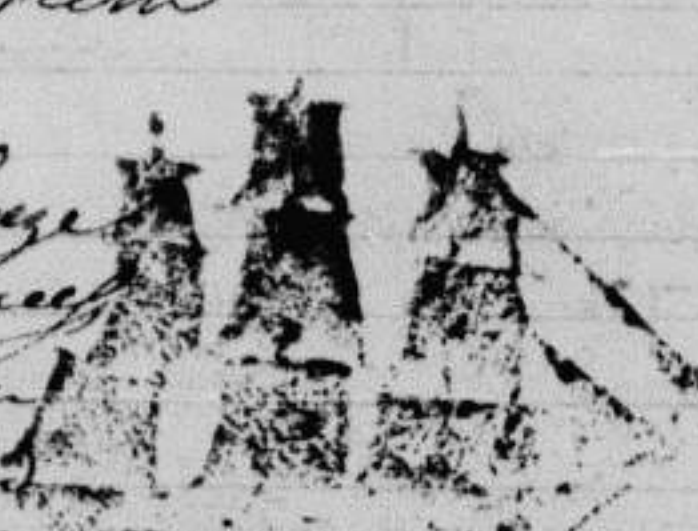


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1841	Ship Grand Turk February	Wind	Course	Lat	Long
				South	West
Wed 17	6. Stormy, much clouds, heavy rain in the morning. Watch 10. A moderate N. wind in night. No any kind of fish on the wind. South Atlantic. Landed 24 lbs aboard.	Sw 2	29.18	30.2	
Thurs 18	6. Strong breeze on the wind to 2.0. Landed 24 lbs. No whales, nor any kind of fish in sight. Well if we expect to see them we cannot get them here. Periods and the fish would try the patience of an angel.	Sw 2	29.35	29.55	
Frid 19	6. Light breeze, warm. No fish in sight. No usual looking sharp but no whales to be seen.	Sw 2	30.30	26.55	
Sat 20	6. Light breeze, some flying fish. Hunting ship and seeing her sides.	Sw 2	30.23	24.4	
Sun 21	6. Light breeze, very warm. Caught some dolphins, they kept round the ship all day. No whales to be seen. No any other kind of large fish.	Sw 2	30.5	23.46	
Mon 22	6. Calm, very cloudy and warm. Seen some dolphins. Threw one and lost him. Hunting ship lowered the boat to ship's side.	Sw 2	30.5	23.2	
Tues 23	6. Calm, excessive warm. 6. P.M. in sight also. Some flying fish and ship jacks but no whales. No sign of them.	Sw 2	30.0	23	
Wed 24	6. Very light breeze. Spotted ship. Breeze 6. Charlotte of London 22.00 on the water. Caught a dolphin. Very warm.	Sw 2	29.53	22.50	



Passing Charlotte of London

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				South	West
Thurs 25	6. Low. Light breeze, very warm. Sent a topsail. Schooner standing to the northward. No whales in sight. Saw some flying fish. South Atlantic.	Sw 2	29.30	21.55	
Frid 26	6. Very light breeze. Light chop. No fish in sight. Call it a calm. Very warm. Saw some dolphins. Caught one. Saw a great many flying fish. But no whales. The air was really tired of light breeze and no sign of any other. Showers of rain. No whales. No better luck, by and by.	Sw 2	29.32	21.30	
Sat 27	6. Pleasant breeze. Saw two big fish and some dolphins. Very warm. No day we were in the hole for to take water in. It being it was the warmest work that I have been at for some time but we were glad to have something to employ ourselves at.	Sw 2	29.30	20.15	
Sun 28	6. Pleasant breeze. Saw some flying fish and porpoise but nothing that looked like whales. 6. Ends February and we have not got one drop of oil this month. Not earned one cent this while. Not do. What are we to do for money when we get home? How are we going to live and support those we have left behind? The Almighty God, who has hitherto saved us from the dangers of the ocean and has given us what oil we have got, will not show gratitude to us, unless we put our whole trust in him and be well satisfied. Ma. Cheer up. The mates we will get. Make a good voyage. There is more fish in the sea and the Almighty will let us have our share of them.	Sw 2	26.42	18.41	