

Ship Com. Morris of New Bedford

Thursday Oct 20th

Comes in with strong gales from the N. and N.W. and cloudy weather and a very heavy swell on. Ship by the wind to the W. with all prudent sail out and Bk W. & H. in sight about 10 miles off on the lee bow. - at 10 a.m. saw her signaling us that whales was in sight kept off toward her saw her boats down and saw them strike - sent our boats down also and took two small ones 10 & 20 Bbls. One to Leach, 20 Bbls and 10 to Bow boat. Whales started quick to windward could not get up with them with the other boats. Took the whales to ship and cut them in by 7 - W. & H. Got two 60 Bbls and 10 Bbls. Lat at merid 39.45
 Temp. of W. 72 Long by Chron. 48.26

Friday Oct. 21st

Comes in with light baffling airs from the S. W. and fine pleasant weather - Ship by the wind to the E. with all prudent sail out. - at 6 a.m. saw a school of sperm whales going slow to the N.W. - lowered and chased with all four boats until 3 P.M. without success - boats not being able to get near the whales. Whales going quick to windward - at 3 1/2 lowered all four boats for the same whales again Mr. Chase 2nd mate went on but owing to some misunderstanding the boat-tainer did not fasten - 2 sail and a school of black fish in sight, One whaler - we call the Osceola. Lat at merid 39.24
 Temp. of W. 70, 68, 68, Long by Chron. 47.50

Saw Sperm Whales

Cruising For Sperm Whales

Saturday Oct. 22nd

Comes in with moderate breezes from the S. W. and cloudy weather - Ship by the wind to the S.E. with all prudent sail out - at 10 a.m. saw a vessel to windward we call a whaler - tacked ship to the N.W. vessel to windward running off to the N. - at 1 P.M. saw a school of sperm whales going to the leeward about N. quite quick - lowered all four boats and took four whales to the ship, one to Leach, 2 to the W. Boat and one to the Bow Boat. Osceola's Boat down chasing the same whales but got none. - Got all the whales to the ship by 7 - and at 8 hooked on and commenced cutting and finished by 4 P.M. - judge the 4 whales will make 60 Bbls. Lat at merid 39.31
 Temp. of W. 68 Long by Chron. 48.24

Saw Sperm Whales

Sunday Oct. 23rd

Comes in with fine breezes from the S. W. and fair weather - Ship under easy sail heading to the S. and E. under easy sail with fore yard aback - Osceola in sight standing to the N.W. with all sail out all hand all day employed in boiling and clearing away heads. Lat at merid 39.20
 Temp. of W. 70 Long by Chron. 47.10