

Ship Kalama cruising for Whales
1855 Friday July 27

All this day fresh trades with fair weather
course by the wind Eastward, first of the day saw
a Finback from the ship. Before a boat could be
rowed to strike him he was dead & sunk. At 4 P.M.
rowed two boats for Sulphur bottoms. Saw Officer
shoot a very large one & let him to, spotting there the
before the boats could reach him he also had sunk
to decay.

Lat. 28.80

Long 88.18 W

Saturday July 28th
Fresh trades with fair weather. At 11 P.M. rowed
ship to the Westward, saw Finbacks. Employed fitting
fore Rigging.

Lat. 1.59 S

Long 89.14 W

Sunday July 29th
Fresh trades with variable clouds. 9 A.M. saw Chatham
Island, NW 30 miles. 11 A.M. saw Foul Bay & 38 miles, saw
Finbacks. 1 P.M. Officer gaining slowly.

Lat. 1.15 S

Long 89.15

Monday July 30th
Fresh trades with fair weather. Cruising between
Chatham & Foul Islands. Saw nothing of the whale
kind, (current NW 1/4 N).

Lat. 1.21 S

Long 89.32

Tuesday July 31st
Moderate trades with fair weather. Course by the
wind Eastward, saw Finbacks. Mailed & repaired
the Spanish.

Lat. 1.84

Long 88.21

Wednesday Aug 1st
Light trades with fair weather. Course by the wind
Eastward saw Porpoises. Employed fitting fore
in casks. One man Bill Kanaka sick.

Lat. 88.59 S

Long 87.58

Ship Kalama bound Eastward

Thursday Aug 2nd
Light trades & calm with high sky. Course by the
wind Eastward. Saw Finbacks. Mailed fore Nelson
casks & filled them with salt water, the ship being
too quick her sail well, 1 P.M. Officer recovering from
his lameness fast, (current NW 1/4 N).

Lat. 1.70

Long 87.41 W

Friday Aug 3rd
Strong trades & fair sky. Course Eastward. Saw
nothing of importance. Employed fitting casks
for Oil or Water. One man sick.

Lat. 88.51 S

Long 86.58 W

Saturday Aug 4th
Strong trades with falling clouds & much rain. Course
Eastward, saw Finbacks. Employed fitting casks &
(Longitude fast 1.12.48)

Lat. 1.04 S

Long 84.41 W

Sunday Aug 5th
Wind baffling & unsteady with some rain. 1 P.M.
saw ship to the NW. 12 miles, saw
again to E & C. Saw Finbacks & Porpoises.

Lat. 1.39 S

Monday Aug 6th
Moderate & baffling trades with falling clouds
& much rain. All night saw ship cruising. Latter part
employed putting up Rattins on the fore Rigging.
Saw nothing of importance.

Lat. 1.45 S

Long 84.05 W

Tuesday Aug 7th
Light trades & calm with fair sky, all sail
set cruising. Saw many Porpoises. Mailed fore
two boats & scraped the ships bottom as
low as possible. 1 P.M. Officer recovering rapidly &
has been to the Mast head to day.

Lat. 2.08 S

Long 83.53

84.03