

2 May 1808 Sat 16. This day begins with the wind from the East ship under storm sails by the wind on the port tack. See 10th steamer the watch engaged at ship duty latter part the weather thickening up looks like a change of weather so ends the day
Lat 38.42 No day

Sunday 17 This day begins with with moderate winds from the South South west at 100 mads all the light sails latter part wind very light Lat 37.40 No day

Mon 18 This day begins with very light winds from the Westward also a very bad head sea running the watch engaged rearing some new stanchions to the lower rigging forward also the Capt. busy fixing the cranes to the bow door so as to get them under the boat when she is on the upper fleet latter part wind about 20 mads breezing on Lat 38.14 N being 6.50 W

Tues 19. To day begins with fresh breeze from the North engage setting up the boats as they seem very slack ship steering E. S. East latter part wind freshen so furl the fore top galant sail
So ends this day Lat 38.29 S
No day



3 Brig L'Esperance bound towards Cape Verde Island Wed 20

This day begins with fine weather wind from the NE at 7.30 a.m. raised a large sperm whale 2 miles off the ship Port beam got the 2 two boats ready and lowered them down after a short while the 1st boat went on and struck the whale. soon turned him up and brought him to the ship began getting things ready for cutting. as search everything was done that even the pennants being hoisted at 4.30 PM hooked on to the whale and got the strap through the crutch of the jaw and put a little upon the eye the whale being so short handed could not tackle but one finger the one we have along side to make from 90 to 100 lbs. so ends the day
Lat 38.10 North Long 61.10 W

Thurs 21 This day began cutting the whale weather good at 10 mads got the whale body in board. left the head overboard just as we let the carcass go a drift we hauled up a small piece of Ambergris was about 1 lbs then lowered a boat and went to the carcass and looked all we could for more Ambergris but could not find any more so ends the day with good weather.

Friol 22 To day begins with fine weather by taking the head latter part got the case up and being so very short handed had to bail it over the side we have only 9 men men forward and they all work very well.
No observation so ends the day