

Journal of A Whaling Voyage by Thomas O. Stapp

1840	Ship Grand Duke June	Wind	Time	Lat	Long
Thursd. 25	Made sail at daylight. Saw some ships hump and fin backs and a small fish. A strong breeze cloudy look in sail at Sun set.	SW	48.08	25.22	
Friday 26	At 1/4 past 6 Raised whale Lar and all four boats at 8 A.M. Landed boat. Much afternoon. Landed and saw seals here by W. Jackson. Got him alongside at 5 P.M. commenced cutting. Saw three whales in sight could not strike ships in sight - a light breeze.	SW	48.20	25.24	
Sat 27	Cut in yesterday's whale lost the head at noon Landed Bow and Waist boat for whale. Saw boat. Struck afternoon. The whale struck the boat with his flukes killed one man. Landed by the bow. We never saw him again. W. Jackson killed the whale got him alongside. At 9 P.M. flesh chain started called all hands. Landed a boat bow in now. Saw hauled him alongside foggy & light breeze. Flood boats crew.	SW	48.50	25.22	
Sun 28	Cut in yesterday's whale a light breeze. Flood boats crew hump and fin backs in sight.	SW	48.45	25.14	
Mon 29	Started the try works at 5 A.M. a light breeze.	W. P. W.	48.50	25.24	
Tuesd. 30	A strong breeze began trying whale. At a thick fog saw a ship in sight.				



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1840	Ship Grand Duke July	Wind	Time	Lat	Long
Wed 1	A strong breeze foggy. Saw some ships in sight. Strong breeze. Cold down at midnight.				North Atlantic
Thurs 2	A light breeze. Saw hump and fin backs & sail in sight. Flood boats crew took in sail at Sun down.		48.20	26.22	
Frid 3	Threw the remainder of our oil. A light breeze very foggy took in sail. Flood boats crew.	W. W.	48.25		
Sat 4	At 10 A.M. Raised whales. Landed boat. Much whale but the line off. Struck a second time and drew. Chased 4 hours without success. Three boats down. Landed and drew. A very strong breeze foggy took in sail.	W. W.	48.35	26.23	
Sun 5	A strong breeze a sail in sight. Cold & thick fog took in sail.		48.40	26.12	
Mon 6	A strong breeze. Black fish in sight. Heavy cold two ships in sight. Took in sail.		49.36	26.27	
Tues 7	A light breeze put new boat on the board. Landed & sail in sight. A strong breeze took in sail.		50.20	26.30	
Wed 8	Party eaten. Toward a black line boat. Struck dead whale. Saw a second time drew after killing him a third time saw him. Landed boat got two boats out on and picked up our fish. Saw all four on deck. Saw some fish in sea.		50.19	26.20	

