

Ship William Hamilton in the Pacific November 1838

Wednesday Nov. the 7th

Commenced with moderate breezes from the N.E. Middle part the same latter part fresh breezes from the East heading Ship & saw a number of hump backs & caught 2 black fish at 7 P.M. took in the top gall. sails. head wind & no whales.

Lat. 32.17 S. Long. 178.39 West

Thursday Nov. the 8th

Commenced with fresh breezes from the East Middle part the same latter part squalls of rain at 5 P.M. shot the Ship Frances Hendricks of New Bedford 18 months out with 2.10.00 lb. of oil heading to the North Course W.S. under short sail

Lat. 41.02 S.

Friday Nov. the 9th

Commenced with fresh breezes from the East Middle & latter part the same Course Variable

Lat. 43.24 S. Long. 177.10

Saturday Nov. the 10th

Commenced with fresh breezes from the N.E. Middle part the same latter part hard gales from the North heading to East under double reefed top sails

Lat. 44.33 South

A Whistle is no longer slack

Sunday Nov. the 11th

Commenced with hard gales from the N. at 1 P.M. took in the fore & main top. Sails at 5 P.M. wore Ship to the N.W. with thick weather.

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Tuesday Nov. the 12th

Commenced with thick weather wind from the N.W. at 1 P.M. wore Ship heading N.E. by E. Middle part pleasant at 4 P.M. set double reefed fore & main top. Sails at 7 P.M. took in the fore & main top. Sails heavy squalls from the West at 11. Saw 4 sperm Whales & rigged to West lower.

Lat. 44.58 S. Long. 173.20

Monday Nov. the 13th

Commenced with hard gales from the West Middle part more pleasant at 5 P.M. saw 4 sperm Whales lowered 3 boats. Sailed and started 3 boats succeeded in capturing one to each boat took 2 of them along. Sailed at being late & heavy sea lost one the boats came on board at 12 O'clock in the evening

Lat. 44.59 South

Tuesday Nov. the 14th

Commenced with light winds from the West Commenced looking the Whales Middle part fresh breezes latter part hard gales from the N.W. with rain.

Wednesday Nov. the 15th

Commenced with hard gales from the N.W. at 1 P.M. stopped the works & took in the main top. Sails fore sail heading N.E. with 2 fore spruce & fore top. Mast stay. Sails middle & latter part wind N.E. heading N.W. at 5 P.M. set the main top sail & fore sail.

Lat. 47.33 S. Long. 173.26