

Remarks on the Passage to the Arctic Ocean

Wednesday March the 19th

Commences with a light breeze from the S.E. and fine weather. The Ship with all sail set heading E.N.E. at 8 P.M. took the breeze from the South squared the Yards & kept the Ship E by N, the middle part brisk breezes and fine weather. The latter part moderate & fine the Watch employed with Sundry jobs about the Ship. Nothing of the Whale kind to cheer us on the way. Lat by Chron 25.14 North, Long by Chron 128.24 East

Thursday March the 20th

Commences with a light breeze from the South with pleasant weather. The Ship with all sail set steering E by N, the middle & latter part a light air from the West with fine weather, course East. The Watch employed with Ship's duty, nothing of the Whale kind. Lat by Chron 25.11 North Long by Chron 129.13 East

Friday March the 21st

Commences with a light air from the West, and the weather warm & pleasant. The Ship with all Draining sail set steering East, at 6 P.M. took a breeze from the S.W. and set the Jibs & main sail heading S.S.E. at 11 P.M. a fresh breeze from the S.W. and veered Ship to the North, the middle & latter part a brisk breeze and fair weather, saw one hump back & one fin back through the Day. Lat by Chron 26.09 North, Long by Chron 129.40 East

Saturday March the 22nd

Commences with a brisk breeze from the East with fair weather. The Ship with all sail set by the Wind heading S.W., at 4 P.M. strong breezes & squared the fore & main top gallant sails, the middle & latter part strong breezes from the S.E. and fair weather. Ship heading E.P.E. Lat by Chron 27.42 North Long by Chron 131.19

Sunday March the 23rd these 24 hours Commences with a strong breeze from the S.E. & S.S.E. the Ship by the wind with all prudent sail set heading to the Eastward, at 10 P.M. a brisk breeze from the South and kept the Ship East at 4 A.M. more moderate & set the fore & main top gallant sails & flying jib, the latter part brisk breezes and fair weather. Nothing of the Whale kind. Lat by Chron 27.58 North, Long by Chron 134.00 East

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Remarks on Board

Monday March the 24th

Commences with a brisk breeze from the South with fair weather. The Ship with all sail set steering East the middle & latter part moderate breezes and pleasant, at 12 A. hauled up E by S, saw several fin backs through the Day. Lat by Chron 28.14 North, Long by Chron 136.28 East

Tuesday March the 25th

these twenty four hours commences with a moderate breeze from the Southward attended with fine pleasant weather. The Ship with all sail set steering E by S, the middle & latter part a brisk breeze from the S.W. and pleasant. Lat by Chron 28.07 North Long by Chron 139.43

Wednesday March the 26th

Commences with a brisk breeze from the S.W. attended with fine weather. The Ship with all sail set steering E by S, the middle part brisk breezes gradually veering to the North, from 10 to 12 M. the wind hauled to the N.E. Ship heading E.S.E. Ends with strong breezes with passing clouds, the Watch employed with various jobs. Lat by Chron 27.28 North, Long by Chron 141.15 East

Thursday March the 27th

Commences with a strong breeze from the N.E. and some cloudy. The Ship by the Wind with all sail set heading E.S.E. at 2 P.M. saw the Bonin Islands bearing per Compass E by South, Dist. 2 leagues. at 4 P.M. the wind hauled to the S.W. same time lashed Ship to the North, at 10 P.M. increasing breezes with a bad head sea, same time furled the top gallant sail, and at 1 A.M. single reef, & the Mizzen top sail, at 2 A.M. kept the Ship N.E. with a strong breeze from the E.S.E. at 6 A.M. set the main top gallant sail & kept the Ship N.E. the wind veering to the S.W. at 10 huffed up S.W. & at 12 M. set in to rain. Lat by Chron 29.35 North Long by Chron 142.05 East

Friday March the 28th Commences with a strong breeze from the S.W. attended with rain & a bad head swell. The Ship with all prudent sail set steering S.W. at 3 P.M. the weather fair and the sea more regular, accordingly let the reef out of the Mizzen top sail & set the fore top gallant sail, at 9 P.M. kept off East, at 12 M. strong breezes & veering to the North, furled the top gallant sail, & single reef, & the Mizzen top sail, at 5 A.M. hauled to the wind heading E.N.E. Ends with a strong breeze from the N.E. with clear rugged weather. Nothing of the Whale kind. Lat by Chron 29.44 North Long by Chron 144.35 East