

Monday) April 22nd 1833. Light winds and calm & pleasant weather. At sunrise saw the land to the Eastward. Saw two Sail to the S.E. At 8 A.M. the Boats were lowered & pulled off to the distance of 2 or 3 miles from the Ship to exercise the crews in pulling. Having been made Ship Keeper I do not go in the Boats. Scraped, planed and varnished the Mast on the Starboard side. Lat Obs 33° 04' S Long 72° 11' W

Tuesday) April 23rd First part light Southerly & Westerly winds and calm and pleasant weather. Latter part thick foggy weather. Two Sail in sight to the S.E. when it lights up. Lat Obs 33° 06' S Long 71° 28' W

Wednesday) April 24th Light breeze and thick foggy weather. At 5 P.M. saw a Ship bearing N.W. from us 5 miles distant standing off shore. Steered to the Eastward till 6 P.M. when hearing the Surf and Breakers on the shore tacked and stood off to the W.S.W. Saw several Finback & Humpback Whales. Lat Obs 33° 10' S Long 71° 20' W

Thursday) April 25th Light variable winds and calm. Saw several Finback Whales and shoals of Porpoises. A Sail in sight to the S.E. Lat Obs 32° 48' S Long 71° 10' W

Friday) April 26th First part light breeze from S.W. and pleasant weather. Latter part gentle gale from S.E. Lat Steering Sail. Lat Obs 30° 57' S Long 70° 38' W

Saturday) April 27th Moderate breeze and pleasant weather. At 4 P.M. took a Lunar observation and the Longitude deduced was 77° 11' W. At 6 P.M. spoke and boarded a Chilean Schooner from Copiapo for Valparaiso. Lat Obs 28° 36' S Long 77° 01' W

Sunday) April 28th Commenced light air of wind from the S.E. and Calms. At 3 P.M. had the news from the claim of "There she blows" and that they were Sperm Whales, being the first that has been seen on the voyage. There proved to be several scattering Whales, that is not in shoals but apart. The three Boats were immediately manned and

went off in pursuit, but did not succeed in taking any, although one of the Boats struck but did not fasten. The Whales come up generally to the top of the water every half hour or from twenty minutes to one hour to blow, and keep near the surface of the water about the same time. Their situation is made known by their sporting and when they are lost sight of by the Boats and are seen from the Mast Head of the Ship, signals are made to the Boats to let them know in what direction to look for them. In a Whaling language whoever sees the Whales first is said to have raised them, and these were raised by Mr. Lake the second officer. I shall put a Whales flukes or tail whenever we raise Whales and do not get them, and a Whump of a Whale when we take any, so as to refer to it at any time. As we are now what is called cruising for Whales I cannot place much dependence on Dead Reckoning as we cruise in every direction of the Compass.

Monday) April 29th Fine pleasant weather. Steered to the N.E. Topping, cutting, blocking and making necessary preparations for taking Whales. Lat Obs 28° 19' S Long 76° 40' W

Tuesday) April 30th Fine breeze and pleasant weather. At Sail by day and lying with the Main Top-sail aback at night. Lat Obs 24° 55' S Long 75° 15' W

Wednesday) May 1st Moderate S.E. trade winds & pleasant. Lat Obs 24° 15' S Long 74° 34' W

Thursday) May 2nd Gentle S.E. trades and fine weather. Steered N.E. 12 hours and lay to 12 hours. Bent the old courses & put the new ones in casks below. Lat Obs 23° 25' S Long 73° 28' W

Friday) May 3rd Moderate trade winds & pleasant weather. Bent old Top Gallant Sail & jib & put the new ones in casks below, caught 2 Albicor. Lat Obs 22° 39' S Long 72° 15' W