

62 Remarks On Board Ship Wm Wirt of New

Sunday August 13th 1854

First part fresh breeze from S.E. and pleasant the ship working to S.E. ward along the land saw 2 sails boiling Middle and latter parts strong breeze from S.E. by S. and thick overcast weather the ship on both tacks saw 1 sail nothing more thus Ends this day

Wm Wirt

Monday August 14th 1854

First part fresh breeze from S.E. by E. and clear steering S.W. under whole topsails saw no whale on land Middle and latter parts fresh breeze from S.E. and heavy overcast weather at 8 A.M. wore ship and steer W. the wind hauls to S.W. ward at 9 A.M. made the land in to Perosha town, steer by the wind on both tacks no whale in sight thus Ends this day

Tuesday August 15th 1854

First part light variable air and hazy weather the land in sight in the W. from bow nothing more at 6 P.M. light air from E. ward steer N.W. Middle and latter parts fine breeze from N.W. E. and hazy weather ship on both tacks at 9 A.M. spoke the Bark Bayard 6 whale and the Isabella 7 whale & 300 lbs. saw Devilfish no land in sight steering by the wind to N.W. thus Ends this day

Shoreward miles

Wednesday August 16th 1854

First part light breeze from N.W. steering W. ward gaming with the 2 barks until 11 A.M. the ship working up to Bowhead Isle on both tacks at 11 A.M. Middle and latter parts light air and calm with pleasant weather saw 2 sails and the land Bowhead Isle 10 miles from us first 10 miles no whale in sight the watch employ in breaking out bread and stowing it aft. thus Ends this day

Thursday August 17th 1854

First part light air from S.E. ward and variable, steering for the land near Bowhead Isle saw Devil fish at 8 P.M. came to an anchor in the Bay 10 miles to S of Bowhead Isle Middle and latter parts strong wind from S.W. and pleasant at 6 A.M. got a raft of casks ready and with 3 boats took them on shore to get fresh water saw nothing but land and a sail at 10 A.M. got under way thus Ends this day

63 Bedford cruising in the Gulf of Saghalien Augst. 1854



Friday August 18th 1854

First part fine breeze from S. Ward and pleasant, at 1 P.M. raised Bowheads and saw several at 2. the boats came on board with the raft of water took it in and chased whales up to Bowhead Isle saw 3 sails at 16 P.M. steer S.E. by S. all sail out the 34 mats sick with the cramp Middle and latter parts light variable air and pleasant ship working to S. ward saw Devilfish and the land to S.W. point thus Ends this day



Saturday August 19th 1854

First part light variable air and pleasant 2 ships in sight at 9 P.M. passed by a Dead Whale saw it astern lower a boat and took him along side had been dead not more than 1 hour at 9 P.M. overhook and cut him found bones in him marked S. S. 2, of 34 at 4 A.M. finished cutting and started the works to boil latter part light air and pleasant steering by the wind on both tacks the wind S.E. wind thus Ends this day



Sunday August 20th 1854

First part light wind from S.E. ward and pleasant steering by the wind on both tacks 2 ships in sight at 5 P.M. raised Bowhead lowered the Star Boat struck and killed the whale and was on board in 1 hour 10 min at 8 P.M. got the whale fluked and commenced to cut finished at 3 A.M. cooled down until 5 A.M. latter part light wind from S. ward and pleasant saw no whale 4 sails in sight the watch employ in boiling thus End this day which brings us to the N. Ward of Perosha latter by Ob. 5 4 12 15

Monday August 21st 1854

First part light winds from E. N. E. and S.E. the watch employ in boiling, saw whales don't know what kind Middle and latter parts strong wind from S. ward and pleasant ship on both saw the land to S.W. and 2 ships no whale the watch employ in boiling thus Ends this day latter by Ob. 5 4 0 10

Tuesday August 22nd 1854

First part light air and calm saw the land to N.W. the ship on both tacks the watch employ in boiling and stowing down in the hold saw no whale Middle and latter parts strong winds from E. S. E. and thick raining weather ship on both tacks saw nothing but 1 ship 15 fms water