spouts - soon made them out to be Spinn Whales - raised by Antonio boat crew - lowered all four boats for them - at 11 1/2 S. Boat struck a 52 blk whale and the school started off due E & to windward - two boats struck awhile then gave up - took whale alongside by 3 at 4 looked on & got all in - S. B. got stove - Lat 33.03 Long 32.46

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Tuesday Aug. 24 Comes in with light air from the E & S.E. and somewhat overcast - ship steering to the W.S.W. with all sail out but mainsail - In the am. all hands employed clearing up decks - cutting junks &c - started the books - Water blue & clear with the exception of Tallow Drops - in the P.M. saw a carcass - had the appearance of being a long white cut - saw several sail all steering to the N.E. - In the P.M. looking much like rain - Lat 37.56 Long 32.26

Wednesday Aug. 25th Comes in with light air and calms - ship off the wind to the W. with all sail but mainsail on - nothing in sight but one sail steering to the N.E. - light air from S.W. - Water blue & clear water employed in boiling - mending - sail boat - Lat 37.34 Long 32.23

Thursday Aug. 26th Comes in with light air from S.W. and calms - ship steering E S E with all sail out all night for the purpose of getting up where we saw the whales last Monday - till the W.M. calm at 12 a light breeze from S.W. - water blue & clear with some tallow drops - saw one sail steering to the N.E. - saw also one school of porpoise - Lat 37.31 Long

Friday Aug. 27th Comes in with light air from the S.W. and fine pleasant weather - ship steering to the E & to E.N.E. several sail in sight - saw many birds, some in flocks and others flying in one course to the S.S.E. - saw a large piece of Sphid but nothing in the water indicating whales - At night took in sail for the night and came to the wind heading N.N.W. - Lat 37.42 Long 32.10

Saturday Aug. 28th Comes in with moderate breezes from the S.W. and fine pleasant weather - ship steering E & S to S then S. by the wind - nothing in sight indicating whales - saw two or three sail - Lat 37.20 Long 31.47