

Ship's Journal of Misenden 1842

Saturday Commenced this day with fresh gales from the westward

Novem 19 Middle and latter the same Gump in billung

Latitude 41° 17' Long 77° 25'

Sunday Begins this day with strong winds with a heavy sea

Novem 20 on Middle and latter the same Gump in billung

Saw 2 whales

Latitude 41° 42' Long 77° 02'

Monday Commenced this day with fresh gales strong southerly at

Novem 21 Sunday took in all sail midnight wind and weather

the same latter saw number of whales Ends

got one

Latitude 42° Long 77° 30'

Tuesday Commenced this day with strong winds from the NW cut

Novem 22 the whale set 7 fips oil down the main back

Gump in lashing the water catches a mudhump

Started for home once more Middle and latter

strong gales from the Northward strong southerly

Latitude 44° 07' Long 77° 11'

Wednesday Begins this day with fresh gales from the North

Novem 23 spoke the Navy of Newport 1500 lbs saw the 7

ships Midnight wind hauled more to the west

Double reef tops latter squally

Latitude 46° 30' Long 78° 30'

Thursday Begins this day with strong gales and squally

Novem 24 hump west with a very heavy sea on midnight

calm latter fresh breeze from south and thick rainy

weather started the work to Ends

Latitude 48° 30' Long 78° 40'

Friday Commenced this day with strong gales from NW close

Novem 25 reef tops finished billung midnight wind hauled

to and squally latter the same Ends the day

Latitude 49° 25' Long 77° 50'

Saturday All this day strong winds from South and SE

Novem 26 on bent Main tops and bent another

Latitude 52° 19' Long 77° 15'

Towards Cape Horn 1842

Sunday Begins this day with the breeze from the NW took in the

Novem 27 waste Boat set fore top Studing sail midnight blow on

fresh latter wind increases took in fore top then set the

fore top Gallant sail down and repaired it - Ends

Latitude 51° 56' Long 78° 20'

Monday Commenced this day with fresh gales from NW strong

Novem 28 South Double reef tops - midnight and latter

the same Ends Latitude 53° 10'

Tuesday Strong gales from the NW and dark rainy weather

Novem 29 steering SE Latitude 54° 53' Long 76° 10'

Wednesday Commenced this day with the baffling winds with a thick

Novem 30 cloudy weather Middle and latter part wind

all around the compass Ends the day

Latitude 55° 40' Long 74° 40'

Thursday Begins this day with the baffling winds

Decem 1 saw School of sperm whales one on a snow

squall and lost sight of them Ends

Latitude 56° 00' Long 73° 12'

Friday Commenced this day with the breeze from SE ship

Decem 2 heading ESE on a calm Middle and latter

wind all around the compass

Latitude 56° 09' Long 71° 40'

Saturday Begins this day with fresh breeze from the SE

Decem 3 attended with snow Middle and latter winds

the and baffling Ends

Latitude 56° 50' Long 69° 37'

Sunday Commenced this day with fresh breeze from the SE passed

Decem 4 required Middle and latter fresh gales and

thick squalls ship steering SE by E

Latitude 57° 57' Long 65° 53'