

Journal

Thursday 2 April 1846

More moderate weather to day with light breezes from the West wind veering to South but every appearance of growing to have a heavy blow steering to the N W and Westward nothing in sight Lat Long

Friday 3 April

Blowing a heavy gale with strong squalls and rain winds variable from S W by S to E and North at 11h AM the gale broke but a heavy sea running latter part the ship lying to head to the West nothing in sight but birds

Lat 35 20 Long 153 20

Saturday 4 April

Blowing strong from the North in the first part middle and latter parts moderate steering to the N E several fin backs in sight and large numbers of birds Lat 38 Long 152 49

Sunday 5 April

First part strong breezes from the North middle and latter parts moderate steering under all sail by the wind to N E & passed a very large tree no whales in sight gave a sick goater a dose of Castoreum plenty of birds all round

Lat 40 5 Long 153 28

Monday 6 April

Strong breeze through the day from the West and N W steering by the wind to the North nothing in sight

Lat 40 20 Long 153 48

Tuesday 7 April

Blowing strong gales throughout the day from the S E first and latter parts steering to the North saw several fin backs and large numbers of birds saw two large shales of Black fish growing to the South West blowing to fresh to lower thick overcast weather got no observation

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Wednesday 8 April 1846

First part blowing very heavy middle and latter parts moderate wind S E lying too at day light made all sail to the Eastward at 4h PM saw one right whale bound to the S E

Lat Long

Thursday 9 April

Light breezes from the S E in the first part at 1h PM raised a sail squared the gale and ran faster at 3h PM raised a whale growing to the S E very fast hauled the ship to the wind and gave chase at 4h gave up the chase as he was growing away from us at 6h PM spoke the ship Jonas of Nantux one whale this season middle and latter parts thick fog

Lat Long

Friday 10th

Light breeze from the North fog snow and hail saw the Jonas to the Eastward at 4h PM saw two whales sporting being a snow storm did not lower at 6h AM raised whales lowered without success at after chasing all forenoon plenty of whales in sight seem to be growing to the East some a little to the North others a little to the South of East saw the Jonas chasing Lat 42 55 Long 153 24

Saturday 11th

Clear weather with a pleasant breeze from the N W at 1h PM lowered after a gam of whales the whist boat had a chance but missed the whale being too deep under water at 3h lowered again got nothing yesterday morning the ship and sails was covered with ice at 7h PM lowered again got nothing plenty of whales in sight but very wild saw the ship Jonas to windward watching