

Remarks On Board The Ship Hongqua

Sunday 9th Day of October 1836

The first & middle part of these 24 hours light breezes from the S.W. & passing clouds later part strong breezes from the S.W. & equally weather at 7 P.M. lowered for to right subal timeth & success it being very rugged for whaling at 10 spoke the ship. Remains of Ombuds 4 months out 40 lbs of sperm & 10 upright whale Capt. Bartlett there 24 hours ends with strong winds & passing clouds under Duille reefs standing to the S.W. latitude 32-46 longitude at 2 P.M. 79-22-3

Monday 10th Day

The first part of these 24 hours strong winds from the S.W. & passing clouds standing to the S.W. under Duille reefs in company with the Gannet it took in 1 & 1/2 hren. 2 sails middle part more ship at Daylog made 8th sail there 24 hours ends with light breezes from the S.W. & cloudy weather first part low 1 right whale going to mindward left latitude 33-32 south standing to the S.W.

Tuesday 11th

First & middle part of these 24 hours light breezes from the South & W. & Mastley Clouds first part standing to the South later part fine breezes from the west & Cloudy weather steering S.E. saw nothing but finbacks & a plenty birds latitude

Wednesday 12th

All these 24 hours fresh breezes from the S.W. first & middle part Cloudy later part clear weather steering to the S.E. & high to all night at 6 P.M. raised two right whale lowered for them with 30 success latitude 33-28 longitude at 10 P.M. by Chronometer 80-27

Thursday 13th

All these 24 hours strong breezes from the S.W. & passing clouds & smoky weather heading to the S.W. East under easy sail saw nothing but finbacks

Friday 14th

All these 24 hours strong gails from the North & S.W. & smoky & smoky & smoky weather the most part of these 24 hours under short sail headed to the East & a whale & but a few birds to be seen

Cruising On Whaling Ground In the Indian Ocean

Saturday 15th

P.M. Commence with strong winds from the North & rainy high weather under short sail heading to the North & East & P.M. Moderate & the weather better middle later part fine breezes from the S.W. & good weather at 2 P.M. made all sail & stood to the S.W. saw several finbacks latitude Obs 33-26

Sunday 16th

The first & middle part of these 24 hours fresh breezes from the S.W. & passing clouds later part the wind increased & a bad at 2 P.M. looked for whale & struck & drew from one & saved the other later part cut him in so ends these 24 hours heading to the South under easy sail latitude by Obs 33-25 longitude by Lunar at 1 P.M. 84-28 by Chron 84-31-45

Monday 17th of October

All these 24 hours strong gails from the S.W. & light showers of rain the sea bad heading to the South & light showers of rain the sea bad heading to the South the first part started the works at 10 P.M. could down on the account of its being too rough to bail at 6 P.M. started the works again so ends these 24 hours longitude at 3 P.M. 85-00-45

Tuesday 18th

The first part of these 24 hours strong breezes from the S.W. & passing clouds middle part more moderate later part light breezes & Cloudy weather standing to the S.W. & part light breezes & Cloudy weather standing to the S.W. under all sail at 7 P.M. finished Bailing & cleared the Deck so ends these 24 hours no whale in sight latitude Obs 33-09

Wednesday 19th

All these 24 hours light breezes from the S.W. & Cloudy & heavy weather the first part heading to the North & later part heading to the South stood down the sail so ends these 24 hours with pleasant weather latitude Obs 32-57 longitude at 2-30 P.M. 84-20-45

Thursday 20th

All these 24 hours light breezes from the North & pleasant weather steering to the South short land sail at night at 10-30 P.M. lowered for whale with 30 success so ends these 24 hours with fine breezes from the North & pleasant weather latitude 33-38 longitude 85-53

Friday 21st

The first & middle part of these 24 hours fine breezes from the North & pleasant weather later part strong breezes & clear weather the first & later part steering to the East & S.W. middle part under short sail heading to the West saw a good many finbacks latitude Obs 33-39 longitude at 2 P.M. 84-47-30