

Ship Leonidas of Fairhaven

Thursday 13 of December 1838

First & Middle parts fresh breezes from WSW to NW flying clouds saw 3 whales going fast to SW under double reef at sunset last reef fird gill & mains later fresh breezes & squally some rain saw 4 ship supposed to be the Tread at 11 saw & lowered for a whale going fast to windward so ends under double reef wind WSW

Friday 14

Commences with strong breezes from WSW passing clouds at 2 PM wore ship to NW a rough sea later fine breezes & clear all sail set at 11 spoke ship

Lead Capt went aboard

Saturday 15

First part lively breeze from WSW weather fine the spoke of French ship from Havre bound to Calcutta saw several finbacks at sunset saw 2 whales called them upright whales middle light & overcast later small breezes from South & calm about 5 PM

Sail & bent our best in their places mending hale watches bound to

Latitude 36° 22' Long at 4 PM 63° 36'

Sunday 16

Commences with Calms middle light breezes from NW & overcast later lively & clear steering WSW all sail set

Saw several finbacks Latitude 37° 11' Long at 2 PM 62° 15'

Monday 17

First part lively breezes from North & passing clouds at 2:30 PM raised a shoal of large sperm whales going fast to SSE the ship tried to lward

got one we lowered Chairt about 3 hours & could not come up with them middle fresh gails & cloudy rainy from 3 to 8 PM at 4 wind shifted to WSW ends fine breeze & pleasant

aboard employed in mending & W T sail Latitude 38° 35' Long at 2 PM 60° 39'

Cruising For Whale Indian

Tuesday 18 of December 1838

First & Middle parts lively breezes from WSW & fine weather standing to South watch employed in repairing sails later light breeze & clear with a high swell saw a good many birds at 8 PM took ship to WSW saw a ship of sea bow

Wednesday 19

at these 24 hours light breeze from WSW to WNW & Calms employed in mending sails about 11 PM sail

Thursday 20

Commences with Calms middle light breezes from North overcast later lively & clear about 11 PM repaired about 11 sail & bent the old one Course WSW saw a Barque steering ESE saw nothing

Friday 21

First part lively breezes from North & fine weather middle strong & cloudy from 4 to 8 fresh gails & hard rains last reef at 8:30 wind shifted to WSW

ends with breezes & passing clouds under double reef & courses

Saturday 22

Commences with fresh breezes & fair middle light at 2 wind halld to NW & light at 4 North & strong took in M.T.G. sail & double reef at 9 took in M sail & c reef at 10 blowing heavy & squalls of rain took in sail turned up lee Boates

at 11 wind halld to NW

Sunday 23

Commences with strong abouting gails from NW & fair at 3 set C reef 2 sails at 6 quite moderate saw a small whale lowered & could not fosen middle light breezes from W to SW later lively from South & rainy steering West No Observation