

Remarks on Board Bark Clara Hill

Wednesday July 11th 1858

Commenced with strong Breeze from Southward
Bark by the wind by up 18 1/2 under short sail
saw many Finbacks hope soon to see sperm-
whales Middle part weather about the same
Vatter part more moderate saw Finbacks
Blackfish & Porpoises and think next will be
sperm whales
Lat 40. 10. 11. N Long 74. 39. 30. W

Thursday 12th

Commenced with strong Breeze from the
Southward Bark heading by the wind by up
from 8 1/2 to 16 1/2 under easy sail at sunset
took in the mainsail Middle part weather
the same Vatter part made sail saw Finback
& Porpoises &c
Lat 40. 20. 51. N Long 74. 37. 00. W

Friday 13th

Commenced with Pleasant Breeze from S.W.
Bark by the wind by up 8 1/2 saw two hinds
and the ground is looking lively I think we have
sight to see some sperm whales at sunset short
sail Middle part moderate Vatter part at daylight
made sail two Barks in sight Bona & French
Bark and sent a letter to the vessel from the
whales
Lat 40. 41. 16. N Long 74. 34. 30. W

Saturday 14th

Commenced with moderate Breeze from S.W.
Bark by the wind by up 8 1/2 saw Porpoises
hope to see whales soon at sunset shortened sail
Middle part Pleasant Vatter part at daylight
made sail saw two sails no whales yet
but we are looking sharp and full hopes
to see soon soon
To End
Lat 40. 41. 27. N
Long 74. 31. 40. W

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Sunday July 11th 1858

Commenced with moderate Breeze from Southward
Bark heading E.S.E at sunset shortened sail
saw Blackfish brown & got out head ship
the Westward at midnight heard ship to S.E
Vatter part saw several hinds and many Finbacks
Lat 40. 41. 21. N Long 74. 29. 10. W

Monday 12th

Commenced with light Breeze from S.W. Bark
by the wind by up 16 1/2 many Finbacks &c
hope to see whales soon Middle & Vatter part
weather Pleasant Bark heading from S.W. 1/2 S
saw Blackfish no whales yet although the
water looks like good whale ground
Lat 40. 40. 22. N Long 74. 28. 00. W

Tuesday 13th

Commenced with Pleasant Breeze from Southward
Bark by the wind by up 16 1/2 at 3 1/2 P.M. saw
the Island of Pico hairy 1/2 of Cape and we
all hope to get a whale tomorrow Good ground we
may Middle part head ship to the Southward
Vatter part at daylight made all sail and
shortened S.E. secured in sight
Lat 40. 38. 55. N Long 74. 28. 00. W

Wednesday 14th

Commenced with strong Breeze from N.W.
Bark by the wind by up 16 1/2 at sunset shortened
sail Middle part weather the same Vatter part
at 2 A.M. heard ship by up 16 1/2 at daylight made
sail weather cloudy some rain the Islands
in sight but no whales at 10 A.M. wind
shifted to the Eastward started N.W.
Lat 40. 38. 12. N Long 74. 30. 00. W

Sail now begin another Day and since
to get a whale before I finish it