

Monday Decem 9th Fresh breeze from E & E and

fine weather the first part of the day, Steering S & the latter part Steered S by W, Saw 2 Whales, Steering to the N by the Wind, We came up with a Sack off brig, the brig steering S by W, Employed on the rigging, Making Spungarn, Cooper Making lanterns, Hays & Sawed a barrel in two and made 2 wash tubs & fixed a Trip barrel, Carpenter made Whelps for the Starboard Side the Windlass, Boiling out our black fish blubber, Will make about 10 gallons of oil, Mr Potter making fairleads, At 8 P.M. wind died away & the wind came out from S by W with a thick rain squall, Took in the Studding Sails, Hoys & hauled up the Courses, We knocked us off to West, with plenty of rain.

Constance
Lat by obs 8, 30 Long by Ch 16, 14

Tuesday Decem 10th

Last night wind came out strong from South with plenty of rain & some lightning, Reefed the topsails & then died away calm and remained so through the night, Set our lights, Through the day light breeze from N to NE and good weather, Steering S by W all sail set, In the morning there was a Sack off brig close by, I went on board of her, I was an English vessel 16 days from England & bound to Rio de Janeiro, I gave the Captain some apples, Saw 2 other Whales, Steering S by W, Saw Prampoides, Employed on the rigging, & Drawing yarns, Carpenter Whipping the End of the Windlass, Cooper helping him, These vessels have no Constance & true mast.

Lat by Dr 8, 30 Long about 16, 00

Wednesday Decem 11th

Light wind from SE and fine weather, Steering S by W, All sail set, Saw a breach, The English three masted brig in sight a storm along way off, Employed on the rigging, Halted down the fore & main top gallant rigging & lashed down the lead stops, Cooper & Carpenter Whipping the End of the Windlass, I fixed my little house & that Cooper put in there a wash tank.

Lat by obs 6, 30 Long by Ch 16, 00

Thursday Decem 12th

Light airs from SE and calm, Heading SW by S, All sail set, At Sunrise this morning there was a gam of small sperm whales around the ship, the Cooke harassed them over the stern, they saw the ship, lowered the boats & Mr Potter went onto a 20 lb whale & the Doubster Darter both drove against the whale & did not get fast, the whales went off to the N.W. chased them 3 hours, Wind to light for whaling, Mr Kern perched at another whale, At 10 boats came to ship, At 1 P.M. saw 2 or 3 big whales to the SW of us and going to the S.W. lowered and pulled for them, did not see the boat whales from the boat, boats came to the ship, also wind, Our old friend the brig came up with us, Carpenter making Whelps, Coiled one or two small lines in small tubs, Very warm weather.

Lat by obs 5, 30 Long about 16, 30

Friday Decem 13th

Light airs from SE and old swell from SE, Heading S by W all sail set, fine weather, Watched employed on the rigging, & making Spungarn and Spungarn, Carpenter the overboard Carpenter's awning, Cooper commenced on a wash tank for my little house, Tacking over chain to windward lifts & sail in sight, Steering to the South.

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