

Journal of a voyage in the

Wednesday August 12th 1885

This day begins with a moderate E. S. E. wind, veering to E. N. E. in a squall and increasing to a strong breeze. Stowed the slight sail and reef the fore topsail. For the middle & taller parts moderate E. N. E. wind. Brig by the wind on both tacks.

Lat 31.14. N. Long 54.54. W.

Thursday August 13th 1885

This day begins with a moderate S. S. E. wind. By the wind on the starboard tack. At 2.45 P. M. sighted a school of sperm whales. Lowered at 4 P. M. and the starboard boat struck in a few minutes slightly stove in. The whale running very bad was not able to haul up to him, cut from the whale at about 8 P. M. and came on board. For the middle and taller part calm.

Lat 31.16 N. Long 54.48. W.

Friday August 14th 1885

This day begins with a calm. For the middle and taller part light S. E. wind. Brig by the wind on both tacks.

Lat 31.03 N. Long 54.38. W.

Saturday August 15th 1885

For the fore part of this 24 hours light S. E. wind veered by the wind on the starboard tack. For the middle part calm. Lat in part light S. E. wind. Lowered for Black Fish, milk and suet.

Lat 31.25 N. Long 53.38

Brig E. H. Adams of Edgartown.

Sunday August 16th 1885

For all these 24 hours light S. E. wind and calm. Brig by the wind on the starboard tack. One steamer in sight.

Lat 31.44. N. Long 53.27. W.

Monday August 17th 1885

This day begins with a flat calm. For the middle part calm. Lat in part light W. S. W. wind. Steering S. E. Brought out provisions. Sent down and out of the fore top gallant sail and stowed it.

Lat 31.40 N. Long 53.15. W.

Tuesday August 18th 1885

This day begins with a light W. S. W. wind. Steering S. S. E. For the middle and taller part moderate W. S. W. wind. Steering S. E. by S. Employed in repairing the Jib.

Lat 30.48 N. Long 51.38. W.

Wednesday August 19th 1885

This day begins with a fresh S. W. wind. Steering S. E. by E. Two sails in sight. For the middle and taller parts of this day moderate W. S. W. winds. Steering S. E. by E. Made all sail. Set up the fore top gallant rigging and Jib Stay.

Lat 30.00 N. Long 49.00. W.