

APRIL
8 Monday

Monday, July 4th
This day commences with light winds from the westward steering east by north bound for cruising grounds. The watch at work stripping rope and knotting yarns. The carpenter putting in a skylight. The officers at work mending the fore top mast stay sail. At sunset set fore and main royal so ends this day with fine breezes.

Tuesday, July 5th
This day commences with a calm. The watch at work sewing sail, and unbending the fore sail and main top sail and bending on other ones, and also falling yarns. At five o'clock saw a diamond fish. At sunset a breeze sprang up from the southward steering east half north. so ends this day.

Wednesday, July 6th
This day commences with light variable winds starting east by north. The watch at work making spungarn, and fixing the fore and main sheets, and also fixing the main yard. Saw finbacks to day and also porpoises. so ends this day.

Thursday, July 7th
This day commences with light winds from the southward steering east north bound for cruising grounds. Land in sight. The watch at work painting the keel and anchors and making spungarn.

COAST OF AFRICA

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In the afternoon saw two small boats bound down the coast. so ends this day.

Friday, July 8th
This day commences with a calm. The watch at work getting the starboard anchor on the bows and running the chain below. In the morning saw a school of black fish and lowered the boats. and fastened to her and the third mate. lost his one sail in the afternoon up. and we kept her east for land so ends this day.

COAST OF AFRICA

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Saturday, July 9th
This day commences with a calm. The watch at work making spungarn and fixing the smoke sail. In the afternoon a breeze sprang up from the southward steering east. about two saw land. about four fathoms a boat and spoke a fishing boat at sunset set fore and main royal. At night set fore and main and clipped to the wind and took in the royals and hauled up the foresail and main sail. and sounded and found 15 fathoms water. so ends this day with light winds from the southward.

Sunday, July 10th
This day commences with light winds from the southward steering close to the wind. In the morning the captain called all hands up and told us there would be no more whaling on Sunday or no unnecessary work so ends the day.

Monday, July 11th
This day commences with light winds from the south west head in for the land. with main top sail set. about nine o'clock saw two humpbacks covered the boats and the mate struck one. and then killed the other one with a first lance. and the second mate struck him. and then the mate killed

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killed another loose one and the third mate struck him. the mate then cut his line and fastened to the third mate whale. we got them along side at two o'clock and put the fluke chains on. and then got dinner. and then commenced cutting in. and knocked off at sunset and then set three watches. the ship laying at anchor. the watch on deck at work tying out. so ends this day.