

May 30. 1849

Bark Bruce Cruising off Nobe Bay

Wednesday 30 commences with strong breezes from S.W. and squally of rain the boats off after whales at 1 P.M. took the whale along side the ship. Tallow employed boiling at 8 P.M. cold down the work. Blowing and raining heavy at daylight started the work again. Blowing a gale from S.W. so ends

Thursday 31 commences with heavy gale from S.W. heading to the Eastward boiling at 10 finished the blubber being blasted so that it would not boil cleared the deck and put the blubber in to cask to run out other middle part lying by the above mentioned whale at daylight got up the tables and commenced cutting at half past 10 at 11 finished and started the work so ends

Friday June 1 commences with light air from S.E. heat set the fore topmasts and reeled gill and sparker all hands employed boiling at 10 P.M. clearing up the head middle part squally rain at 10 P.M. 3 P.M. finished at daylight cleared the deck and washed off. The barometer went below 30

Saturday 2 commences cloudy rainy weather the wind from S.E. heading S.W. middle part strong breezes under cable reaped topmasts at daylight called all hands and commenced stowing down the weather fine at 10 P.M. reaped out set the dunnage for galantails

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Sunday 3 commences with moderate breezes from S.E. heading S.W. all hands employed stowing down at sunset finished and washed off middle part fine ready sale last part squally with rain so ends

Monday 4 commences with strong breezes from S.E. sailing all sale except fore topgalantails and gafftopsails middle part the same last part strong breezes from S.E. heading S.W. by S so ends

Tuesday 5 commences with strong breezes from S.E. heading S.W. by the wind middle part the same last part strong breezes and squally at 3 P.M. took the main topgalantails so gumpers so ends

Wednesday 6 commences with strong breezes S.E. heading S.W. by the wind under topmasts courses gill and sparker at sunset double reaped the topmasts filled the main sale gill sparker at daylight main sale heading S.W. so ends with fine weather

Thursday 7 commences fine with strong breezes from S.E. heading S.W. at sunset took in the main topgalantails gill sparker and main sale at 1 P.M. heading S.W. by S middle and last part squally at 10 P.M. cleared down the dunnage at 10 P.M. hoisted there lat. 04-44 Long 50-18 East so ends