

Ship *Wm. Wirt* C. R. Ashley Master

 Saturday May 12th 1855 This day gentle
airs from S.W. and plenty of whales and 2 ships at 12 miles
the Star Boat struck and killed a whale took him alongside
at 5 P.M. over hook and cut him at 11¹/₂ P.M. finished
at 7 A.M. spoke the Phoenix of N. London 7 whales this season
at 12 o'clock started the works to back lowered several times for
whales So ends this day Lat. by Obs. 58° 12' N
Long. by Chron. 150° 12' W

 Sunday May 13th This day light breezes and
pleasant weather the watch employ in Bailing at 7 A.M. the
Waist Boat struck and killed a whale took him alongside
at 9¹/₂ A.M. over hook and cut him in plenty of whales in sight
2 sails and the land Cape Olavin bearing South So ends the
Lat. by Obs. 58° 03' N
Long. by Chron. 150° 03' W

 Monday May 14th All the 24 hours a light breeze
and pleasant the works going at 6 P.M. the Last Boat struck and
killed a whale got alongside at 8 P.M. let him lay at 6 A.M.
over hook and took him in lowered for whales Lat. by Obs. 58° 06' N
Long. by Chron. 150° 13' W

 Tuesday May 15th First part comes on to blow
from S.W. 8. and overcast ship on the S.E. on tack Bailing under
I. H. main topsail saw whales a ship and the land Meddle and
latter parts a strong gale from S.W. 8. and blowing with cold
freezing weather ship on both tacks stopped Bailing saw nothing
carried away the Sling of the Main yard repaired the damage
So ends this day Lat. by Obs. 58° 06' N
Long. by Chron. 150° 13' W

Wednesday May 16th 1855 First part strong
gale from S.W. 8. and overcast weather ship on both tacks
looked for and saw nothing Meddle and latter parts wind
more moderate at 2 A.M. commenced Bailing saw nothing
at 7 A.M. began stowing down in the After Hold
Lat. by Obs. 57° 43' N
Long. by Chron. 150° 13' W

 Thursday May 17th 1855 This day strong breezes freeze
from S.W. 8. ship on both tacks and watch employ in Bailing
at 7 A.M. saw 2 whales and 3 ships 1. Bailing and Capt. Olavin
being S.W. commenced stowing down at 12 noon spoke
the Gov. Group 7 whales this season So ends this day
Lat. by Obs. 58° 02' N
Long. by Chron. 151° 25' W
about where we took the whales

Cruising in the Sea of Ochotsk May 1855

Friday May 18th A.D. 1855 This day light breezes
from S.W. wind and some overcast stowed some Oil Aft.
the watch employ in Bailing saw the Gov. Group nothing
more So ends this day

Saturday May 19th This day fine breezes
ship working to W.S. W. and Bailing and stowing down aft
broke out at and moved some water from forward So ends this day

Sunday May 20th 1855 First part light breeze
from S.W. and pleasant ship on the western tack at 6 P.M. spoke
the Bark Edward of S.B. nothing this season spoke the Gov. Group
Middle and latter parts fresh breezes and pleasant at 12 noon raised
see the first flow we have seen So ends this day the Gov. Group
and R. Edward in sight finished Bailing

Monday May 21st First part fine breezes from S.W. and
and some overcast Jan. in among ice and down tacks and worked out
saw the Group, the Edward and 2 ships Meddle and latter
parts strong breeze from S.W. and some rain all hands employ
in stowing down food saw nothing So ends Lat. by Obs. 58° 06' N

Tuesday May 22nd First part strong winds and
rain saw nothing all hands employ in stowing down forward
Meddle and latter parts light breezes from S.W. 8. ship
on both tacks saw nothing some fog at 12 noon finished
stowing down the 4 whales stowed down 368 Bbls 24 Gals

Wednesday May 23rd This day fresh breezes from
W.ward and fog at intervals the watch employ in scraping Bone
saw nothing So ends this day Lat. by Obs. 58° 06' N
the ship working to W.ward

 Thursday May 24th First part part light
breezes at S.W. the watch employ in scraping Bone spoke the
Gov. Group 7 whales this season saw the land to W. of Cape Olavin
saw the ice and 2 whales So ends this day

Lat. by Obs. 57° 16' N
Long. by Chron. 146° 35' W