

Bark Hope in the indian Ocean 1851

Tuesday April the 1 all of this day light breeze from the south East and calm hot weather at 10 A.M. saw a shoal of sperm whales and lured for the same and the larboard boat struck one small whale fifteen mile from the ship at 6 P.M. took him along side and got supper and set three watches and took a good smoke and in our decks full of casks and lumber. so ends this day
fools Day

Latitude 03.25 south
Longitude



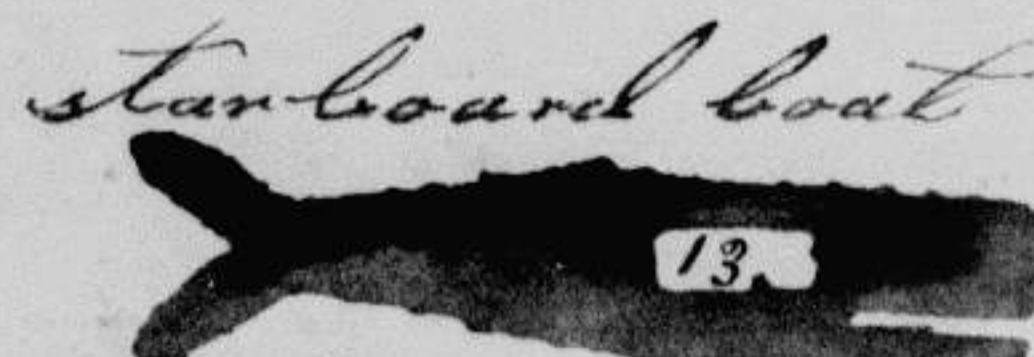
Starboard boat

Wednesday April the 2 all of this day calm and light breezes from the south East heading to the south west with fine pleasant weather employed cutting in the whale and stowing oil in the after hole finished cutting at 10 A.M. saw nothing but hard times so ends this Day

Latitude 03.04 south
Longitude 55.34 East

Thursday April the 3 all of this day light breezes from the south East heading south & west at 6 A.M. finished bowling and saw a shoal of sperm whales and lured for the same and struck three one to each boat and killed one that counts for the ship no rooms in him at 12 A.M. took them along side and broke out for casks and put 10 casks of oil down between decks and got ready for cutting so ends this hard Days work

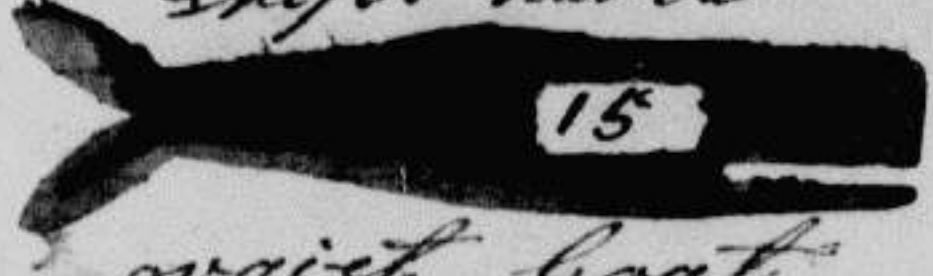
Latitude 03.32 south
Longitude 55.40 east



Starboard boat



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Friday April the 4 all of this day light breezes from the south East heading to the northward with hot pleasant weather so hot that the sun set the deck on fire finished cutting at 11 A.M. employed bowling out the whales and hot work it was to calm the middle and latter of this day so ends this Day

Latitude 03.31 south
Longitude 54.58 East

Saturday April the 5 all of this day calm and hot weather heading to the north employed bowling and setting up hooks our fore works caught fire it was so hot bird island in sight distance 8 mile saw plenty of birds and porpoises and fish so ends this hot abominable Day darnel hard times 18 hours with my feet in a bucket of water to keep them from burning up

Latitude 03.39 south
Longitude 55.02 East

Sunday April 6 all of this day calm and hot weather heading to the north bird island in sight finished bowling at 7 P.M. employed oil the rest of the day stowing down oil and coo-pering one third of the crew of duty so ends this awful hard days work Sunday no church to Day but twelve hours in the hold saw plenty of sharks not land sharks hard times

Latitude 03.38 south
Longitude 55.25 East

Monday April the 7 all of this day light breezes from the south East heading to the northward and Eastward employed coo-pering and stowing down oil in the main hole saw nothing so ends this hard days work my back will be on the ferns in two days more the hardest times that I ever saw

Latitude 02.51 south
Longitude 55.46 East

Tuesday April the 8 first and middle part of this day fine breezes from the south East heading south south west latter part calm and hot employed stowing down oil saw nothing but hot weather so ends this Day

Latitude 02.38 south
Longitude 55.49 East