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Thursday

1 commenced calm had some fog saw at present
mening Ducks and at first back saw at sail
to the eastward distant 4 miles
We do not know where we are at present but
think we are near the head of American bay
saw large quantities of whale feed
Middle part calm till 8 past 10 had a light
breeze from N steering by the wind to the eastward
under all sail. Latter part had some more of
the devil's own luck at 8 o'clock P.M. saw
a polar whale lower the mast and quarters
boats in front of him the stubborn boat struck
the whale took the line and went to the windward
I steered the captain's boat so ends with fog
and rain with strong breeze from E of S
No observations

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Friday

2 commenced with strong breeze from E of S
beating to the windward is sick of our whale
at 1 o'clock spoke ship India of stretched
saw humpbacks but nothing of the whale
that took our line
The first officer Smith the chief mate
off duty at being his own request
at 4 o'clock doubled reefed the topsails
and hauled up the mainsail
Three times and worse luck we are looking for
at change and the quicker it comes the better
Middle part strong winds from E of S furled the
gills at 10 o'clock at 11th and set it at 12 saw
3 sails one boiling saw humpbacks and one
bow head to the windward broke out at each of
two lines and sailed at line for the stubborn boat
at 6 o'clock light wind made all sail had
thick hazy weather saw the land on the North
side of the bay of American
Latter part light winds and thick weather
steering by the wind on short tacks at
11 P.M. saw at whale lost sight of him in
the fog

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Saturday

No observation
3 commenced with light winds and dark weather
steering by the wind to the S of South saw one
sail to the S of suppose it to be the India
at 4 o'clock spoke out for fogs and fiddles
John Henigan one of the boat-towers off duty
and has been for the last week complaining of sickness

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at 8 o'clock found our selves in the sea
it being thick fog tacked to the S of
and ran out clear Middle part strong
breeze with fog and rain at 2 o'clock P.M.
doubled reefed the topsails saw the land
hearing from N of to E at 3 wore off
shore hauled gills and spanker
at 5 more moderate set gills and spanker
and furled the main sail
Latter part strong breeze with fog and
rain at 8 o'clock furled gills and spanker
saw 5 ships one at hauling
saw a few whales all going to the wind
ward
No observations

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Sunday

4th commenced with fine breeze and pleas-
ant weather set whole topsails and
curees steering by the wind to the
S of ran close in shore at 5 o'clock
tacked to the South saw the whales of
any kind saw 10 sails and one
whales curees Middle part light winds and
pleasant weather standing off and on the
sea saw one ship cutting
Latter part light winds and fine weather
at 10 o'clock saw at whale lower 3 boats
with out success saw 2 ships cutting
and 2 boiling

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Monday

5th commenced with fresh breeze from W
with thick fog laying by the wind wi-
th the land of fogs at back heading S
at 2 o'clock were ship to the N of
heard the report of a gun several times
one man off duty forward with a peling
on his fingers
Middle part light winds with squalls
of fog at 1 o'clock P.M. saw whales
going quick to the windward
saw that lower saw 14 ships 1 boiling
Latter part fine weather with fine
breeze from N steering by the wind
to the westward lowerd for whales
with success