

Wednesday August 11th 1859.

Commenced with light winds and thick foggy weather. I shied on sight boats. Saw no whales at 8 o'clock set in thick fog with light winds from south steering by the wind to the eastward. Middle and latter part strong breeze at 8 o'clock. I'll double reef the topsails. Last 8 hours weather clear and could see nothing of the whale kind. Saw several ships most of them boiling.

Log 68:30 at 11th
Long 142:10 West

Thursday 12th commenced with strong breeze from south steering by the wind to the eastward under double reefed topsails fore sail and gills at 5 o'clock moderate at 6 made full sail wore to the weather heading S.W. by W at 4 wind hauled to the westward very light with fog and rain saw one ship steering southwards. Middle part the same latter part strong breeze from W of W steering by the wind to the S.W. under all sail employed at breaking out for molasses.

No ends
Log 143:40 W
Lat 68:30 at

Friday 13th commenced with strong breeze from S.W. steering by the wind to the S.W. under all sail. Fine flies with the rapidity of lightning it seems but yesterday that we left the Islands to come about. And yet it is about 5 months.

Henry saw a few devilfish at 7 o'clock. A.M. saw 8 minke whales. lowered all of the boats without success at 9 came on board saw 4 ships 2 boiling at 11 dead calm with heavy bank of fog all day and night.

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from 12 o'clock A.M. to 2 P.M. Thick fog at 5 saw a whale lowered the 3 labboard boats without success. A 4 came on board had a strong breeze from S.W. steering by the wind to the S.W. under all sail saw 12 ships 10 boiling and 2 cutting saw one ship take a whale at 10 saw a whale to the windward at 11 put 11 tacked for him at 11 lowered all of the boats without success. No ends with the boats in pursuit of whales.

Log 68 at 11th
Long 145:20 W

Saturday 14th commenced with strong breeze from S.W. all of the boats in pursuit of whales at 1 put 1 at 11 came on board with out success. very strong breeze hauled topsails and reefed mizen topsail steering by the wind to the S.W. at 4 o'clock set in thick fog at 3 doubled reefed fore and main topsail and hauled up the fore sail wind hauled to S.W. wore ship to the S.W. with the main yard at back at 9 fog cleared off some of the boats forward saw 16 ships all mysterious at 10. But the old Columbus stood when she will rise at some time one can tell me, try at night and day for a whale but to no purpose.

Latter part moderate breeze at 6 o'clock. I'll. (saw whales) lowered all 4 boats with out success saw 40 ships.

No ends