

Journal of a Whaling Voyage, by Wm. O. Keuff

Ship: Grand Turk, September 1st, 1840, Lat. Long. 33° 32' N. 121° 53' W.

Sat 12 Light breeze, a sail in sight, 5 m. 7.30 11.30
Saw a spout on the wind
Starboard tack, aboard

North Atlantic

Sun 13 Light breeze, cloudy, and warm 4 m. 7.15 10.38
On the wind Starboard tack, aboard
two ships in sight, and a fin back

Mon 14 Light breeze, cloudy, Sun 6.14 11.46
a spout flying fish
black fish
Spoke, Parker, Marcella
of New Bedford 4 2
months out 230 bbl.
Spum oil out home
from Noyah 220 bbl. No whales in
sight nor likelihood of them
we are now 3 months out and have
got 3000 of black fish oil and I am
really sick in mind to get home
but I must wait till the patience
until the time comes. Hope we
shall see whales tomorrow

Marcella New Bedford

Tues 15 Strong breeze, cloudy, warm 5.15 5.15
Starboard tack, aboard
To day a man was flogged for
a dozen lashes for striking one of
the boat, steers best night he
was drunk being aboard of Mar-
cella. Went aboard of Marcella
to day seen a sun fish and a
fin back

Wed 16 Strong breeze, the Marcella 5.13 14.41
in sight, clouds, and warm

Thurs 17 Light breeze, cloudy, and 4.26 13.27
warm, stronger now long
then South west wind, 4 m.
to blow here we have had them
now for a week steady under a
burning sun right ahead and
no likelihood of them shifting
the heart is no whale in sight
Marcella in sight

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Frid 18 Strong breeze, very cloudy 4 m. 3.32 12.15
Starboard tack, aboard, seen
in sight. The Marcella in
sight

Sat 19 Strong breeze, cloudy, warm 3.00 11.49
at 9 to the 10 whales in sight

Sun 20 No ship, at 2. 6 M. Star 2.27 11.18
board tack, aboard, seen two fin
backs, and two sails

Mon 21 Starboard ship, at 9 to the 10 1.52 11.00
sail in sight. Spoke
one of white, 10 m.
bound to Rio Janeiro
to day, from
Gunn's Head
her longitude



English Bay

Tues 22 Strong breeze, the brig in sight 5.00 12.11
at 10 m. for black fish, three
boats could not strike, well thank
God the wind has hauled a little
at last, after two weeks, it is
time we would get a fair wind

Scott

Wed 23 Strong breeze, the brig in sight 5.00 13.38
to day we were light under the
sun it was not so warm as I
have seen it along in this
latitude during the season to
the day being cloudy. Good by
North Latitudes. Hope before
long to be there once more with
the ship and I am sure
there to have them
we have not seen the South
Star for the last week
and it will be long ere we
shall see it. We can see one
of the Magellan clouds
crossed the Equinoctial line, at
9 past 9 to the 10