Cruising to the Eastward of Chath

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Tuesday April 12th/70

Commenced with beautiful weather from the
and smooth. at 6.30 Ath Mr Carrington raised
Sperm Whale. lower all four boats the Capt take
the starboard boat. B B struck. L B
one, whale sounds heavy. S B fing of the S B
bent on bar the iron drew and away
whale went to the windward. cont came
side about 9 Pth. at 8 saw another
one rising on the weather bow. & then is
park Soar & Song W

120 WEEKS from a Whal voyage I pay to all hey bor at the same time I long & regard a reputation had I not been long from home I should not think of going home yet I guess show to Capt Thomas and say now I have a bad opinion me believe I would don't see you to search for that sometimes I get I hope I not to do I feel so night when I feel to think of that man taking on poor it makes me mad and I can hardly help it, but I hope I shall be able to keep of with him if there is any law and justice I will. I do if I would not trust a Bedford Lawyer. I don't think

Wednesday April 13th/70

Commenced moderate from the E N E & cont
all day. Practice from swing. steering to the Ha
to the Ha & to the S & to saw nothing
to day. got new legs to the M T S. bunting

Thursday April 14th/70

Commenced fresh & from the N E & head
to the S & E. Middle and latter have been
N & W. This morning at 6.30 A M the
Capt told me to stand watch. Mr Carrington
all night in every place I office
gave me the watch on account of Mr Carrington
having the Asthma or Phthisic something of the
sort. at 6.30 Pth ~~the~~ single reefed Trail

Islands among a pling of whales

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Friday April 15th/70

Beautiful weather and pleasant weather wind from
the N E and smooth sea. At daylight Joseph
the Boatsteer raised sperm whale going quick
to windward at 7.20 Pth lower the three larboard
boats. Whale sailed around and headed to the
leward. and came together all going to the
leward. Mate bait went on a whale twice but did
not get fast. the first time the whale came him
after the whales started to the leward the Capt lowered
the Starboard boat in the space of a couple of hours to
strike or stave and the iron drawed. about five
minutes after the Bow Boat fastened whale
run quick. S B bent bent a hand. L B darted
twice, boatsteer eye to bar of. after being fast
about two hours whale coming & run in a gam
of wood whales. and bite the line. ~~boat came~~
S Boat came along side about 6.40 P M. the other
three boats about came along side at 8 P M.
middle & latter part wind very light. Whales
in a boundance most of them going about
W S & W. during the afternoon ~~I~~ I saw
a number going to the Eastward. I don't know what
other men think but as for me I do not believe but
what I should have done as well as the rest of them
I don't think the Capt has made much by taking
the boat from me. I pray to God that he may for
have to acknowledge to me that he has done wrong. if I was
a true Christian I should certainly say it was in judgment
but as I have sinned I think differently. He knows but when
that I might have struck as many as another boat and
established an undying reputation. Mr Carrington had not
struck a whale before this season and now he has struck fast and
had no success. I feel unequally as times when I come to
the point of it it is very pleasing to the feelings of a whaleman to have a full supply of sperm whales and the capacity of the ship. this being when you are not wanted or not is very
one of this ship. this being when you are not wanted or not is very
about all around. I cannot see as any of these man folks are any better
common folks.