

Monday March 20th 1843.

This day begins with heavy gales from the Northward. We were this day amusing ^{ourselves} with catching birds, they being all that is in sight from the ship. After part moderate wind from the Eastward but a heavy sea on. Weather cloudy and chilly.
Lat 26.45 North

Tuesday 21st

Commences with fine pleasant weather, the wind being from the Northward and Eastward. Carpenters employed mending boat. Shortened sail at sundown. After part strong breeze from the North East at 4 past 8 AM kept her off North West with square sails, at 11 AM saw white water two points off Starboard bow. Luff'd two points and kept her N. W. it proved to be hump backs.

Lat 27.23 North
Long 144.26 East

Wednesday 22nd

Commences with strong breeze from the S. E. Cloudy, some appearance of rain. Steering N. W. in search of Whales. The ship has this day been out 15 months and only 200 barrels of Sperm Oil rather bad. Shortened sail at sundown for the night. After part heavy gales from the N. W. Lying to under easy sail.

Lat 28.28 N
Long 143.57 East

Thursday 23rd

Commences with heavy gales from the N. W. Lying to under close reefed Main Top sail. After part clear and pleasant with light breeze from the N. E. Steering by the wind on Starboard Tack, wind hauling gradually to the Eastward. Thus ends another day and no appearance of Sperm Whales.

Lat by Obs 28.34 N
Long by Obs 143.19 E

Friday March 24th 1843.

This day begins with light breezes from the Eastward pleasant and clear. Steering with all drawing sails to the wind to the Northward and Eastward. At sundown took in sail for the night. After part moderate breeze from the S. S. W. saw hump backs, wore ship at 6 1/2 AM ship heading at 12 M. W. by S.

Lat 29.02 North
Long 143.00 East

Saturday 25th

Begins with gales from the S. S. W. Steering by the wind to the Westward, gale increasing we shortened sail. Sundown took in Foresail, Lying to under close reefed Main Top sail, Fore topmast May sail and Mizzen. After part moderate gales from the S. S. W.

No observation this day.

Sunday 26th 44

Commences with rainy, squally, foggy, cloudy wet, disagreeable weather. Steering by the wind to the Southward, wind light. Middle part and After part the same.

Lat by Obs 29.12 N

Monday 27th

Comes in with moderate breezes from the W. S. W. Tacked ship at 2 P. M. ship heading at Sundown W. N. W. Shortened sail for the night steering by the wind. Hump Backs in sight. Wore ship at 7 o'clock and kept her West. Wind from the East. Nearly a calm.

Lat 29.05
Long