

Journal of a Voyage kept on board Ship Thetis

Friday May 31 1844

Heavy gales from the Eastward Sailing to under
Thetis sail Lat 52:00 N

Saturday June 1st

Fresh gales from the N.E. Sailing to sail down
the main top sail repaired and bent it again
at 4 1/2 PM saw 2 Right Whales going to the N.W.

Sunday June 2nd

Fresh gales from the Northward steering by the wind
to the Eastward at 7 PM Tacked Ship
Lat by Obs 51:18 N Long 147:29 West

Monday June 3rd

Light winds from the Northward steering by the
wind to the Westward until 7 PM when we wore
ship till sail night's Easy sail saw many poor
prospect of getting any thing Saw Finbacks

Lat 51:14 Long 148:00

Tuesday June 4th

Light winds from the Northward steering by the
wind on both tacks first part foggy later part clear
Lat by Obs 51:25 N Long by Chron 149:00 W

Wednesday June 5th

Light winds from the Northward steering by the
wind to the Westward very foggy

Thursday June 6th

Light winds from the Northward with fog steer
ing by the wind to the westward
saw Whales supposed them to Right Lat 53:07
Long 151:40

of Fair Haven Cruising on the West for Boston

Friday June 7th 1844

Light winds from the Southward steering North and
by the wind at 1 PM lowered for 4 Right whales but
did not get on at 5 PM lowered again but with
success spoke the George Newton of New Bedford
6 1/2 months out 1 Whale

Saturday June 8th

Clear rising foggy weather Sailing to the Newton
in sight

Sunday June 9th

Light winds from the Southward Cruising at 1 PM
Saw Whales and put off 3 boats after them but did
not get on at 5 PM took up the boats 4 Ships in sight
at whaling Lat 54:16 Long

Monday June 10th

Light winds from the Westward Cruising at 5 PM
Saw Right Whales in sight and lowered for them
the Weist Boat fastened and parted at 7 1/2
PM took up the boat 3 sails in sight 1 Boat out

Tuesday June 11th

Light winds from the Westward Cruising at 1 PM low
ered for Right Whales the Southward boat fastened and
drew the Bow boat fastened to the same one and parted
the Weist boat fastened to another and the Iron broke
Quite foggy at times

Wednesday June 12th

Moderate winds from the Westward Cruising
first part foggy at noon clear up some 2 sails in sight
Lat 54:02 Long 149:57 W