

Barque Fortune of New Bedford Capt Hawthay

Remarks on Friday June 6th

First and middle part calm and pleasant weather at 5 P.M. in the Capt & three returned they did not reach the shore after they got back to ship they called the land 30 miles off at daylight it sprung up a breeze from N.W. we stood E.N.E. latter this same saw several fin backs and humpbacks 30 miles land in sight Lat. 60° 27' North Long by acct 172° 00' East

Remarks on Saturday June 7th

Very much moderate from N.W. same fine weather stood at 6 am sail in sight middle part strong breezes and foggy at 6 AM it cleared up saw some Polar Whales heard three boats for three low boat struck on by boat killed it saw three whales going to N.E. at 10 got the whale along side got ready for cutting 30 miles no obs.

Remarks on Sunday June 8th

First and middle part light breezes from Westward latter strong breezes from S.W. & foggy at 1 P.M. commenced cutting at midnight we finished and set the watch latter cleared away the head got ready for boiling we stood off East under short sails we spoke Charles Phelps of Stonington he had four whales 30 miles no obs.

Remarks on Monday June 9th

These 24 hours hard gales fresh brisk and thick rainy weather stood East under short sail at 2 AM home to with the tacks aboard with had sea on watch employed in boiling 30 miles no obs.

Remarks on Tuesday June 10th

First and middle part strong from South and thick rainy weather going with the tacks aboard under double reefed top sail & fore sail latter it moderated and continued to N.W. we stood North to work boiling 30 miles no obs.

Remarks on Wednesday June 11th

These 24 hours fresh breezes from South and thick weather stood various courses saw several fin backs and humpbacks watch employed in boiling Rowline below sick with lame back Lat. 60° 19' North

Remarks on Thursday June 12th

First and middle part light breezes from Southward and cloudy weather stood N.W. to work boiling at midnight cooled down caught a seal latter fresh breezes from East and hard at 6 AM saw some Polar Whales heard the boats for three whales going quick to windward & came aboard latter employed in starting oil into the tanks 30 miles Rowline on duty again Thimble off sick Lat. 61° 25'

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Remarks on Friday June 13th

These 24 hours strong gales from Eastward and foggy rainy weather heaving to Northward under moderate sail at 5 P.M. it cleared up some we saw two ships to windward at 2 AM all hands commenced breaking out and starting down oil at 7 AM wore ship to Eastward 30 miles Lat. 61° 59' North Long by acct 175° 40'

Remarks on Saturday June 14th

Throughout these 24 hours hard gales from East to N.E. and a bad sea on with thick weather lying on six hour tacks under short sail all hands employed in starting down oil at 10 P.M. finished 30 miles Lat. 61° 38'

Remarks on Sunday June 15th

Began with strong gales from N.E. and thick rainy weather at 5 P.M. two ships passed close by at 5 AM wind came to Eastward we lay on six hour tacks at 11 AM spoke the Montpelier of New Bedford Capt Fish 20 miles 30 miles Canon and the two Browns below sick

Remarks on Monday June 16th

First and middle part moderate breezes from E.S.E. and thick weather one ship in sight latter wind came to S.E. we stood off S.W. under double reef top sails cooper to work repairing old casks invalids no better

Remarks on Tuesday June 17th

First and middle part light winds from Eastward and thick foggy weather stood S.W. by W. under short sail watch employed in scraping down at 5 AM wind shifted round to Westward and cleared off the ship by the wind with the tacks aboard Brown and Canon on duty

30 miles Lat. 61° 15' Long by acct 177° 28' East

Remarks on Wednesday June 18th

All this day light breezes from west and clear weather stood by the wind with the tacks aboard saw a whale going quick to windward at 7 AM tacked ship to North Lat. 60° 55' Long by acct 175° 15'

Remarks on Thursday June 19th

These 24 hours light haphing winds from Westward stood by the wind working to Westward at 7 P.M. saw Polar Whale heard the boats and chased until ten o'clock gave them up came aboard at 8 AM raised another whale heard the boats gave chase at 6 came aboard saw the land bearing N.W. dist 40 miles we stood in for it saw ship cutting and another trying 30 miles a large shoal of Sellers in sight Lat. 61° 23' Long by acct 175° 45' East