

Journal of a Whaling Voyage kept on board

Monday November 29 1841

A stiff breeze from the westward steering
E under all sail frequent squalls of rain.
Lat 62:06 Long 144:17

Tuesday November 30

A stiff breeze from the westward with rain steering
E under all sail Lat 62:10 Long 144:10

Wednesday November 30^{1st} Dec

A moderate breeze from the Westward steering
E under all sail Lat 61:49 Long 145:40

Thursday December 1

Dec 2
Fresh breezes from the West steering E by N and
N E under all sail Lat 61:46 Long 145:45

Friday December 2

Dec 3
Fresh breezes and rainy steering N E and N
by E under all sail Lat 61:31 Long 149:48

Saturday December 3

Dec 4
Breezy weather and light breezes steering on the
wind and E under all sail Lat 61:44 Long 151:1

Sunday December 5^{1st}

Light winds from the Eastward steering on the
wind under all sail

Monday December 6^{2nd}

Light winds and rainy weather steering
on the wind Lat 62 Long 152:33

On the Eleventh day of December 1841 I was in
the Ship Tharom Capt Thomas Norris in the latitude
of 1 Degree South and Longitude of 152:33 East
The sun arose in great splendour and the day was most
beautiful and passed away with the usual work on board
of a Whaling Ship at sea such as looking out for whales steering
the Ship at work in the rigging &c about 15 minutes
after the watch had been called at 4 PM I was in the
Starboard Quarter boat hanging up 2 pairs of hammocks
on a line strung between the When I overheard the Cook
singing the Mävered in the Cabin the cabin was singing
out will you lie to me again and the Steward singing
out you will kill me The Captain then sang out let go of
that and the steward you will kill me if I do The first
Officer then went down and the captain came up and told
them to seize the steward up which he did in the larboard
side of the Mävered rigging he then took down his hammocks
and washed up his shirt The Captain then took the double
point of some 21 yarn rigging and gave him 2 dozen lashes
let him down and told him to go to his duty about 7 o'clock
I was working the Starboard side of the Quarter deck and
the first Officer the Starboard at spinning a yarn the Cabin
belt rang for the steward and the word was passed
along for him in a few minutes it rang again and
the first Officer went to Cabin gangway and asked if
the steward was below and being answered in the negative
he then sang out and asked the steward was forward
and was answered by William Smith that he was
he then went forward and I followed and sang out for
the steward at the Forecastle gangway and he was
answered by some of the men that he was not coming
up until he was used better I then went aft to speak
to the Captain and met him on the Starboard side of
the Quarter deck and told him how things stood he
then went forward and sang out for the steward a number
of times and he not coming up he said go and fetch
that fellow out of that the first Officer then furnished