

Lat 30.33

Long 177.17

Tuesday

Nov 24th 1885

This day very light breezes from the N ship on the wind working to the N. about 11.30 A.M. Joe boat steered raised sperm whale on the weather bow going to the wind and quick lowered three boats but without success none saw them from mast head after the boats lowered there was no wind and they went out of sight. finished the misser top sail and bent it also repaired the jib. weather ends fine. whales going N.W.

Lat 30.41

Wednesday

Nov 25th

Long 177.36

Very light breezes from the N.W. ship steering W. had several heavy rain squalls through the day. men employed rearing new rigging nothing been seen.

Thursday

Nov 26th

First and middle part of this day very light breezes from the N.E. ship steering W. latter part on the wind wind increased to a strong breeze. Goat island in sight bearing to the westward men employed rearing new running rigging. plenty of birds and fish in sight - so ends.

Friday

Nov 27th

This day calms and light breezes from the N.E. to S.E. ship on the wind weather fine and pleasant. men employed washing bone. finished about 6 P.M. nothing been seen except birds and fish so ends this day.

Saturday

Nov 28th 1885

This day light breezes from the E by S first and middle part steering W by S latter part on the wind heading N.E. by N. at sunset were ships. Sunday island and Goat island in sight. employed drying the bone and rearing new rigging caught some fish to night - so ends.

Sunday

Nov 29th

Very light breezes from the E S.E. to N.E. ship stood on opposite tack Goat island in sight bearing W. also plenty of birds and fish in sight took up the bone to dry. weather ends beautiful.

Monday

Nov 30th

This day fine weather with moderate breezes from the E.N.E. ship steering S.S.W. about 2.30 P.M. John Mc Dade raised a school of sperm whales about 10 miles to the eastward of Curtis rocks coming from the S.W. and going to the N.E. quick lowered three boats and the Starboard boat struck the whale. the main boat also struck the whale and got store they let the boat go and came aboard without it lost it got the whale along side about 7 o'clock. got supper and went to cutting got through about 3 A.M. let the head lay over the side for the night. took up the bone and bundled it part of it. Goat island also in sight. to the Westward of us.