

Thomas R. and Board Bk Clara Bell

Wednesday Jan 2nd 1863

Commenced with Pleasant Trades Baited Bait
saw and landed for Blackfish got one but we
saw a large whale (hence) part the same
Vater part saw Blackfish going to the same
we have been employed in rigging and I should
of felt much better to of been to work on whale

Lat 41° 13' 00" Long 68° 12' 15" W

Thursday 3rd

Monday 7th

Plenty of ships and no whales so I have made up
my mind to steer off N. W. at 10 o'clock and get on
one of the fleet with good faith to take a whale

Tuesday 8th

Vater part saw two Bk. Mammals to the land
about 10 miles distant some light made sail
and landed the Boat but did not get near
enough to see the whales so returned without a whale

Lat 41° 11' 44" Long 68° 15' 15"

Wednesday 9th

had grant we may get a whale on the morning
saw a ship - Baited and a and I hope to see
a ship on the morning we put the mind of
a little good luck and see Bk of sperm oil
would be a great help to us

Lat 41° 12' 43" Long 68° 15' 11"

Thursday 10th

Stood off N. W. passed a Barque Bailing and hauled
we could do the same on the morning the same
and there is no more now long it is aging blue
had grant it may get back long for us are today in
want

Cruising for Whales

Monday February 3rd

6 1/2 PM we are starting with good South West wind
shall see some whales soon for all that we have seen
today is shape and Barks

Sunday 9th

Commenced with Pleasant Trades Baited Bait on the Eastern
Tide by up N. E. saw Blackfish at dark once and a whale
but the same and we are feeling the need of some whales so
much saw three Barks - Lat 41° 11' 16" Long 68° 15' 08" W

Monday 10th

Saw Pleasant but no whales and we are much impatient
I am now I should feel we should be for a little while
but it now being night we must wait for the morning
Monday 11th at 10 o'clock Baited Bait saw two Barks
and a ship Lat 41° 11' 38" Long 68° 14' 51" W

Tuesday 11th

Commenced with Pleasant Trades and I really saw
black fish and hope to see some whales on the morning
at sunset shortened sail and saw a ship N. W. the ship
saw part at daylight saw three Barks and a whale
along side saw some Finbacks

Lat 41° 11' 39" Long 68° 15' 25" W

Wednesday 12th

Commenced with Pleasant Trades Baited Bait on the Eastern
Tide by up N. E. at sunset hauled with Com. Mammals of Seal
Baited Bait and we have seen some whales but ever this season
of. I am now much we want a whale and I hope we
shall soon get a one so dear have little more it is to wish

Lat 41° 12' 16" Long 68° 15' 20" W

Thursday 13th

Saw Finbacks and how much we want
a few whales - there is no one known but the Mammals Baited
of all things the most likely and we are now
and getting nothing and I really feel Blue but I persevere
it is all for the Bait and ship and Barks