

we dry our jackets not yet dry and stand by for
snacks for the elephant is still in view to sleep
no sleep to night. No obs.

Oct 8th 1854. Sunday.

Towards morning gale abated a
little. Set main & sail double reefed. As
the morning did not rise however we knew
that more of the same sort was in store for
us and about noon it came on again cool
and heavy and we furled M. & sail.
Fortunate for us the Bark nobly does her duty
in these trying times and we have as yet
carried away nothing of much account.

Bids fare to be an uncomfortable night but
hope my watch below will grant a little
slumber as sleep last night was out of the
question. No obs.

Oct. 9.

Morning no change. About noon wind came
into N. by E. and began to moderate. In the
afternoon sea began to smooth down and we got
all sails on. To night there is some signs of
better weather. What a relief from what we
have just encountered. Lat $37^{\circ} 10'$ Lon. $8^{\circ} 30'$

Oct 10.

No change. Lat $36^{\circ} 25'$ Lon. 7°

Oct 11.

Moderate and pleasant. Under Johnson's saw boat.
Lat $37^{\circ} 20'$ Lon. $8^{\circ} 11'$ W.

Oct. 12.

Strong breeze from N. N. W. S. sails reefed
afternoon some rain. No obs.

Oct. 13.

Wind N. W. and lighter weather
thick and foggy. At 4 P. M. spoke Bark
Anson Light Hoedges from Sag Harbor She
is 15 mod. cut 270 eight and 1/2 m. head
a short gain. No obs.

Oct. 14.

Moderate and wind from N. E.
Saw whales this morning and worked
for them. Chased them about 3 hours and
finally returned without success the whales
going to windward at locomotive speed
Lat $36^{\circ} 40'$ Lon. $8^{\circ} 00'$

Oct 15. Sunday.

Seizing too in a gale of wind from
N. E. in a bad sea under close reefed
M. & sail. F. & M. sail and F. and M.
Spencers. Deck wet and disagreeable. This
looks like anything but whaling. Lat $36^{\circ} 22'$ Lon. $7^{\circ} 42'$

Oct. 16.

No change and no obs.

Oct. 17.

This morning wind hauled into the
N. W. and the aspect though disagreeable