

Journal of a Whaling Voyage in the *Brigg* *Stapleton*

Sunday June 15th Lat 28° 58' N Long 54° 22' W
This day, very light air from the Westward
headdling to the Eastward. Saw Grampasses and
one Dolphin. The water looking very good.

Monday June 16th Lat 28° 58' N Long 54° 22' W
This day, very light air from the Westward
headdling to the Eastward. Saw Grampasses and
one Dolphin. The water looking very good.

Tuesday June 17th Lat 28° 52' N Long 52° 04' W
This day, fresh breeze and equally wind off
all round the compass, at 6 P.M. shortened
sail. Saw Grampasses and a Steamer steering
to the Northward and Eastward.

Wednesday June 18th Lat 28° 51' N Long 52° 18' W
This day, fresh breeze from the N.E. standing
on the wind tack and tack headdling E. & E.
and N. & W. Saw large quantities of Sperm.

Thursday June 19th Lat 29° 11' N Long 53° 19' W
This day, fine breeze and pleasant from
the E. & E. standing on the wind tack and
tack E. & E. and N. & W. Saw one sail steering
to the Northward and Westward.

Friday June 20th Lat 29° 00' N Long 53° 26' W
This day, fresh breeze from the E. & E.
headdling to the Northward and Westward
employed in. Shifts duty, nothing in sight.

Saturday June 21st Lat 29° 43' N Long 53° 14' W
This day, fine breeze and pleasant from
the Eastward. Standing on the wind tack and
tack trying to get to the Eastward of daylight
nothing in sight, so ends this day.

Benjamin B. Handy, Master June 1862.

Sunday June 22nd Lat 29° 01' N Long 52° 24' W
This day, fine breeze and very pleasant
from the E. & E. first part of the day headdling
to the Northward latter part headdling E. & E.
Saw Porpoise.

Monday June 23rd Lat 28° 33' N Long 52° 36' W
This day, fine breeze and pleasant from the
N.E. headdling to the Eastward. all sail set.

Tuesday June 24th Lat 28° 30' N Long 51° 32' W
This day, fine breeze from the N.E. standing
on the wind tack and tack E. & E. and
N. & W. nothing in sight.

Wednesday June 25th Lat 28° 40' N Long 51° 21' W
fine breeze and pleasant from the N.E.
first part headdling to the E. & E. at 6 tack
ship headdling to the Northward. Saw
two pieces of Squid and Flying Squid.

Thursday June 26th Lat 29° 10' N Long 51° 02' W
fine breeze and pleasant from the N.E.
first part steered S.W. at 12 P.M. were ship
headdling N. Saw Grampasses and
Flying Squid.

Friday June 27th Lat 30° 40' N Long 52° 05' W
fine breeze and pleasant from the Eastward
steering to the Northward until 7 P.M. tack
ship headdling to the E. & E. under short sail.

Saturday June 28th Lat 30° 55' N Long 52° 10' W
This day, very light breeze from the Eastward
standing on the wind headdling to the
Northward. Saw Porpoises, Albatross and Skippers
and Bilfish. The water looking very good.

Sunday June 29th Lat 31° 15' N Long 51° 57' W
first part of this day, calm at 10 P.M. the breeze
sprang up from the Westward, a fine breeze steering
E. & E. until 7 P.M. luff to the wind and Northward
sail headdling to the Southward, at 5 P.M.
lowered a Boat and picked up a bl. of Sperm
caught 7 Dolphins.

