

Remarks on Board Bark Sam Cruising on New Georgia

Thursday November 7th

7. This Day begins with fine weather and a strong breeze from the E. S. Ship steering S. E. under all sails. At 3. A.M. we were ship and stood to the N. E. Watch employed at a few small jobs. This afternoon we raised land on our weather bow (bearing S. from us). Watch employed making out for Pigeon. After supper shortened sail. So ended this Day of our Log. Latitude 9.33 S. Longitude 156.59 E

Friday, November 8th

8. This Day begins with fine weather and a light breeze from the S. Ship steering N. E. Watch employed making out for Pigeon. This afternoon had run calm. Land still in sight on our starboard quarter at 4 o'clock the watch and went through our regular performance. After supper we shortened sail. Nothing of importance had occurred to day. Latitude 9.33 S. Longitude 156.59 E

Saturday, November 9th

9. This Day begins with Cloudy weather and a light breeze from the S. Ship steering S. E. Watch employed in making out for Pigeon. At 10. A.M. we had a squall and we took in the top sails. Flying jibs. Course. This afternoon had been calm with continual rain. At 4. P.M. we closed down the top sails and washed off the ship. So ended this Day nothing in sight. Good night.

Sunday, November 10th

10. This Day begins with Cloudy weather and a light breeze from the S. E. Ship steering S. E. Watch employed at various jobs. This morning we raised Whales and we turned away and the watch got lost: and the whale took them and the Standard Boat fastened and got the whale along side about ten O'clock. After getting the whale made fast the 3rd and 4th mate had a fight but it did not amount to much. After that we got dinner and went to work cutting and got his head and jaw made. About 8 O'clock and then got supper and eat the watch. So ended this Day after working all the afternoon in the rain and getting wet through we got our task accomplished. Good night to all. With another whale along side Latitude 9.40 S. Longitude 157.00 E

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Monday, November 11th

11. This Day begins with Cloudy weather and a light breeze from the S. E. Ship steering S. E. This morning at 4.2 A.M. we raised all hands and finished cutting in the whale. just as the flukes came in I raised shore on our weather beam. We turned away the boat and the mate got me. The 2nd mate struck but his sword drew as a matter of course. We got him along side and then got breakfast (it then being 11 O'clock) then we commenced cutting again and got through at 3 P.M. and got dinner. This afternoon we closed away one of the heads and the 1st mate & going so ended this day with about 80 lbs of Air bladder in Deck. Good night. With my best wishes.

Tuesday, November 12th

12. This Day begins with Cloudy weather and a strong breeze from the S. E. Ship heading N. under close reefed top sails and fore sails. At 3 A.M. we were ship and stood to the S. E. Watch employed in making out for Pigeon. This afternoon had been employed in much the same way (with the exception of making out for Pigeon) so ended this day after going on Deck ever since 1 O'clock this morning Latitude 9.35 S. Longitude 157.35 E

Wednesday, November 13th

13. This Day begins with fine weather and a light breeze from the S. E. Ship heading S. E. Watch employed in making out for Pigeon. We were in our ship and stood to the S. E. This evening we closed down about 9 P.M. and put on the fathead. No whale in sight to day. We are just one day out today with our Standard and fifty bottles of sperm oil. Taken since August 1861 so ended this day after having a few showers of rain. Latitude 9.35 S. Longitude 157.45 E

Thursday, November 14th

14. This Day begins with Cloudy weather and a strong breeze from the S. E. Ship steering S. E. This morning the wind had changed to the N. E. under short sails. This morning we had a thunder shower which lasted about an hour. We closed down the foretop sail and hauled down the 1st mate Watch employed in various jobs. Mr. Bin has been off duty to day (being sick) which was caused by getting wet. So ended this day. Latitude 9.40 S. Longitude 157.50 E