

Sperm. Whal.

Thursday April 25: 1861

Came with a light breeze from N.E. the ship under all sail steering N.W. by W. employed making gaskets for the masts for fore and aft also doing some small jobs a blacksmithing for the cannon. Towards evening we had a heavy swell from N. N.W. & later part wind and with the same employed in ship duty for kind. I. M. saw a small something that looked like a sperm whale by the light took in the stunsails and Royals stood along a short distance and hauled aboard a boat let her lay along side did not see it again. Hauled up the Boat Engine forward the main yard heading N.E. so ends this twenty four hours.

Latitude. 2:50. N
Longitude by Chronometer 27:21. W

Friday April 26 1861

Came with a light breeze from N.E. the ship under top and sail steering N.W. by W. in pursuit of the whale a half past two P.M. gave them up. Ran off N.W. set all sail again employed in various jobs about ship and sail in light. Put a large Bounce Middle part which to some the better squally. Latter part began with a squall of wind and rain from N.E. to N. took in the light sails the ship steering N.W. by W. employed in ship duty so ends this twenty four hours.

Latitude. 3:55. N
Longitude by Chronometer 28:15. W

Saturday April 27: 1861

Came with a light air & squalls of rain from N.E. to N. the ship steering N.W. by W. Most of the time under for and main reef of employed in sundry jobs about the ship. Middle part a light air from different points in the compass with squalls of rain. Latter part at eight P.M. had a squall from N.E. & clear for the remainder part set fore topmast stunsail employed in sundry jobs one sail in sight cutward bound the ship with steering N.W. by W. so ends this twenty four hours.

Latitude. 4:19. N
Longitude by Chronometer 29:24. W

Sunday April 28: 1861

Came with a fresh breeze from N.E. the ship steering N.W. by W. under all sail except Main & topmast stunsail and lower stunsail employed in ship duty. Middle & Latter part a light breeze from the same the weather rather squally steering the same course at daylight. Made all sail employed in tiring the sails so ends this twenty four hours.

Latitude. 5:06. N
Longitude by Chronometer 31:39. W

Monday April 29: 1861

Came with a fresh breeze from N.E. the ship steering N.W. with all sail out employed in working ship. Middle & Latter part a strong breeze from the same. Took in the Royals and Main topmast stunsail employed in making sprays and other small jobs so ends this twenty four hours.

Latitude 6:40. N
Longitude by Chronometer 34:34. W

Tuesday April 30: 1861

Came with a strong breeze from N.E. the ship steering N.W. under all sail except Royals and Main topmast stunsail employed in making sprays and other different jobs. Middle and Latter part wind the same the weather rather squally steering the same course employed in ship duty the ship under for and main topmast sail Mizzon topmast sail and flying jib. Parted so ends this twenty four hours.

Latitude. 8:41. N
Longitude by Chronometer 37:16. W