

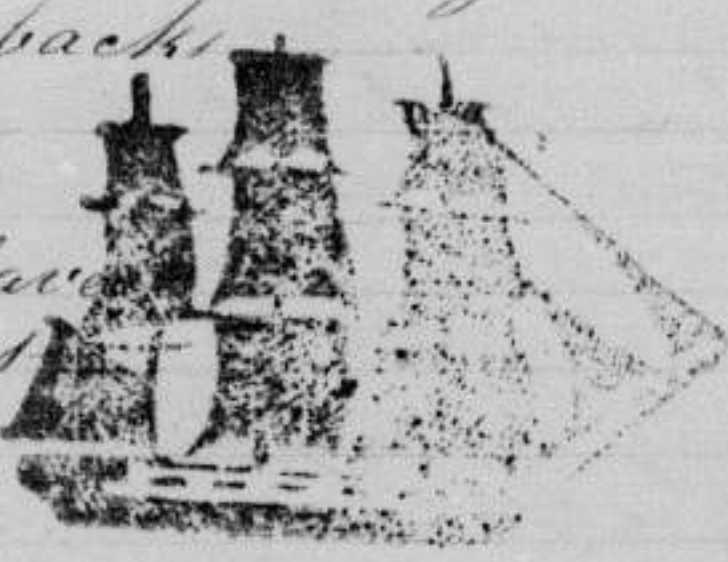
Journal of a Whaling Voyage by Thos. O. Puffer

1840 Ship Grand Turk November Wind course Lat. Long. South West

Sat 1 Calm pleasant and warm to about many porpoise and whale birds also a large shark, P. M. a very light breeze

Sun 2 A light breeze then a great many hump backs and porpoise

Off Cape of Good Hope three months out no bbls of sperm oil



India of West Indies

Tues 3 A very light breeze no whales to be seen sent shudding sail booms aloft set shudding sail

Wed 4 At 2 past 6 P. M. Taked a sperm whale lowered all gear boats, bar boat

12 bbls 1966
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ward star
ward boat P. M. P. M.
Laid gear and bore boat killed by Mr. Jackson. Took him along side at 11 P. M. Cut in the body. It is just four months since we struck a whale but we have got a good one a light breeze

Thurs 5 Cut in the head of our whale the carc made us 16 bbls at 2 P. M. kept on our course

Frid 6 A light breeze trying out but not

up the head of the whale is 45 bbls hump and few backs in sight this is fine work when we have got enough of it to do. Perhaps I shall get another fellow tomorrow

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Sat 7 A very light breeze trying out at 9 P. M. raised whale club South Atlantic
New boat 12 bbls
afterwards Lar
board boat
killed by Mr. Dexter took him along side. Starboard boat struck after and waist boat either cut the line or passed

Sun 8 A light breeze warm cut in the body of our whale finished trying out our last. He turned up 140 bbls. That was a noble fellow. I could get a chance to strike a dog like him. I would then be ready to go home. I expect shall have more of them by and by

Mon 9 A light breeze. Flood boat crew 18 last night cut in the head of our whale bailed out of the case and bunched of the neck 24 bbls showed some oil

Tues 10 Trying out showed some oil raised whale Lar board boat 12 bbls and drew to strong breeze this last whale head made us 60 bbls it is a monstrous head

Wed 11 A strong breeze rugged trying out at sundown commenced raining cooled down the work showed some oil

Thurs 12 A strong breeze finished trying out at 4 P. M. showed 16

Frid 13 A very strong breeze rugged showed the remainder of our oil. Our two whales made us 234 bbls 174 bbls took in sail at noon down