

O Japan, 1842

Sunday May the 1

This 24 hours comes in with strong gales, steering S by West, under close single Lefftopsails, at 24.8. M. saw 2 sperm Whales, board two boats, L & R but could not catch them, so we came on board took up our boats, praying that we may get some on the morrow, middle part, backed and, backed latter part steered NW by N, so ends, Latitude 33.58 Longitude 175.07.

Monday May the 2 comes in with strong gales steering NW by N but see nothing, at night, close reefed topsails middle part North, latter part, employed in mending the maintopsail, so ends, Latitude 33.58 Longitude 175.45.

Tuesday May the 3 comes in with strong breeze steering N West employed in mending sail, middle part lay North, latter part bent the maintopsail under the mizzen, so ends, Latitude 30.28, Longitude 176.55.

Wednesday the 4 comes in with strong breezes from NE, steering NW, employed in mending the Mizzen topsail, at night, bent him, middle part lay North, under close reef topsails, latter part, course NW by W, employed in mending the foretopsail, so ends, Latitude 32.17, Longitude 177.30.

Thursday the 5 comes in with moderate NE winds, steering NW by N at night, bent the foretopsail, middle part lay N by E, latter part, steering N by E employed in mending the Spanker, so ends, Latitude 33.13 Longitude 179.00.

Friday May the 6 comes in with strong breezes from NE, steering N by W, employed in mending the jib, middle part light breeze, latter part steering NW by W, under all sail, employed in mending the mainsail, so ends, Lat 34.54 Long 179.06.

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Saturday May the 7.

This 24 hours, comes in with light breeze steering S by E employed in mending the mainsail, at night shortened sail, middle part lay S by E, latter part took in the bow boat, employed in mending her so ends - Latitude 33.58, Longitude 179.50.

Sunday May the 8, comes in with light NE winds, and overcast steering S by E all hands employed in washing, and mending their clothes - at night, doubled reefed the topsails, middle part, wore ship lay S by E, latter part made sail steered West by N, so ends Latitude 34.18 Longitude 184.22.

Monday May the 9 comes in with light SE winds steering S by E at night shortened sail, middle part, calm latter part, light Westly winds made all sail lay South, employed in mending the fore sail so ends, and man sick, Latitude 34.19 Longitude 176.59.

Tuesday May the 10 comes in with light Westly winds, lay S, at night bent the foresail, shortened sail, middle part, light airs, lay S by W, latter part, steering S by E, employed in ship duty - so ends, all well, Latitude 35.20 Long 176.40.

Wednesday May the 11 comes in with light Northely winds, course S by W, - at night shortened sail, middle part, calm, latter part made sail lay S by E, employed in mending the maintopsail, so ends, Latitude 33.55, Long 177.15.

Thursday May the 12 comes in with a fine S by E winds, lay S by E, employed in ship duty, middle part, backed ship lay N by E, latter part, wore ship lay S by E, saw nothing, so ends, Latitude 32.13, Longitude 179.07.