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Monday 1st
This morn four hours good breeze from S.W. Employed in filling my whale & getting along side came Calona side at night. At 8 got supper & sat the watch. Middle part good breeze steered by the wind under all sail. At seven pulled the fore sail & commenced cutting. At nine A.M. finished cutting. At 10 A.M. had all sail on her & tacked heading W. to N.W. So ends.
Lat 41° 30' N Long 62° 20' E

Tuesday 2nd
This morn four hours the first part good breeze from S.W. Steering by the wind under all sail. Employed in cutting blubber. At 8 P.M. tacked ship heading S.E. At night good weather. At 10 P.M. commenced mending & clearing away the head. At 10 A.M. started the work. Day ends with weather the same.

Wednesday 3rd
The first part weather good. Employed in filling. Steering by the wind. At 6 P.M. tacked heading N.W. All through the night the same. At two o'clock down. Latter employed in clearing decks & breaking out. At daylight sent the fore sail. So ends.
Lat 41° 30' N Long 62° 20' E

Thursday 4th
This day weather good. Employed breaking out meat & flour. At 8 P.M. tacked heading to the S.E. East. Middle part strong & down the same quarter. Latter part employed in stowing down the oil. Steering the same.

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Friday 5th
This day weather good with strong breeze from S.W. all the first part. Employed in stowing down 12 casks of spermaceti by the wind on the Southern tack. Middle part good breeze. Latter part rainy. Employed in mashing ship. At seven A.M. tacked heading N.W. So surprises. So ends.
Lat 41° 52' N Long 62° 30' E

Saturday 6th
Weather fine all the fore part. This day excepting passing clouds. Employed in ship duty. Middle the same. Steering by the wind. Latter fine. Steering by the wind heading N.W. So ends.

Sunday 7th
This day weather fine. Steering by the wind heading N.W. At half past three I noticed some small whale & on our weather bow two points distant three miles. Sounded the two quarters boats & gave chase. At about five minutes after sundown I got up with them & went on & struck a small whale. The school came around & the Capt. went on & struck killed my whale. I stayed for the ship. Raised her at about seven P.M. Just before I got to the ship. The Capt. came along having cut from this whale got on board at 8 P.M. At daylight hauled on & commenced to cut. At mid had finished cutting & washed off & tacked ship. Employed in cutting blubber. So ends.
Lat 41° 03' N Long 62° 20' E