

Saturday Jan 18th 1868
Fair. wind strong from NE. Bird Id in sight
Reefed topsails this evening

Sunday Jan 19th
Fair. wind moderate from NE. Bird Id in sight
Took in light sails this evening

Monday Jan 20th
Fair. wind light NE At 4 P.M. the starboard
boat went ashore at Bird Id and got a lb of
land, some food and a large number of mutton
birds, green con. and a bunch of bananas. There
was a scho. loading there from Mahe. they were going
to get 8000 mutton birds.

Tuesday Jan 21st
X Equally with rain. Engaged this A.M. at breaking
out water, also setting up fly fil. stay. A few
minutes before noon. John Annot raised a sperm
whale on the lee bow going to the windward
wind N. Lowered at 12:30 and chased him
untill dark, but he was too quick for us.
Got aboard at 8 P.M. Bird Id bore N by S 10 miles

Wednesday Jan 22nd
X Bairy. wind light from N.N.W. At 4 P.M. cooper
Marshall Francis raised sperm whales on the weather
quarter, going on the wind heading E.N.E.
The bow boat went on, but was out of dart
The whales were going quick the same as
usual. No wind. At the time had to take care
Starboard boat did not lower
Dennis Id bore N

Thursday Jan 23rd 1868
Cloudy. wind blowing strong from N.W. Broke
out floor this morning. Bird Id in sight
this evening. Reefed topsails this evening

Friday Jan 24th
Bairy. and blowing a gale from N.W. Had very
bad weather all last night. Under double reef
topsails. Saw a ship bounds towards Mahe.
Bird Island in sight this evening.

Saturday Jan 25th
Cloudy. blowing a gale from N.W. under double
reef topsails. Saw sperm right ahead. 2 miles
distant, suppose to be sperm whales, just after sunset.
Bird Id bearing N.N.W. Hauled aboard mainyard
this evening

Sunday Jan 26th
Fair. moderate breeze from N. Saw Dennis, Praslin,
North and Bird Ids. Took in light sails this

Monday Jan 27th
Fair. moderate breeze from N.N.E. Engaged in setting
up fil. stay morning. Dennis, Bird, and North Ids
in sight. Struck a porpoise and fired him

Tuesday Jan 28th
X Fair. wind light from N.W. At 10 minutes past 9
Mr Philip B. Cook raised a sperm whale on our
lee bow, going to leeward, heading N.E. going like
Devil. lowered a few minutes before 11 o'clock, and
chased him untill dark. He then formed a
junction with a large school of cons. which
were going quick to NE. boats got aboard at
8 P.M. The starboard boat did not lower
Saw a French mail steamer bound to Mahe.
Dennis Id bore S.S.W. at sunset.