

1844 Ship Petrel M. G. Tucker, British Sea
Tuesday 23rd May

24th 21st Dine wind S.W. running along the lee
to the E. & S.E. of 4 on at 4 saw 2 whales
went onto the lee seaward & chased 10 yds.
Middle port thick fog, latter do

Wednesday 24th

26th 24th Smooth wind S.W. & N.W. heading to the S.W.
under top sails, at 2 got into scattering lee
very heavy, rose to the S. got out of it at 7 rose
to the S.W. Middle port the same latter do

Thursday 25th

26th 25th Smooth wind S.W. to W. under short sail
thick fog, heading to the S. at 6 rose to the S.
covered with lee, Middle port fine, latter do
Sun into the lee saw nothing Lat 57 31

Friday 26th Long 150.48

27th 26th Dine lying along the lee wind S.W. Sun to the
Sun to the West, spoke 3 ships, Middle port
fine latter do working all ways Lat 57 29

Saturday 27th Long 150.89

28th 27th Dine wind W. S.W. running around, among
ships to, spoke ship Brunswick of Boston
left came on board Middle port strong gales
latter do lying along the lee Lat 56 49

Sunday 28th Long 150.20

29th 28th Strong gales lying along the lee, spoke the
Good Return Middle port same latter do
spoke the Masengo Lat 56 50

Monday 29th

30th 29th Strong gales from the W. garnishing, lying
around the lee, latter part the same & broad
into the lee, Capt Lacle came on board
stood off Tuesday 30th Lat 57.03 Long 150.24

31st 30th Strong gales from the S.W. lying around the
lee, at 5 light of S.E. S.W. Middle port saw
line 6th saw the Good Return & Masengo
both had taken a whale, foggy

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Wednesday 31st May

Strong gales at S.W. heavy swell from W.
foggy, at 6 cleared of saw whales plenty
chased, saw the Good Return & Masengo each
got a whale, Middle port fine, latter part
strong gales at S. plenty at whales chased
& chased Lat 57 11

Thursday 31st Long 150.21

2nd 31st Strong gales at S.W. boats down chasing
at 2 downed & pulled into the lee & found
one already turned up at 3 got along side
hooked & commenced cutting at 12 got
through made sail & headed to S.W. at daylight
downed & chased very good whales going quick
at 10 hoisted a wind S.E. hauled jib, fore
& main top sails

Friday 1st

3rd 1st Strong gales from the S.E. and different boats sailing
saw 10 ships, at 8 lighted fires & commenced party
thanks to a kind providence, Middle port calm
heading to the S.E. at 6 saw the 10 rose ship
& set double reefed top sails heading S.

Saturday 2nd

4th 2nd Smooth thick fog & wind S.E. & heading to the
S. rose to the S.E. very strong, Lord he with
us, watch over us, preserve us & keep us from all harm
at 7 rose to the S. & lying at 2 rose to the S.E.
latter part the same at 11 coaled down rain

Sunday 3rd

5th 3rd Strong gales at S. heading S.W. & foggy & lying
at 4 lighted fires again at 6 rose to the Sun
S.E. the Lord he praised for his mercies unto
us, Middle port the same latter part quite smooth
thick fog Monday 4th Lat 57 14 Long 150.05

6th 4th Smooth, thick fog calm at 3 put out fires & coaled
down, Middle port fog & rain, latter part quite fine
stowing down

Lat 57 14 Long 149 43