

Bark John. A. Robb. Cruising for Whales in Lat 12° S.

Tuesday Nov 30th

Comes in with fine clear weather and light air from South the Bark steering by the wind to the Eastward saw plenty of small fish, but nothing that looked like Whales, the watch employed breaking out the board between decks, & cooping at
Lat 12.55 Long 111.00

Wednesday December 1st 1838

This day Comes in with fine weather and light breeze from South the Bark steering to the Westward Middle & latter part, fresh breeze, saw nothing. Employed rat down the fore rigging & several other jobs
Lat 13.10 S Long 111.25 E

Thursday December 2^d

Comes in with fine weather and light breeze from South the Bark steering to the S.W. Middle and latter part much the same, saw nothing
Lat 13.02 S Long 111.17 E

Friday December 3^d

Comes in with light breeze from S.W. the Bark steering to the Westward, Middle & latter part much the same at 4 P.M. spoke Bark Ellen, latter part steering to the Eastward saw no fish, the watch employed working on rigging,
Lat 13.00 Long 111.00 E

Saturday December 4th

Comes in with fine weather and moderate breeze from S.W. the Bark steering to the Eastward Middle & latter part the same, spoke the Bark Ellen,
Lat 13.07 S Long 111.00 E

Sunday December 5th

Comes in with light Breeze from South the Bark steering to the Westward, the Bark Ellen in Company, saw porpoises
Lat 13.07 S Long 111.00 E

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Monday December 6th 1838

This day Comes in with fine weather and light breeze from South the Bark steering to the Eastward, in Company with the Bark Ellen, at 4 P.M. saw Whales going North East, lowered the Boat, manned with the Ellen, but could not get to the Whales, as it was calm and could not use our sails, Middle part steering North, latter part at 6 P.M. saw nothing
Lat 13.15 S Long 111.28 E

Tuesday December 7th

Comes in with moderate breeze from South, the Bark steering to the South West, Middle part steering to the North, latter part steering S.W. saw nothing, the watch employed turning up the M. top mast back stays,
Lat 12.56 S Long 113.48 E

Wednesday December 8th

This day Comes in with fine weather & light breeze from South the Bark steering N.W. at 4 P.M. saw Whales, lowered all four boats, at 3 P.M. the Starboard Boat struck a small Whale, took him to the Ship, & cut him in, finished about 10 P.M. Middle part, steering N.E. saw nothing
Lat 13.10 S Long 113.30 E

Thursday Dec 9th

These twenty four hours fine weather & moderate breeze from South the Bark steering to the Westward, at sunset saw Whales going to the S.E. kept run off them all night and next morning saw them again, lowered for them, the Starboard Boat struck, and shortly afterwards, the Starboard Boat, parted, and got a small Whale back, got them alongside about noon,
Lat 13.12 S Long 113.45 E

Friday Dec 10th

All this day fine weather and moderate breeze from South the Bark cutting 11.3 small Whales, finished about 7 P.M. latter part Employed boiling saw nothing, any consequence, the Bark Ellen in sight, boiling to ends,
Lat 13.12 S Long 113.45 E

Saturday 11th

All this day fine weather all hands employed boiling, saw nothing the Ellen in sight boiling to ends with fine weather
Lat 13.12 S Long 113.45 E