

Tuesday July 1842 2nd

6 Commenced with light breeze from the westward, steering by the wind to the south. At 4 o'clock spoke a sperm ship. At 5 o'clock this season had 11 heard from the straddlers of Poughkeepsie with 9 whales. And back to heretofore with chattering. At 6 o'clock spoke Laberding boat at 8 distant 50 miles saw large members of humpback at 8 o'clock came up to the 50 tacked to the start. At 10 o'clock part strong breeze from the north steering by the wind to the north. At 5 o'clock Pills was on 5 miles of the land were about to the 8th. Latter part light breeze from N.W. steering by the wind off shore saw humpbacks and 4 seals. Lat 63° 54' North

7 Commenced with light wind from the westward, steering by the wind to the southward saw humpbacks at 7 o'clock spoke ship Almagra of Oyster town Captain Brownell went on board. And her mate came here she has 5 whales this season. Heard from the hibernian with one whale. Saw and heard from a large number of ships all doing well. At 6 o'clock set in thick fog had to fire the gun to keep run of one another. Middle part slight winds and thick fog at 10 o'clock Captain Brownell returned. At 11 o'clock he found something resembling on board the Almagra. Latter part fine breeze from S.W. with clear weather steering by the wind to the S.E. in company with the Almagra saw a fin whale. Lat 63° 59' North

8 Commenced with fair breeze from S.W. steering by the wind to the S.E. under all sail saw the Almagra to the seaward at 4 o'clock set in thick fog with strong breeze from S.W. and continued the same through the night. At 5 o'clock Pills tacked to the N.W. at 11 o'clock. Latter part nothing but squalls of fog saw nothing that looked like a whale. Most cautious still. Long 144° 46' West Lat 63° 41' North

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9 Commenced with strong breeze from S.W. steering by the wind from the N.W. at 1 o'clock tacked to the S.E. saw nothing. At 2 o'clock. We are almost discouraged we have done nothing but run over the ground since we have been up here. All the ships we have heard from are doing well. At 4 o'clock set in thick fog. And continued the remainder of the day. At 9 o'clock Pills tacked to the S.E. and at 8 o'clock to the N.W. at 11 o'clock. In ends in let it go there more days. A coming. Lat 64° 29' North Long 144° 10' West

10 Commenced with strong breeze from S.W. with squalls of fog steering at N.W. by 11 o'clock off sail saw killers and a cap case employed at breaking out for water at 6 o'clock set in thick fog. And continued the remainder of the day with strong breeze breeze at 11 o'clock by 11 o'clock under topsails.

11 Commenced with light winds from S.W. steering at N.W. by 11 o'clock under topsails and courses we have a very thick fog. At 3 o'clock saw several polar whales luffed by the wind to the west. The fog was so thick we could not lower for them. Middle part at 11 o'clock the fog cleared off saw the land bearing 8 o'clock distant from 30 to 40 miles. At 1 o'clock Pills saw a large body of polar whales. Lower the 24 masts and masts boat shortly after we lowered set in thick fog had to give up the chase. At 4 o'clock 3 came on board. At 9 o'clock the fog cleared off saw old whales saw 4 ships one cutting and boiling. Wind from the southward very light steering by the wind to the N.W. under all sail in ends all hands discouraged. Lat 64° 10' North Long 144° 00' West