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# Barque Imperna of New Bedford, Mass.

195.

Anchor Gear.

Wednesday June 21<sup>st</sup> 1854.

Commences with brisk breezes from N. S. W. and squally, heading to the Southward under whole topsails and courses, the S. Houghton and one other sail in sight, middle part heading to the Southward under short sail, latter part light breezes from S. S. W. heading to the Westward till about 10 A. M. saw a large breach to the Eastward of us, up stuck and run for it, but saw it no more, the watch employed fitting the anchor gear.

So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 23. 23. Long. By  $\odot$  107. 04. 00. Bar. 30. 2.

196.

Pleasant.

Thursday June 22<sup>nd</sup> 1854.

Begins with moderate breezes from S. S. E. and pleasant weather, heading to the Eastward with the main top gallant sail and flying jib set, middle part heading to the S. W. under short sail, latter part light breezes from S. S. E. steering N. S. W. with the main top gallant sail out.

So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 23. 39. Long. By  $\odot$  106. 43. 00. Bar. 30. 2.

197.

Main Rigging.

Friday June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1854.

Commences with very light baffling airs from S. S. W. to N. with calms, heading from N. to S. middle part calm, latter part light breezes from S. W. steering N. W. employed turning up the larboard main rigging, found one shroud badly mangled in two places (done by the riggers at home)

So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 23. 25. Long. By  $\odot$  106. 20. 15. Bar. 30. 2.

198.

Salt Water.

Saturday June 24<sup>th</sup> 1854.

Begins with light breezes from N. S. W. to S. S. W. heading to the S. W. at 2. 45 P. M. saw a sperm whale working closely to the S. E. lowered three boats in pursuit, the starboard boat struck with a very slight chance and shortly after the iron drewed, at 4 P. M. several other whales in sight, chased till sunset without success, came aboard took up the boats and shortened sail for the night, middle part moderately latter part light breezes from S. S. W. heading N. by S. employed starting fresh water from the fore hatchway and filling the casks with salt water, saw a great many finbacks, at noon kept off for a great number of sperm whales that we call sperm whales.

So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 23. 04. Long. By  $\odot$  105. 58. 45. Bar. 30. 2.

# Cruising off the West Coast of New Holland, N. D. 1854.

199.

Mr. Marsh.

Sunday June 25<sup>th</sup> 1854.

Commences with light breezes from S. S. W. and pleasant, at half past twelve lowered the boats for a body of sperm whales working to the Westward and S. W. and several finbacks around, (no thanks to them for being here) chased the sperm whales till nearly sunset, without success, came alongside and hoisted up and shortened sail for the night, middle part very moderate, latter part light breezes from the S. W. heading S. E. and S. S. E. under all sail except the fore top gallant sail, and saw finbacks.

So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 23. 07. Long. By  $\odot$  106. 36. 30. Bar. 30. 1. 7.

200.

Humpbacks.

Monday June 26<sup>th</sup> 1854.

Begins with light breezes from N. S. W. steering S. S. East under all sail except the fore top gallant sail, till about 3 P. M. took in all the light sails the weather coming on equally, saw a finback, and several humpbacks, middle part moderate, latter part light breezes from the S. W. heading to the N. S. W. employed breaking out for bread, flour, dried apples, molasses and oil soap, and saw humpbacks, at 11 A. M. saw a pod of sperm whales working about N. N. E. lowered the boats and gave chase at noon the boats away from the ship.

So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 23. 25. Long. By  $\odot$  106. 55. 15. Bar. 30. 2.

201.

Heavy Load.

Tuesday June 27<sup>th</sup> 1854.

Commences with light breezes from the Southward the boats away from the ship, at 5 P. M. the larboard boat struck a sperm whale and held on till about dusk, then cut the line, came aboard and shortened sail for the night, middle part laying to the Eastward under ghost sail, latter part light breezes from S. S. E. and cloudy steering from S. E. to S. with the main top gallant sail out.

So ends &c. Lat. By D. R. 22. 50. Long. By D. R. 107. 20. 00.

202.

Cloudy.

Wednesday June 28<sup>th</sup> 1854.

Begins with light breezes from S. S. E. and cloudy, steering from S. by N. to N. S. W. at 3 P. M. hauled on the wind to the S. W. middle part fresh breezes from S. E. latter part strong breezes from S. S. E. and cloudy, heading to the Southward under double reefed topsails and courses, saw several finbacks.

So ends &c. Lat. By obs. 23. 56. Long. By D. R. 107. 10. 00. Bar. 30. 2. 7.