

July 2nd At 10 A.M. we spoke the stranger which proved to be the Milton. She had taken 300 lbs off the Bonin islands this season, including one whale taken in the longitude of 158.00. She is now 45 mos. out with 1500 sperm. We gammed till late at night.

July 26th Fine weather. Light air from the Con. Wind steering West. Noon, W. S. W.

July 27th Calm. Ascended fore topgallant sail. Noon, light air from the Eastward, steering W. S. W.

July 28th Fine weather. Wind from the N. E. light. Steering W. S. W. 6 1/2 A.M. raised breeches ahead. Gunpow. Wet hold.

July 29th Fine weather. Light wind E. Course W. by S.

July 30th Fine weather. Light breeze from the N. E., steering W. by S. 7 A.M. hoisted round the yards, steering W. S. W. No signs of whales or any thing else. Have cruised since we arrived on the ground between the parallels of 31° & 34°, and from the longitude of 158.00 to 168° W., and have seen nothing that looks like a sperm whale.

July 31st Fine weather. Strong breeze from the N. E. Heading N. E. W. 6 A.M. were round on the other tack heading S. E. by E. Buggy weather.

Aug 1st Fine weather. Wind E. S. E. heading S. E. by E. 8 1/2 A.M. spoke the Milton. They had seen nothing. Gammed all day.

Aug 2^d Fine weather. Wind N. E. Course S. W. Light breeze. The Milton was in sight all day.

Aug 3^d Fine weather. Light breeze from N. E.

Lat Long 158.40 E.

Aug 4th Fine weather. Very light air from E. S. E. Wet hold.

Aug 5th Fine weather. Light breeze from the South. 10 A.M. passed the Milton on the other tack steering to the S. W. Course tack heading to the Southward.

Aug 6th Fine weather. Light breeze from E. S. E., heading S. by E. Course tack heading N. E.

Aug 7th Fine weather. Fresh breeze from E. S. E., heading N. by E. 7 A.M. tack heading S. E. - course E. by S. The Milton passed 10 miles to windward of us about 9 A.M. Course wind S. W. steering E. S. E. Lat. 30.13 N. Long. 158.46 E.

Aug 8th Strong breeze S. W. steering N. E. by E. Long. 161.02 E. Lat. 31.09 N.

Aug 9th Fine weather. Light breeze from S. W. 7 A.M. spoke the barque Martha. They had seen sperm whales once this season, but had taken nothing.

Capt. Smith came aboard of us and remained all day. Course through the day S. by E. Course E. Lat. 31.25 N. Long. 162.24 E.

Aug 10th Fine weather. Light wind. S. W. Course East. Martha in sight to leeward, steering East. Course kept off E. S. E. Long. 164.38 E. Lat. 31.25 N.

Aug 11th Fine weather. Light breeze. S. W. Course E. S. E. 9 A.M. course E. 4 P.M. wet hold. 4 P.M. Course S. E. Sunset S. E. 7 P.M. set sea watches, bound to the line. We have no hard story to tell about the Japan ground, having cruised here, on a space 600 miles long, by 150 wide, without seeing any thing that looked like a sperm whale. Lat. Long. 167.01 E. Lat. 31.22 N.

Aug 12th Fine weather. Light breeze from S. W. Course S. E. Sunday. Squally & rainy through the night. Lat. 29.32 Long. 168.08 E.