

Ship *Cumbria* While Cruising About the Arctic Ocean

Saturday June 22nd. Commenced with a very light air, stood within 5 or 6 miles of the shore then sent 3 boats in to see if they could find any Whales at 8 they returned, without success. took them up & stood off middle part running up with East Cape at 4. All sent the boats off for Whales but they soon returned without success had a lot of boxes of trade goods with the natives for their clothing & other goods about calm the day closed to us Capt Norton came on board an hour or two before.

Sunday June 23rd. Commenced with moderate breeze from the N.W. and light air at 3 P.M. sent a great many Whales all going quick to the North part East Cape chased them until half past 10 the weather then shot down thick took up the boats the weather remained very thick until 12. At 1 P.M. a little saw Whales lowered the boats about 11 struck a Whale and got the boat stove so the whale went off to his own destruction at 12 took the stove boat in other boats proceeded on after the whale after the fog cleared up enough to see him which lasted about half an hour so ends.

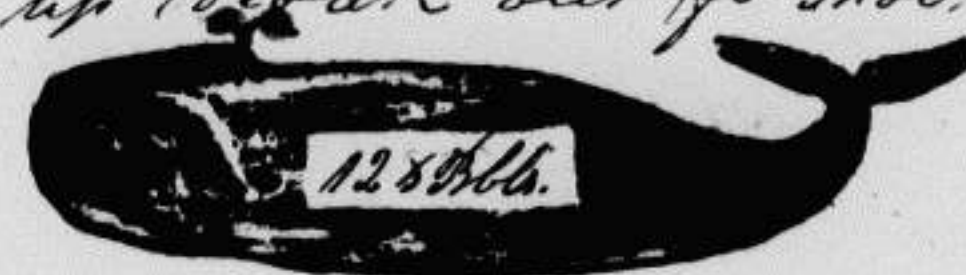
Monday June 24th. Commenced with moderate breeze, and pleasant about 1 P.M. struck the Whale again and turned him up half past 2 took him to the ship half past 3 commenced cutting about 4 finished a made tail &c. middle and latter part light air and calm with fine pleasant weather 8 or 10 befalls in sight 3 of them boiling saw on Polar Whales going very quick sent the boat off for him. Lat by Obs 66° 30' North.

Tuesday June 25th. Commenced with light air and pleasant weather at 3 P.M. commenced boiling middle part pleasant latter part a moderate breeze from the North saw and chased a number Polar Whales all going quick to the North saw the Vary close down with a Whale so ended middle part boiling and repairing the stove boat &c.

Wednesday June 26th. Commenced with a moderate breeze from the North middle part squally with rain shortened sail latter part moderate with pleasant employed sitting up shoes and sharing Whales all going quick to the North at 11 A.M. finished boiling. Lat by Obs 66° 30' East Cape Landing, N.W.

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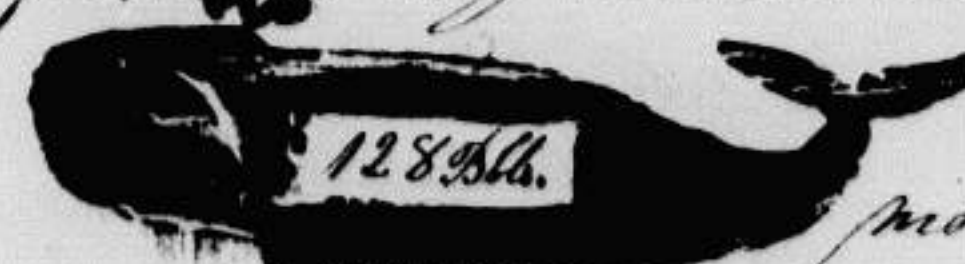
Thursday June 27th. Commenced with light air and calm saw and chased considerable many Whales all going quick to the North saw the Ship Dover of New London take a Whale besides one other ship at 5 P.M. put the Starboard boat out half past 6 lowered for Whales at 8 struck one turned him up & took him to the ship half past 10 commenced cutting half past 3 A.M. finished brand for all the people go below and take a nap of 4 or 5 hours then turned on and cleared up break out 10 shoes employed sitting them up &c.



Lat by Obs 66° 40' E. Cape bearing South. Friday June 28th. Commenced with a moderate breeze from the South with pleasant weather employed sitting up Pipe shoes & scraping bone at 3 P.M. the Southerly wind left us a breeze springing up from the North raised the top sails at 4 P.M. commenced boiling & then laid us at mid night it blew up again from the North and blew us on to a moderate gale latter part lay under main & sail & fore sail employed boiling and firing the pipes to stow down for coals. moderate gales from N.W. with squalls of snow.

Saturday June 29th. Commenced with a moderate gale from the N.W. with fair weather middle part more moderate at 1 P.M. finished boiling latter part moderate pleasant weather employed standing by between 12 & 1 sent one boat off for a Whale but he returned without success. 8 befalls in sight all appear to be employed in boiling down.

Sunday June 30th. Commenced with a moderate breeze from the North and pleasant half past 7 sent the boat off for a Whale at 8 struck him turned him up at 11 took him to the ship half past 10 commenced cutting at 11 P.M. spoke the Ship John of New Bedford & Whales this season half past 3 A.M. finished cutting wore none off shore let her lay aback until 9 A.M. then hoisted full latter part pleasant employed sitting up Pipe shoes and scraping bone sent the boat off on 10 for Whales they returned without success 18 or 20 befalls in sight &c.



Monday July 1st. All these 24 hours moderate breeze from the North with fair weather employed boiling sitting up shoes and firing C.B. to stow 18 or 20 befalls in sight all appear to be employed Whaling the land 15 or 20 miles to the West of us &c.