

1844 Journal of Whale Ship Mr Thompson

Saturday Continued Fresh Gales from North West and a squall steering by for Comra's Water N. by color. Cows from back

Lat by Obs 41.18 N

Long by Obs 163.55 W

Sunday April 21st

Light breeze from the North with a high sea at 6 AM the lines hauled to the South latter part fresh Gales and rainy during the night

Lat by Obs 42.57 N

Long by Obs 163.05 W

Monday April 22nd

Continued fresh Gales from S. by a squall rainy weather at 10 AM the lines hauled to the S. West and cleared up a little. Latter part more moderate but the topsails doubled reefed at 4 PM raised 1 light Whales and doubled for them. Lat by Obs 43.51 N

Long by Obs 162.56 W

Tuesday April 23rd

at 1 PM Struck the Whales. Tove the Bora boat at 4 PM turned up one and sank him at 5 PM all up the other at Sunset Whale 4 miles to Windward of Ship. towing him by the Tug

Wednesday April 24th

Fresh breeze from S. West with a heavy sea on two boats of sailing by the Whale beating head to Windward with the ship and several hail squalls during the night at 6 AM took the Whale to the ship all hove completely hove out at 8 AM hove ship and commenced cutting at Noon got one lip and throat in

No Observation

Thursday April 25th

Strong Gales from S. West and evening boiling the Whales and setting up Shooks more ship to the Southward Seven Hands off duty and a pretty good beginning of the R for a while at 10 AM

Lat by Obs 45.25 N

Long by Obs 162.33 W

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Friday April 26th

Nothing but Gales from South and West still boiling the Whales Six Hands off duty at the close of the day finished boiling in all 100 Bbls

Lat by Obs 45.17 N

Long by Obs 162.00 W

Saturday April 27th

Strong Gales from South still heading to the S. West. High cross sea on

Lat by Obs 45.17 N

Long by Obs 162.51 W

Sunday April 28th

Fresh Gales from S. West accompanied with rain & hail took in fore sail and lie to during the night at 10 AM more the Revere set the fore sail again broke out fore room hall a look into the lower hold to day found three casks of oil leaking badly rigged on Hose for getting hold

Lat by Obs 45.53 N

Long by Obs 163.00 W

Monday April 29th

Strong breeze from S. West Broke out to show where our oil from off deck and found the oil below in all Acca full state some 50 or 60 Casks leaked out some of them with not more than a barrel in them at sunset got all through with the main Hatchway thank God

Lat by Obs 46.18 N

Long by Obs 162.05 W

Tuesday April 30th

Commenced breaking out fore Hold took up 14 Casks cooped it full Stowed of again took up 8 Casks of sperm oil in main Hatch and cooped

Lat by Obs 47.13 N

Long by Obs 161.55 W

Wednesday May 1st