

Remarks On Board The Brig Catharwood in Nov 1846

Sunday 22nd the begins with fine pleasant breeze from N.W. At 5 P.M. saw in sail steering before the wind sent up topsail At sundown wore ship and took in sail the middle and latter part the same At 10 1/2 saw boat off whaling from bark yeoman saw the ship Joseph Mays strike two whales got one so ends Lat by obs 59-50 South Long by Chro 50-00 West

Monday 23rd the same At 2 P.M. saw more whales At 4 struck and killed to the larboard boat At sundown took him along side the middle and latter rigger rained some the falls getting ready to cut in. No Lat. No Long this day 50-10

Tuesday 24th the begins with calm At 1 1/2 looked on the whale wind from North At 5 P.M. wind from South with a strong breeze and rainey gave up cutting got the head mast half off At 7 P.M. the rope parted At 8 P.M. parted the other winter rope and lost the whale that is our luck the latter part being a gale of wind from south saw a sail so ends 5 1/2 latitude 50-00 longitude 49-40 West

Wednesday 25th the begins with a gale of wind very heavy saw 2 on from south At 5 P.M. spoke the Samuel Thomas prowned torn and wore ship set. top foresails the middle and latter part more moderate At sunrise double reef topsails saw 2 sail one bound home so ends this 24 hours Lat by obs 41-26 South Long by Chro 52-07 West

Thursday 26th the begins with a fine breeze and rigger from S.E. to S.S.E. At 5 P.M. wore ship to the East the middle part light breeze the latter strong from S.W. to W.N.W. standing to the S.W. squally douded reefed 2 top so ends this day Lat by obs 41-55 S Long. No Lat 52-00 West

Friday 27th the begins with strong squally thick At 3 P.M. took in all sail being heavy from South also up in topsail At 5 set fore spanner At 8 P.M. clear as a whistle the middle and latter part part heavy squalls and hail At 9 P.M. set 1/2 top 2 with close reef main topsail and fore sail so ends this 24 hours very cold wind from S.W. Lat by obs 41-15 South Long by Chro 50-10 West

Capt Elmatham Cushing Master

Saturday 28th the begins with a gale of wind from South steering N.W. & with close reefed main top and fore sails At sundown luffed by the wind to the N.W. took in foresail with main squalls blowing the same watches thro' the night so ends this 24 hours Lat by obs 40-26 S Long by Chro 50-32 West

Sunday 1st March the begins with a light breeze and squally from S.W. to S.W. At 4 P.M. set fore topsail with double reef main the middle and latter part the same saw a sail so ends stored No Lat by comp Lat by obs 40-12 S Long by Chro 50-18 West

Monday 2nd the begins with a fine breeze from S.W. At 2 P.M. spoke the Brig Malta of Lisbury 10 mi 70 lbs At 5 saw a northern sail the middle and latter light breeze then rained saw two sail At 10 P.M. fine with calm so ends this 24 hours Lat by obs 39-50 South Long by Chro 49-54 West

Tuesday 3rd the begins with a fine breeze from S.W. steered to the south the brandt's boat came on board of us Capt Sanson At 4 P.M. a strong breeze At sundown wore ship to the West the middle and latter part the same at 10 P.M. stored N.B. saw several sail so ends this 24 hours with a gale Lat by obs 39-50 South Long by Chro 50-34 West

Wednesday 4th the begins with a strong breeze from S.W. At 2 P.M. spoke the ship Joseph Mays on different tack the middle and latter moderate At sunrise the Joseph Mays boat came on board the Capt went there and spent the day saw 4 sail so ends this day Lat by obs 40-10 South Long by Chro 49-48 West

Thursday 5th the begins with a fine breeze from N.W. steered to the N.E. set all sail as required At sundown had a gale with the American and J Mays a mid bar crew of S.W. Amaran 15-10 450 lbs J Mays 15-10 290 lbs so ends latter part a fine breeze Lat 39-50 Long 48-49 West

Friday 6th the begins with a fine breeze and pleasant heading to the N.W. At sundown wore ship to the W. the latter part fine and foggy At 8 am stored saw caught a porpoise yesterday in the afternoon Lat by obs 38-52 South Long by Chro 50-12 West