

Cruising for Whales No London 1841

Monday Strong gales and squally weather late on
November 22 with whale boars did not get fast some of
the boats nearly full with water. come aboard
and close reef main tops and furl fore
sail. Midnite the same latter more moderate
set tops steering south saw some fin backs
Latitude 38°40' Long 63°50'

Tuesday Commencing this day with strong gales with a heavy
November 23 sea on towards sundown moderate sea 2 whales
whale boars struck one. He took him along side
let him lay too near to cut saw a merchant
ship steering East. Midnite strong gales from NW
and rising and thunder and lightning at day the
wind hauled west latter heavy gales the whale
sunk parted the fluke chain another whale gone
to deep some fishers fluke chain and all ends.
Latitude 38°41' Long 65°53'

Wednesday Heavy gales as usual. Midnite calm the wind
November 24 looking for some quarter to blow from at day
the pleasant made all sail latter severe gales
from W by South. Furl all sails but the mizen
to end the day with heavy gales and squally
weather as usual
Latitude 38°40'

Thursday Begins this day with severe gales from west
November 25 Middle and latter part the same set
tops close reef saw a ship to Leeward
we have her on the ground for three weeks
and hardly three days that we could leave
boat in the water a continual gale of wind
from most every point of the compass the
night with a heavy swell on the whole from
East the 26. Latitude 38°41' Long 66°00'

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Friday Commencing this day with hard gales from E by S and
November 26 still harder squally middle wind and weather
the same latter more moderate set double reef
tops once more saw nothing ends the day
Latitude 38°01' Longitude 67°19'

Saturday Commencing this day with more moderate weather
November 27 set one reef out of the tops set main top taken
sail at sundown saw whale boars saw more
more of them at dark saw 2 close to the
ship took in sail as usual. Midnite moderate
latter hard gales saw whale furl the foresails
ends the day
Latitude 38°53' Longitude

Sunday Begins and ends this twenty four hours
November 28 with hard gales
No observations

Monday Commencing this day with still harder gales
November 29 believe it is all ways like to continue so
middle rather more moderate ends
Latitude by observation 39°20'

Tuesday Commencing this day with just about a fair
November 30 gale of wind set the fore sail stowed up
by compass middle and latter weather as
usual ends
Latitude 39°01' Long 70°20'

Wednesday Commencing this day with fresh gales with
November 31 a heavy sea on sails whale boars struck
he took him along side wore ship and
cut his body to leeward and very glad to
saw that. Middle like breeze latter strong
gales from NW saw whale boars
did not get fast saw a ship Ph. P. Mearns
East ends the day in Balling No 42