

Ship Unkas on the coast of Japan

Saturday April 27th

commenced with good weather and moderate breeze from S.W. 1 M the larboard boat struck a whale and killed him 3 P.M. took him along side and commenced butting 4 P.M. finished butting latter part strong breeze stirring W by S 1 M started the work for boiling so ends this day

Sunday April 28th

commenced with fresh gales from W ship heading N.W. under double reefed Main I sail and foresail the watch a boiling 3 P.M. took in fore sail and close reefed the Main I sail with heavy rain cooled down the decks middle part the same 3 A.M. wind shifted to N.W. with good weather commenced boiling

Monday April 29th

commenced with a moderate breeze from N.W. with fine weather staying W 2 P.M. found longly here 15 4 2 P.M. middle and latter parts calm 6 A.M. raised right whales 4 leaved 4 boats 3 A.M. came on board

Tuesday April 30th

commenced with light air and calm staying S middle and latter parts a moderate breeze 5 A.M. finished boiling 3 A.M. saw right whales leaved 3 boats and gave chase so 1 M the larboard boat struck and killed him so ends this day laying by the whale

Wednesday May 1st

commenced with a moderate breeze from S.W. at 2 P.M. got the whale along side 3 P.M. commenced butting plenty of whales in sight 8 P.M. finished butting at daylight commenced boiling 3 A.M. commenced steaming latter part fresh gales and bad weather

Thursday May 2nd

commenced with fresh gales from N.W. and thick weather middle and latter part rainy and fresh gales so ends

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Friday May 3rd

commenced with light breeze from N.E. laying to at daylight made sail 3 A.M. began to steam down latter part light air and fine weather boiling

Saturday May 4th

commenced with light air from S.E. and fine weather 4 P.M. finished boiling 5 P.M. saw a right whale leaved the boats the larboard struck and draided larboard likewise draided 5 P.M. came on board took in sail for the night middle and latter part strong breeze and fog so thick as to stick a knife in it

Sunday May 5th

commenced with fresh gales from S. here to under double reefed topsails and fore sail 4 P.M. took in the fore sail and blast reefed the topsails rainy and thick fog middle part the same latter part the wind hauled to N.W. ship heading N.W. 3 A.M. raised 2 right whales 10 leaved 3 boats the larboard boat struck and the iron hook 12 come on board so ends

Monday May 5th

commenced with fine weather and light breeze from N.E. under all sail 2 P.M. leaved the boats for a right whale but without success come on board 4 P.M. took in sail for the night middle part the same 5 A.M. made sail 3 A.M. saw a right whale leaved 3 boats 12 the larboard boat struck and killed him so ends this day lying by the whale

Tuesday May 7th

commenced with good weather Employed in taking the whale along side 3 P.M. finished butting raised a better whale leaved 4 boats the larboard boat struck and draided came on board and took in sail middle and latter part a gale of wind so ends this day