

Ship Isaac Howland

Wednesday Begins with fresh trades and clear weather spoke ship.

January 10th 1837 Mercury and cameel with her sister part much the same as the first, we are exceeding on all drawing sail to gain to the East
Lat by lrs 5^h 45^m S.

Thursday Light trades and clear
Jan^y 11th saw 1 ship we have all drawing sail set and lacking ship as requisite we are doing our best to get to windward but the thing appears to be impossible with a dull sail and a strong current against us I would not care it ceases with any we desire whether it was head formast or stern formast if we could see and take whales, fortune formerly favored us but it has frowned and generally us all together he, he, ~~that~~ it is well we can't expect to hold triumph every time.

Lat by lrs 5^h 50^m

Friday A spoke ship Omega of Nantucket Gardner Master
January 12th hauling 900 lbs the Capt. very sick complaint unknown
If I may be permitted to judge I should say ^{his sickness} was caused by walking to work the circle of reflection ^{the} him ^{the} Guy light winds and good weather

Lat 5^h 50^m North

Cruising for sperm whale

Saturday Go it again Garry if
Jan^y 13th 1837 You burst fresh trades and clear working to windward under full drawing sail

Lat 6^h 20^m North

Sunday
Jan^y 14th Wind and weather as yesterday nothing in sight

Monday Light winds and clear
Jan^y 15th nothing in sight
Lat 5^h 50^m

Tuesday Light Trades and clear
Jan^y 16th saw 2 ships
Lat 5^h 00^m S
Long 103^h 11^m W.