

1874 Remarks on board Bark

Wednesday Oct 3rd

Fine part fine weather and light breeze from the Westward. Bk under all sail working to the S. at dark took in light sails & fueled courses fore & mizzen.

At 6.30 A.M. raised White water and at 8 made them out to be 3. Whales lowered in chase but it being calm could not get on.

Thursday Oct 4th

Came in with fine weather but calm. Heard a breath of air. Boats off in chase of 3. Whales at dark came on board without success. Light breeze from the Westward. Bk steering different courses saw only 1 sail.

Friday Oct 5th

Came in with fine weather and fine breeze from the Northward. Bk by the wind on Starboard tack under all sail. At 2 P.M. raised 3. Whales off lee beam and going to leeward. At 2.30 lowered in chase. W.B. Capt. M. had the chance and was going up when a calf came up and saw the boat and started. The whales he got on again and Boatstewards darted but did not fasten on the whale. Doubled up and the iron went against the back. Blabery, Pettingued to the ship at sundown. Thoke Bk. Apprehensive. Long 4 1/2 months yet 5 or 6 lbs. Loggers part strong winds from S.E. Bk on opposite tacks & steering different courses. At Meridian Hoisted ship. Close reefed Fore & Main sail & fueled the Main sail.

1874 Clarice of Edgartown

Saturday Oct 6th

Fine part strong winds & puffed Bk on opposite tacks saw one Finback. Middle part Bk on Starboard tack under short sail. Latter part strong winds. Bk on Starboard tack under Double reefed Main & Fore sail. Close Reefed Fore & Foresail. Broke out water saw 2 sail.

Sunday Oct 7th

Came in with strong winds from S.E. at 0.30 P.M. wore ship and steered N.W. until 2.30 Brought the ship too the wind on Port tack at sundown more moderate. Fueled the Foresail saw Blackfish. Latter part very much the same Bk under all sail & steering different courses.

Monday Oct 8th

Fine part fine weather but cloudy light winds S. Westward with a heavy swell & Barometer low. Bk on Port tack by the wind under all sail. Saw 2 sail Whales. Middle very much the same Bk on Starboard tack at 6 A.M. began to rain & breeze on Close reefed the Main & Foresail.

Tuesday Oct 9th

Came in with a moderate gale from N.E. Bk on Port tack under Close reefed Foresails weather equally with light rain. At 4 P.M. saw 1 sail and at 5 another. Both Whales. At 4.30 wore ship and made all secure for a gale. At 9 P.M. Bawn after rising within better. Latter part strong winds Bk on Port tack.

Wednesday Oct 10th

Fine & Middle moderate gale from the N.E. and equally attended with rain. Latter part moderate breeze from S.E. with a heavy swell Bk under all sail. Saw 2 sail. Broke out Bawn.