

1891

Journal of the Bk. William Baylies Capt. L. D. Cleveland

Tues Dec 8th

Leaves port took the Sea Boat about 9 A.M. and started on a whaling voyage with a crew of 41 men all at once. The Sea Boat let go of us about 1 1/2 P.M. heading along by the windward from the S.W. toward the Chatham bell.

Wed Dec 9

first part - strong breeze with rain from the S.W. and we took in some of the light sails, changed mottos and Boat crews. middle part - the same. latter part - moderate breeze from the W.S.W. but the light sails

Thurs Dec 10 Lat 40.00

first part strong breeze from the W.S.W. steering S.E. W. took in the top gallant sails. Water busy getting the Boats ready for whaling nothing in sight. middle part the same. latter part wind backed more to the W.S.W. made all sail water busy coiling lines for the Boats

Fri Dec 11 Lat 33.55 North Long 125.10 West

first part strong breeze from the N.W. steering S.E. by E. with all sail but water still busy getting the Boats ready nothing in sight at sundown. middle part the same. latter part moderate breeze water busy fixing the cutting stage

Sat Dec 12 Lat 31.00 Long 124.

first part moderate breeze from the N.W. steering S.E. by E. with all sail but finished the cutting stage and put it out. nothing in sight. middle part wind light, latter part water put on the new chain pennants to the jib

Sun Dec 13 Lat 29.23 Long 124.53

first part about a calm, water cleared up deck and washed off nothing in sight. middle part the same. latter part a light breeze from the N.W. steering S.E. by E. saw several Fin backs. Tom McNeill's Boat - steer is off duty sick