

Saturday Dec 24th 1859

Commenced with nothing in sight Middle, but under short sail latter part all sail saw many Finbacks head back but we hope for the best

Sunday 25th

Commenced with Pleasant Trades Bark heading N. W. at 1 P.M. started off N. E. saw Finbacks Breaching at 3 1/4 P.M. saw and heard good Blackps but saw nothing more of them so our luck seems to run hope and pray we may have better soon tomorrow is the birthday of our Saviour & sunset tomorrow saw middle and latter part weather fine saw Finbacks Breaching but nothing more

Monday 26th

Commenced with Pleasant Trades Bark heading N. E. under easy sail saw Blackfish and the ground for the body and heard and we want some Whales feed only Kums and I sincerely hope and pray we may be blessed with a sight of some soon Monday & latter part steady saw everything but sperm whales

Tuesday 27th

Commenced with Strong Trades Bark heading N. E. at sunset sailed and under short sail middle part moderate latter part seas strong Bark in the N. W. sail

Wednesday 28th

Commenced with Strong Trades Bark on the latter sail by up N. W. at sunset sailed and took in the canvas middle part sailed again to the N. E. at 6 P.M. heard ship to the N. E. and a breeze to the Eastward

Remarks on Board Bark Clara Bell Cruising for Whales

Sunday Jan 1st 1859

Commenced with Pleasant Trades Bark in shore sail by up N. E. & Middle part heading off shore latter part heading in shore saw two Barks and plenty Finbacks

Monday 2nd

Commenced with moderate Trades Bark heading in shore spoke the two Barks Bark Vesper and Bark by Mark B. Columbus and another

Tuesday 3rd

Commenced with moderate Trades Cruising but we see no Whales hope we shall soon

Wednesday 4th

Commenced with moderate Trades Cruising we spoke the S. Houghton Robinson and another 2 Barks 1st B. of Spring

Thursday 5th

Commenced with moderate Trades strong storm with all sail set at sunset took in the by the sails and luffed to wind to the N. E.

Friday 6th

Commenced with Pleasant Trades Bark on the Eastern sail spoke Bark Eury Hanna Calhoun Mash and another 5 or 6 Barks

Saturday 7th

Commenced with strong Trades Bark on the Eastern sail at sunset sailed and shortened sail and have seen any quantity of Whales and hope we shall now see some under short sail heard ship to the Eastward latter part at daylight heard ship to the N. W. and made sail at 9 P.M. saw sperm whales at 10 P.M. heard the bark at 11 P.M.