

Ship Leonidas Cruising For Whales

1837 P.M. Commences with fine breezes from the S. & E. pleasant at 2 spoke Barque Jason Sulr & Newcarodon 3 wright & 1 sperm whale at 3 finest hailing all hands employed Sunday in stowing down at 6 finest stowing down R of Havemb took in sail heading to the S. & E. at 12 middle part wore ship to the South Ends with light S. & E. breezes clear pleasant warm & smooth sea & no whale but penbacks 2 ships in sight so ends with all sail set starboard tacks aboard

Latitude 35° 38' Long at 2 part meridian 23° 31'

P.M. Commences with fine breezes from the S. & E. & fine weather 6 ships in sight 1 hailing Monday & 1 cutting middle & later part fine breezes from S. & E. to North & cloudy weather at 10 loar for 2 wright whale struck 1 & cut the line by a 3rd harpoon saw 3 ships take whale first part spoke ship hoard 2 wright & 1 sperm whale & ship lancear 1 whale No observation

first & middle part of this 24 hours light breezes from the S. & E. & cloudy weather Tuesday later part lively breezes & light rains all sail 14th set heading to the S. & W. first part heading to the S. & E. hoard for 2 whale could not pass later part hoard for 2 & could not pass saw 6 ships & 3 or more hailing

All these 24 hours lively breezes first part from the North & same rain middle & later Wednesday part foggy later wind from S. & E. 6 ships in sight first part hoard for 4 whale could not pass

Latitude by Obs 34° 24' Longitude at 2 part meridian 22° 41'

Thursday to the S. & W. & thick fog heading to the S. & E. at 10 A.M. until 10 A.M. wore ship to the S. & E. the fog cleared so ends these 24 hours with flying claudes 5 whale ships in sight 2 hailing a Dutch merchantman past under our lee Steering S. & E.

Latitude 35° 19' Longitude at 5 part meridian 20° 28'

In The South Atlantic Ocean

1837 P.M. Commences with strong S.W. winds & flying claudes steering S. & E. 5 whale ships November in sight 2 hailing at 5 P.M. a merchant Friday ship past over to the windward steering S. & E. 17 royals & royal studsails & Mizen J.M. Steady sail set at 7 took in sail heading to the S. & E. Middle & later part light breezes from S. & W. & some foggy steering S. & E. & East at 11 O.M. saw a whale hoard without success so ends these 24 hours saw a good deal of brit latitude about 35° 00'

first part lively breezes from North cloudy & some fog at 2 O.M. the wind halled to North Saturday strong breezes & rainy later part moderate clear & pleasant weather first part saw 8 or 10 whale & a plenty feeds hoard 3 times without success leading to the S. & E. at 12 middle part wore ship to the west at 5 made sail at 6 wore ship to the North saw 2 whale hoard 1 boate the whale started to windward saw 2 ships to the westward steering to the S. & E. so ends with plenty in sight

Latitude 34° 33' South Longitude at 2 part merid 21° 32'

first & middle part light airs from the West & Calms heading to the South later part light breezes from the North clear & pleasant weather Sunday steering N. & W. at 10-30 hoard for 2 whale Did not see them after saw 2 ships to the westward so ends these 24 hours on board the ship Leonidas all sail set & all hands well except that hurt his leg when first on the ground & he is on the mending hand may the god that rules the whale direct our course where they are plenty & easy to be caught

Latitude 34° 50' Longitude at 7 O.M. by lunar 21° 10' 15" by Chro 21° 52' 00"

Monday first & middle part of these 24 hours light breezes from the North & pleasant weather spoke ship Pacific 20 Calms 3 wright & 1 sperm whale saw & chart them without success later part lively breezes & flying claudes saw & chart 2 more whale all without success later part steering S. & E.

Latitude 35° 19' Longitude at 2 part merid 20° 28'