

Remarks on Board Bark Sarah Sheaf

Friday

March 25th 1859. First part a calm & pleasant
 M.R. Lowmire for supposed black-fish
 112 miles off found them to be Crabs
 Each boat caught & brought alongside a
 "un-fish" queer customers, then ran for
 at 7 P.M. a light breeze sprang up from
 E. & E. Cracked what luck - hauled up
 & headed N.E. & S.W. Midnight tacked
 to the E. at daylight passed a French
 bark in the opposite track - at 7 Am.
 tacked to the N.E. & at 10 do. tacked
 to the E.S.E. & being open doing the same
 1800 strokes
 Lat 48° 34' 21"
 Long Chs 48° 34'

Saturday First part fish hays from N.E.
 March 26th steering to the wind to the E.S.E.
 the bark in sight on the quarter but being
 ground was distant. M. & Latta parts
 Strong wind from N. at 7 Am. saw
 3 or 4 sperm whales off the lee & at 8
 do. looked for them but did not see them
 again from either boats or ship - came
 aboard & went to cruising for them
 1800 strokes
 At 10.

Sunday Comes in with strong increasing wind
 2nd at 2 P.M. gave up the whales & stood to the
 N.E. by E. at 3 P.M. saw 2 sperm whales
 by the same - Edward. S. T. went on & got
 them - very much - came aboard & got her
 under shift sail it blowing a gale -
 M. & Latta parts a gale from N. at 5 P.M.
 left off N.E. by E. made some sail
 2400 strokes
 At 10.

Homeward Bound March, 1859.

Friday

March 26th First part a gale from N. M. came N.E.
 by E. M. & Latta parts do. from N.E.
 a French bark in company
 1800 strokes
 Lat 48° 34' 21"
 Long Chs 48° 34'

Saturday

March 27th All of this day strong wind from N.
 & some squally - came N.E. Latta part
 made some sail. Stages air &c
 2000 strokes. the bark in sight
 Lat 48° 34' 21"
 Long Chs 48° 34'

Sunday

March 28th First part strong breeze from N. & some
 squally - All sail set - the bark in sight
 also saw 3 sails going N. M. & Latta parts
 fish hays from N.E. - this morning at 6
 A.M. Capt. Latta made me to go below off duty
 "My well Sir" was my reply & thus the matter
 settled
 2000 strokes.

Monday

March 29th First part fresh wind from N. & pleasant
 came N.E. by N. All sail set stages air &c
 M. & Latta parts the same employed in writing
 a history of the last few days -
 Lat 48° 29'

Tuesday

March 30th All of this day fresh breeze from N.
 to E.S.E. came N.E. by E. - passed 2 sails
 Lat 48° 02'
 Long Chs 37° 24'