

Journal of a Whaling Voyage in the Brigg Hepeton

Sunday Sept 27th Lat 28-34 N Long 52-42 W
first of these 24 hours calm at 3 P.M. took in the
Main-sail fith and Staysails clewed down the Top-sail.
the latter part calm

Monday Sept 28th Lat 29-40 N Long 52-42 W
first of these 24 hours calm at 5 P.M. Main-squally.
Wind baffling. at 6 put one reef in the Fore-top-sail
set the Top-sail. at 8 Wind hauled to the Northward
fresh breeze doubled reefed the Fore-top-sail steering W S W
at 11 Moderate Wind hauled to the Southward,
at 6 A.M. light breeze from S and S W made all sail
heading to the Westward

Tuesday Sept 29th Lat 29-36 N Long 52-57 W
first of these 24 hours Wind light and baffling
heading us of to N W at 2 P.M. took in the
Main-sail at 4 Squally with Rain baffling us
at 6 took in the Segalant-sail and Top-sail heading
to the N W at 12 wind hauled to S W fine breeze
at 6 A.M. set the Top-sail Main-sail and Top-sail
heading W S W by the Wind

Wednesday Sept 30th Lat 29-57 N Long 54-05 W
first of these 24 hours fresh breeze from S W Squally
at 3 P.M. took in the Top-sail, at 7 set the
Watch standing half Masted, at half a past 8
heavy Squally with Rain clewed down the Fore-top-sail
hauled down the fith and Main-squally Staysail.
took in the Main-sail, clear the hannel of the
Main-squally-sail, at 8 had them all set except the
Main-squally-sail, all the rest of the day Squally
from S W at 9 took in the Main-sail to repair
at 8 put one reef in the Fore-top-sail, at 9 set the
Main-sail and at 11 took it in.

Thursday Sept August 1st Lat 30-30 N Long 54-39 W
first of these 24 hours Squally blowing fresh with Rain
at 3 P.M. doubled reefed the Main-sail, wind baffling
from S W to E steering W and W S W at 6 took
in the Main-sail fith and hauled down
the Staysails. Wind E steering W S W
at 8 Wind S E steering W S W set the Fore-top-sail
at 12 set the Main-sail, Main-squally Staysail
at 2 put the boat haul orinble to the Top-sail
at 11 A.M. put two puties on the Main-sail.

Benjamin B. Handy Master

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Friday August 2nd Lat 30-07 N Long 55-40 W
these 24 hours commenced with fresh breeze from
N E steering W all sail set. blowing fresh all day
Squally some Rain, at 9 A.M. steered W by N

Saw 2 Merchant vessels steering to the S
Saturday August 3rd Lat 30-16 N Long 62-08 W
blowing fresh from the E N E steering W S W all
sail set Squally, latter part pleasant fresh breeze
at 9 A.M. got an Altitude, 31-00 N Long 64-32

Sunday August 4th Lat 31-16 N Long 65-25 W
blowing fresh from the E N E steering W S W
all sail set at 3 P.M. steered S W by W
latter part light breeze, at 7 A.M. wind hauled to
the N N E steering by the wind - N W by W
at 8 lowered the Boat and went on board of the
Bark Kesperil of Boston 47 days from Algoa Bay
Southern Coast of Africa. Bound to Boston, N Long 64-20

Monday August 5th Lat 32-15 N Long 67-57 W
these twenty-four hours light breeze from N E
heading N W by W by the Wind all sail set. pleasant
picked up an empty barrel, the Water looking thick.
at 6 A.M. light breeze from the Eastward, went
on board of the Brigg Edith Ann, from Barbados
bound to home, at 7 Squally with Rain blowing
fresh the rest of the day. at 11 wind hauled to N E
steering N W

Tuesday August 6th Lat 32-50 N Long 69-30 W
blowing fresh from the E N E all sail set
at 2 P.M. saw a vessel standing to the Southward
the latter part of the day light breeze at 9 A.M.
Wind hauled to the Northward heading us of to
W S W at 11 A.M. raised 2 Sperm Whales going
to the S W at 12 lowered the Boat went on
deck but did not get fast, got a board at 4
P.M.

Wednesday August 7th Lat 33-25 N Long 71-25 W
light breeze and pleasant. Wind N E hauled down
chasing Whales at 1 P.M. the Boat went on deck
but did not get fast. chased them but did not get
near enough to get fast the second time, got on board at
4 P.M. and kept the vessel S W by W sails in sight
Moderate the rest of the day
two 60 lb Whales