

on Board Bark *Abner Barker* on *Tasques* ^{ground}

Sunday October 4th 1868

The first part of these 24 hours strong breeze from the North West. We were under topsails & carried 7 sails. The wind on the Port tack was at 6 P.M. we shortened sail 70 ft. Middle part good weather & we were under short sail. Latter part pleasant & we made all sail & stood by the wind on the Port tack for a while & 2

Monday October 5th 1868

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant with the wind from the W. We had all sail set & steering by the wind on the Starboard tack. At 4 P.M. we sighted a Brig that C.P. Meane shortened sail 90 ft. Middle part pleasant & we were under short sail & steering South with the wind from the W. 90. Latter part the same only we had a strong breeze & we were under double reef topsails & under

Tuesday October 6th 1868

The first part of these 24 hours strong breeze from the W. We were under double reef topsails & carried 7 sails. Steering South at 6 P.M. we rounded our foretopmast & close reefed our maintop sail & about dark a sperm whale came ast to our ship & we went off on midland. Middle part strong breezes from the S.W. & we were under short sail & 2. Latter part good weather & we made sail and about 11 A.M. we raised sperm whales again ast to our ship & we loaded & killed but we killed them & we did not get any & 2.

Wednesday October 7th 1868

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant but a heavy sea on line was passing whales until 4 P.M. then we gave them up & went on board & at 6 P.M. we shortened sail. Middle part pleasant & calm & we were under short sail. Latter part the same & we made all sail & our men have been employed at ships deck & at mending our foretop sail & then we went down and maintop sail & mended that & bent it again.

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Thursday October 8th 1868

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant & calm & we had all sail set for a while. We had all hands on deck employed at mending and furling & maintop sail & bent them & reefed them & about 2 P.M. Middle part pleasant & we lay with our heads & yards & 2. Latter part strong breeze & we were employed at whaling & 2.

Friday October 9th 1868

The first part of these 24 hours strong breezes & we were all employed at cutting in our whale which we finished about 8 P.M. & all hands went below for the night & 2. Middle part fresh breezes & we were lying with no sail set & only one man on deck at a time & 2. Latter part strong breeze & we double reefed our topsails & set them & furl & sparker & went through clearing away our deck & putting up plank & cleaning up our ship & 2. Started to work & 2.

Saturday October 10th 1868

The first part of these 24 hours good weather & we were all hands employed at trying out & fixing our boat & 2. Middle part pleasant & calm & we were employed at trying out our whale & 2. Latter part the same & we made all sail & steered S.W. with the wind from the Westward & we were employed at trying out & 2.

Sunday October 11th 1868

The first part of these 24 hours pleasant with the wind from the W. & we were steering S.E. & our men have been employed at trying out & at 6 P.M. we shortened sail & 2. Middle part pleasant & we finished trying out & 2. Latter part we had a light breeze & steering & we made all sail & 2.