

Journal of a Whaling Voyage on board

Tuesday May 23rd 1876

All these 24 hours moderate breezes with passing clouds. Exchanged Long with a barge differed 3 miles at 7.45 P.M. made Cape Antenne light bearing S by E dist about 24 miles so ends this day

Wednesday May 24th 1876

All these 24 hours fresh breezes from E.S.E. men employed in the ships duties so ends this day Lat 24.59 Long 88.38

Thursday May 25th 1876

All these 24 hours fresh breezes from East at sundown took sail at daylight made sail to cruise so ends this day Lat 25.06 Long 86.30

Friday May 26th 1876

All these 24 hours fresh breezes and hazy weather at 7.30 A.M. saw whale lored and got three took them along side at noon so ends this day Lat 24.45 Long 86.35

Saturday May 27th 1876

All these 24 hours fresh breezes from E.N.E. with rain squalls at day noon began to clear at sundown got through at 7 P.M. started the works so ends this day Lat 25.17 Long 86.33

Sunday May 28th 1876

All these 24 hours fresh breezes with squalls men employed trying out so ends this day Lat 25.18 Long 86.15 west

Monday May 29th 1876

All these 24 hours squally weather at 9 P.M. got through trying out men employed clearing ship so ends this day Lat 24.42 Long 86.10 w

Tuesday May 30th 1876

All these 24 hours gentle breezes from the N.E. at 5 P.M. spoke Sch'n R.W. Stanham Long the same so ends this day Lat 25.11 Long 86.30 w

Sch'n E.H. Hatfield Kirkcounell Master

Wednesday

Thursday May 31st 1876

First part of these 24 hours Calm latter part gentle breezes from the E.S.E. men employed in the ships duties so ends this day Lat 24.58 Long 87.20

Friday June 1st 1876

All these 24 hours gentle breezes from E.S.E. to E.N.E. first of these 24 hours found the tide current to run to the west South west about 2 knots tacked and stood to the N.W.B. and found about 2 knots running to the E.N.E. so ends the day Lat 25.53 Long 85.05 w

Saturday June 2nd 1876

All these 24 hours gentle breezes from S.E. men employed in the ships duties current running to the west so ends this day Lat 25.34 Long 86.25 west

Sunday June 3rd 1876

All these 24 hours moderate and calm current running to the E.N.E. 2 1/2 knots spoke the Sch'n Quickstep so ends this day Lat 25.18 Long 86.27

Monday June 4th 1876

All these 24 hours C.E. L.M. gale and Sch'n Quickstep so ends the day Lat 25.40 Long 85.53 w

Tuesday June 5th 1876

All these 24 hours Calm men employed in the ships duties so ends this day Lat 25.20 Long 85.34

Wednesday June 6th 1876

All these 24 hours moderate and calm with squalls so ends this day Lat 25.25.00 Long 85.54 w

Thursday June 7th 1876

All these 24 hours fresh breezes with squalls blowed away the jib unbuttoned it and bent the new jib men employed in the ship duties so ends this day Lat 24.58 N Long 86.35 w