



Journal at Sea

July 14th 1843

on Japan

July 7th Tuesday fair weather and light breezes steering by the wind it sail in sight to leeward on the other track nothing in sight except finbacks and porpoises

8th Wednesday hazy weather and light breezes steering by the wind nothing in sight except porpoises and fish playing round the ship

Latitude 39.00 North

9th Thursday fair weather and light breezes steering by the wind nothing in sight except porpoises and a turtle which we took by lowering it boat at after it and fastening to it with a lance and it has noose

10th Friday fair weather and light breezes steering by the wind it sail in sight to leeward apparently trying out nothing else in sight

11th Saturday fair weather and light breezes steering by the wind nothing in sight except two or three finbacks

12th Sunday fair weather and light breezes steering by the wind nothing in sight except finbacks

13th Monday fair in the morning but squally with the rest of the day at times light breezes steering by the wind nothing in sight except finbacks

14th Tuesday fair weather and light breezes steering by the wind nothing in sight except sharks and other fish playing round the ship

15th Wednesday fair weather and light breezes steering by the wind it was calm in the afternoon nothing in sight except a great many sharks &c

16th Thursday calm in the morning but in the afternoon a light breeze sprang up steering South nothing in sight except a jumpers fish playing round the ship &c

17th Friday fair weather and light breeze steering S it sail in sight on the lee bow and in the afternoon spoke the ship George and Susan of New Bedford 21 months old 1000 bl &c