

Lat-40.00

Wednesday

Dec 10th 1884

Long 162.31

First and middle part of this day blowing strong from the WSW. latter part moderating wind from the SSW. made some sail nothing been seen.

Lat-39.58

Thursday

Dec 11th

Long 162.6

This day fine weather with light breezes from the W. ship steering S.E. about 1 O'clock P.M. for boat-stern raised two right-whales. towed the boats and chased until dark but without success. galled them and they went all ways, we are having fearful hard luck. hope our luck will change for the better soon. The starboard boat went on and struck with both irons, and they both came out, we are all feeling badly to night to have such works. Took down the old sprinker and bent a new one.

Lat-40.8

Friday

Dec 12th

Long 162.18

First part of this day fine weather with moderate breezes from the WSW. ship on the starboard tack working to the W. about 8 O'clock Mr Mingo raised two right-whales two points on the weather bow lowered all the boats for them. the starboard boat went on and the boat-stern darted but the iron did not go in, chased until 1 O'clock and then took up the boats it came on to blow hard with heavy rain weather very thick and stormy to night ship under storm sails to night. having fearful bad luck this season

Lat-39.59

Saturday

Dec 13 1884

Long 161.42

Blowing a gale from the SW to SSW ship on the port tack under storm sails blowing very hard in squalls, with some rain nothing been seen to day killed two pigs

Lat-39.36

Sunday

Dec 14th

Long 161.38

First part blowing strong from the S. middle and latter part more moderate ship on the wind working to the W. nothing been seen except albatross, shortened sail at dusk.

Lat-39.30

Monday

Dec 15th

Long 162.31

Moderate breeze from the S.E. with very heavy swell ship stood on opposite tacks nothing been seen except birds employed mending fore top sail and fore sail finished them and bent them both, so ends

Lat-39.25

Tuesday

Dec 16th

Long 161.57

Moderate breeze from the S.E. ship stood on opposite tacks weather good employed mending main gallant sail broke out beans molasses & vinegar ran four fin backs so ends this day.

Lat-39.54

Wednesday

Dec 17th

Long 162.46

Very light breezes from the ESE ship on the wind working to the S. about 9 O'clock spoke the Bark Seablow Capt McParris came on board and spent the day. taken 330 lbs whale oil this season. nothing been seen except one fin back, and a school of porpoises beautiful weather fine and clear.