

December 1863

Wednesday 10th

This day begins with light breezes saw a wreck the hull of a vessel about 15 or 20 tons about 8 o'clock a m spoke ship captain Norton of New Bedford 17 months out 800 lbs whale 300 lbs sperm bound to the coast of Patagonia

Lat 34° 02' S

Long 48° 28' W

This day begins with strong breezes cruising under foreails and courses about 8 o'clock I m raised a school of  sperm whales lowered all 3 boats the  starboard boat struck and the rest went to windward quick chased them as long as could keep run of them and came on board, took the whale along side about 12 o'clock his body and jaw stowed down 43 lbs

Lat 30° 14' S
Long 47° 18' W

Friday 26th

This day commences with light breezes riding E by N about 6 o'clock p m raised a large sperm whale lowered the 2 larboard boats chased him until dark and came on board unsuccessful.

Lat 29° 40'
Long 47° 00'



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Tuesday 6th

This day commences with strong breezes from the N East about 10 o'clock P m spoke bark Pacific Horse of New Bedford 2 months out 800 lbs sperm saw a school of whales yesterday struck 3 whales and saved one 10 lbs whale lost this third made by getting caught in foul line, was hauled overboard and damaged.

Lat 25° 32' South
Long 37° 25' West

Sunday 11th

This day begins with light gales from the N E about 4 o'clock P m spoke sch John Benson of farhaven 18 months out with 140 lbs sperm

Lat 24° 26' South

Long 35° 54' West

Wednesday 14

Spoke bark willis briggs of mattapoint weeks out clear

Thursday 15th

Cruising off Cape Trio

About 6 o'clock I m raised sperm whales lowered all 3 boats chased them until about 10 o'clock when the starboard boat struck and succeeded in killing, and took him along side about 12 o'clock. He stowed down 17 lbs

Monday 19th

About 9 o'clock I m raised a spout off the weather beam supposed it to be sperm whales saw them 2 risings when they went out of sight to windward at sunset saw a bark to leeward boiling

Lat 25° 20' South
Long 35° 35' West



Lat 25° 37' S
Long 35° 53' W