

Tuesday Jan 4th 1890

Light wind from N and fine weather
Carrying all sail, heading ENE, in the fore noon
saw the land along ways off to the NE of us, at
4 PM land plane in sight all along to the NE from
deck. Employed on the rigging, Cooper repairing old
shoos, Steered E by N, at 4 PM hauled up the Chances
and bent them and got the anchor off the bows,
steering for Balenas Bay

Lat by obs 26, 31 Long by Ch 113, 17

Wednesday Jan 5th

Light air from NW and fine weather
Steered E till 9 last night and then laid aback all
night till 6 in the morning, then steered off E by N
and set studding sails, land in sight all day, saw
ships on the water and gulls, we was not so far
along as I thought we was last night, the reef is
a long ways off NE of Balenas Bay, Watches employed on
the rigging, Cooper repairing Casks, Carpenter getting
the water boat with gun box & spade ready. Caught a
large Albacore with a jig from

Lat by obs 26, 31 Long by Ch 114, 22

Thursday January 6th

Light breeze last night and I steered
all night E by S, in the morning calm and calm
all fore noon, saw several Seal fish going South,
at 3 PM saw several humpbacks and Chased, wanting
a breeze to strike, Coiled two small tubs of line
to carry in each boat, we was about 12 miles off shore
and in Lat by obs 26, 31, Brakers in sight plain from
mast head, put out the cutting stager, saw lots
of small fish in the water, some gulls & hear few
and then a whale bird, at 3 PM Lat by obs 26, 17 Long by Ch 113, 11

Friday Jan 7th

Begins with a fresh breeze from ENE
and good weather, in the morning saw whales and
lowered the boats and Chased humpbacks, latter part
of the day wind from NW saw several gangs of Seal
fish and Chased all the afternoon, part of the
whales are going SE and part of them are showing
about Chas, started at one whale, saw 10 miles
off Brakers in sight Lat by obs 26, 02

Saturday Jan 8th

Last night wind from seaward, this
morning, took a fresh breeze from the land, saw
whales, scattering about & sent off the boats and
Chased, the boats went in shore & saw whales going
to the SE along shore & saw a small lagoon in shore,
Mr Whitney struck a whale and got him by the
lagoon, took the whale along side and cut him in
a big cask with iron barges, then took the wind
from NW, at 8 PM took a squall from SE and
lightning, reefed the topsails & furled the courses

Lat by obs 26, 15

Sunday Jan 9th

Light wind from ESE and squally,
Rain squalls & not much wind, set all sail in the
morning, at noon shortened sail, stood in shore in
the morning and sent in 2 boats in shore, as they
pulled along way along shore to look for a lagoon
but saw none, there is no lagoon where we thought
there was, two boats off shore a whaling, saw
very few whales & all going to the SE, I took
nowhere to the SE some, got ready to start the
boats & cut up the whale 6 miles off shore about 3d
at 5 boats came to the ship & wind hauled to NW