

Journal of a Whaling Voyage by Thomas Chaffin

1841 Ship Grand Turk March 10 Latitude 32° 10' Lat Long South West

Wed 17. A fine strong breeze to day an other vessel came to anchor along side of us. She proved to be a barkentine, a small sailer. By the by, in the shape of a whale. One watch after on a party got some small potatoes by at 4. The aft hands ahead got under weigh with a fine pleasant breeze.

Thurs 18. A pleasant breeze a sail in sight. A barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second. A barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second. A barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second.

Frid 19. A pleasant breeze a great deal of flying first in sight. Also a barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second. A barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second.

Sat 20. A pleasant breeze two sail in sight. Standing as far as a barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second. A barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second.

Sun 21. A fine breeze cloudy. Seen a great quantity of flying first and ship jacks caught with the netting. Rather no whale in sight. wish we could get some more oil for our stow a considerable time without getting any whale. and per chance to get none in the face of the weather however I trust we shall have better luck by and by. As far as we have got it starts (mud) some distance by and by.

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Mon 22. A light breeze with rain squalls. Seen a great many flying first ship jacks and also a South Atlantic. Also a dolphin could not get at 5. A barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second. A barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second.

Tues 23. A light breeze cloudy with rain. Seen a great many flying first ship jacks and also a South Atlantic. Also a dolphin could not get at 5. A barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second. A barkentine 700 1500 also flying first a well first and a second.