

1844 Ship Uncas Bound out a sprouting
Laying in Monree with 5 others ships
Friday February 7th

Commences with fine weather
Latter Part fresh breezes at 5 P.M. took our
anchors and made sail Bound to Karnabalk or
So Ends Rani bearing N Dist 20 miles

Saturday Feb 8th

Commences with fresh gales
at 3 P.M. doubled reefed the topsails Middle Part
fresh gales from the S steering N Latter Part
much the same So Ends Satt 20° 40' N

Sunday Feb 9th

Commences with fresh gales
from N.N.E. steering N by S under single
reefed topsails Middle and Latter Part fine
weather and a fresh breeze from S.E. steering N by S
Satt 20° 34' North Long 173° 21' East

I thought when we left Monree that I would write
up daily but after writing three days I found that ink
was not very plenty and I being rather lazier thought
it best to wait till we saw some whales then I
would commence a new but when we shall see a
whale and get one I don't no but I hope we shall before
long

She's pure as a moonbeam as light as a fawn
Her cheek is rich as the blush of the dawn
The glance from her bright eyes do magics its spell
There's none in this wide world like young Rosabelle

The nightingale breathes not its sweet song by day
The primrose retreats from the suns burning day
The violet blushes unseen in the valley
More modest than all these is my charming Mary

Though proud ones have sought her she's true unto me
By the soft vine encircling its love mate the tree
So love her were madness her sworn were my knely
And life were a desert without my Mary

1845 Ship Uncas in Search of her prey

Sunday February 23rd

We have once more got upon whale ground
and I will commence my journal again and I
think it is about time to commence whaling
again for we have been idle long enough and if it is
the Lord will I am in hopes that in the course of 4
months to have all the oil we want and then make
the best of our way home where we shall all arrive in
safety I am in hopes and find our friends all well
and enjoying that blessing which we all ought to
enjoy This day commences with fine
weather and a lite wind from S.W.
ship heading N.N.W. Middle and Latter
Part much the same So Ends Satt 31° 52' North
Long 173° 41' East

Monday Feb 24th

Commences with thick
rainy weather wind shifted to the N.W. more
ship heading S.W. under fore sail and double
reefed main topsail Middle Part more
moderate Latter Part fresh breeze from E.S.E.
steering S.W. at 9 A.M. saw whales lowered
and got nothing So Ends this day whales in sight
Long 173° 41' East Satt 31° 00' North

Tuesday Feb 25th

Commences with fine weather
and a fresh breeze at 1 P.M. lowered for whales
the B.P. Strick and the Iron hook and away
he went I was scarce for the first one but hope
for better next time one sail in sight Middle Part
fine weather and light winds Latter Part fresh breeze
but doubled reefed top sails at 9 A.M. saw whales
lowered the W boat got very near him he took the
hint and went off at 11 A.M. lowered again for
more whales drove them off and came on board
look in the topsails So Ends blowing a gale
Long 173° 26' East

Wednesday Feb 26th

Commences with thick fog
and a rain storm wind from S.W. heading S.E.
all hands below Middle Part much the same
Latter Part more moderate rain several whales
going quick to the S.W. So Ends Satt 31° 05' North
Long 173° 41' East