

On The Cornhill Ground To Day

JANUARY
28 Monday

Saturday 27th of November
This day commences with a calm all hands at work rigging up cutting falls and cutting in the whales and also repairing the works again and minding. about ten o'clock broke the minding machine but the captain sawn fixed it and we went to work again. we got through at five o'clock cutting in and then broke out some bread and some oil casks. at sunset the weather set in squally and we took in the foresail and spanker and bit and also clewed down the main topsail and we was obliged to cut down several times during the night so ends this day.

Sunday 28th of November
This day commences with light baffling wind. laying the under short sail. the watch at work in the morning minding and trying out. in the afternoon cleared away the heads and cut them into horse pieces and then washed the decks and oil broke out some shocks the cooper at work setting them up so ends this day.

Monday 29th of November
This day commences with light winds all hands at work cooping the casks washing tubs and junk casks and sending down the cutting gear and stowing it below and also minding fat lean and try it out. we got through trying out about seven and then cleared the minding machine. in the afternoon washed the decks and then set for main and mizen top gallant sails and at sunset took in again and also took in fly bit and clewed up fore and main sail and set quarter watches so ends this day.

Tuesday 30th of November
This day commences with a calm the watch at work breaking out water and filling the tank and also breaking out the sail pen and getting out the sails. in the afternoon unfurled the foresail and main top sail and bent on some old ones and stowed the new ones in the sail pen. the watch at work also at skinning the fat lean oil and of the pots and clearing away the things at sunset took in sail.

Thanksgiving Day of 1843

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31 Thursday

Wednesday 30th of November
This day commences with light winds from the southward steering close to the wind. found for trustions. one sail in sight a try standing to the southward the watch at work scraping the top masts and royal masts and blushing them and also cleaning the pots and ewer and paper. after four o'clock we caught some skipjacks. so ends this day.

Thursday 31st of November
This day commences with light winds from the southward with some rain squalls. the watch in the morning doing nothing. in the afternoon making a sword mat and also hauling the oil forward. one sail in sight a try standing to the southward. plenty of fish around the vessel but went bite so ends this day.

Friday 1st of December
This day commences with light winds from the south west steering close to the wind. found for trustions. the watch at work making a mat and breaking out oil fish and also splicing bone lashing and canker and also making spinn yarn. at sunset took in sail the weather squally and rainy all night. so ends this day.

Saturday 2nd of December
This day commences with light winds from the south south west steering close to the wind. found for trustions. the watch at work making a mat and netting bone lashing &c. in the morning saw a large finback but did not lower. at sunset washed decks. so ends this day.

Sunday 3rd of December
This day commences with strong winds from the south south west steering close to the wind. the weather squally and rainy all day. at sunset took in the fore and mizen top gallant sails. so ends this day with a squall of wind and rain.