

Ship Porton of New Bedford Cruising

Tuesday
Sept. 15th. Commences with strong Gales from S.W. Steering S.E. & E. at sunset Double reefed the Topsails, at 6 Am. made all sail, latter part moderate winds and fine weather

Wednesday
Sept. 16th. Lat. 26-44 S. - - - Long. 175-35 W.
This Day moderate winds from S.S.W. to W.S.W. and pleasant Steering on Different Courses from S.E. & E. to S. variously employed Lat. 25-44 S. - Long 174-48 W.

Thursday
Sept. 17th. Variable Winds and fine weather Steering on Different Courses, at 7 Am. saw Sperr Whales going quick to windward and appeared to be galley, at 8 So. lowered 2 Boats, at 1/2 past 9 So. the Boats returned to the Ship without success, so ended

Friday
Sept. 18th. Lat. 25-32 S. - - - Long. 175-08 W.
First part winds from W.S.W. and pleasant at 5 P.M. saw Sperr Whales, at 1/2 past 3 So. lowered 3 Boats, at 6 So. returned to the Ship without success, the Whales very shy, latter part winds from S.W. and squally, shortened and made Sail a number of times Steering on Different Courses, Lat. 25-01 S. - - - Long. 174-38 W.

Saturday
Sept. 19th. All these 24 hours moderate winds from S. to S.E. and fine weather Steering on Different Courses

Sunday
Sept. 20th. Lat. 25-10 - - - Long. 174-40 W.
Light winds from the S.E. and Calms Steering on Different Courses, saw Finbacks and Killers.

Monday
Sept. 21st. Lat. 25-16 S. - - - Long. by Chron. 175-26 W.
First part light winds from S.W. and fine weather latter part brisk winds from S. and squally with strong appearances of rain, employed in painting Boats, so ended Steering on Different Courses

Tuesday
Sept. 22nd. Lat. 24-58 S. - - - Long. by Chron. 175-40 W.
First part strong breezes from the S. and squally with showers of rain, latter part clear, Steering to the Eastward by the wind under Double reefs.

Wednesday
Sept. 23rd. Lat. 25-18 S. - - - Long 174-53 W.
All these 24 hours strong Gales from the S.E. Steering on Different tacks by the wind, under Double reefs, lying under short Sail through the night Lat. 25-12 S. Long. 174-29 W.

S.P. E. From the Curtis Islands. 1840

Thursday
Sept. 24th. Commences with strong Gales from the S.E. Steering to the S. by the wind under Double reefs at sunset took in the Fore Topsail, and Fore Sail, at 6 Am. set the Fore Sail so ends strong Gales and Cloudy

Friday
Sept. 25th. Lat. 25-51 S. - - - Long. 175-20 West.
First and Middle part strong Gales from the S.E. and Cloudy, heading to the S.S.W. under a Double reefed Main Topsail and Fore Sail, latter part more moderate at 6 Am. set the Fore and Mizzen Topsail Double reefed, Jib, and Spanker, rigged in the Fly Jibboom sent down the Gaff Topsail &c. &c.

Saturday
Sept. 26th. Lat. 26-41 S. - - - Long. 175-27 W.
All these 24 hours fresh breezes from S.E. to S.W. and overcast Steering by the wind with our Salboard tacks on board First part under Double reefed 2 Sails, Middle part under a Main Topsail and Fore Sail, latter part under single reefs and Riggallantsails set.

Sunday
Sept. 27th. Lat. 27-18 S. - - - Long. 175-30 W.
Commences with brisk Winds from S.E. & E. Steering to the S.E. by the wind, at sunset took in the Riggallantsails, Main Sail, and Double reefed the Topsails, Middle and latter part winds from S.E. Steering S.E. by E. by Compass, at 6 Am. let one reef out the Topsails set the Riggallantsails and Main Sail

Monday
Sept. 28th. Lat. 28-53 S. - - - Long. 174-18 W.
Commences with brisk winds from S.E. and Cloudy Steering S.E. by E. & E. at sunset Double reefed the Fore and Main Topsails, took in the Miz. Topsail and Main Sail, at Daylight made all Sail, at Noon Lat 30-20 S. - - - Long. 172-14 West.

Tuesday
Sept. 29th. First part winds from S.E. Steering S.E. & E. all Sail set, Middle part under a Double reefed Main Topsail and Fore Topsail, set light winds from S.E. to S.W. and thick weather, latter part winds from W. to S.E. and rainy, Lat. 30-50 S. Long 171-54 W.

Wednesday
Sept. 30th. First part light winds from S.E. Steering to the S. by the wind all Sail set, Middle part under Double reefs, latter part light variable winds and rainy S.E. obs. Lat. by S. R. 31-30 S. - - -