

Journal of a whaling voyage
Friday March 31st

this day was pleasant
weather steering east
by the wind the mate
Mr. Johnson in dinner
on the vessel

lat 08° 39' S lon 04° 27' E

Saturday April 1st

this day good
breeze from South
steering east by south

lat 7° 44' S lon 6° 03' E

Sunday April 2nd

this day was
moderate weather steering
east south east by the
wind see a fine back

lat 7° 32' S lon 7° 57' E

Monday April 3rd

this day was good
weather steering south
east by the wind

lat 7° 40' S lon 8° 59' E

Tuesday April 4th

this day good weather
see fine backs at
sunset took in sail
lay by the wind on
starboard tack

lat 8° 07' S lon 10° 48' E

Capt Groo master

Wednesday April 5th

this day moderate
weather spoke
schr agate of Provincetown
at sunset shortened sail
the day closed with
cloudy weather so ended

Thursday April 6th

this day was
moderate weather and
squally so ended sch in sight

Friday April 7th Sperm Whales

at five P M see
sperm whales at 5.30
lowland barbed and waist
boat and give chase but
might come on before
could reach the whales whale
was going to windward and
was raised to leeward the
agate in sight the day
was squally so ended

Saturday April 8th Sperm Whales

the schr agate see sperm
whales early in the morning
and lowland his boat we
lower and chased the agate
struck before we got up
we chased a large whale
and the Starboard boat went
on the whale turned the
boat over and went off
we chased him after
but did not succeed in
getting shot we came aboard
give up the chase