

Barth. A. Hicks cruising for Whales

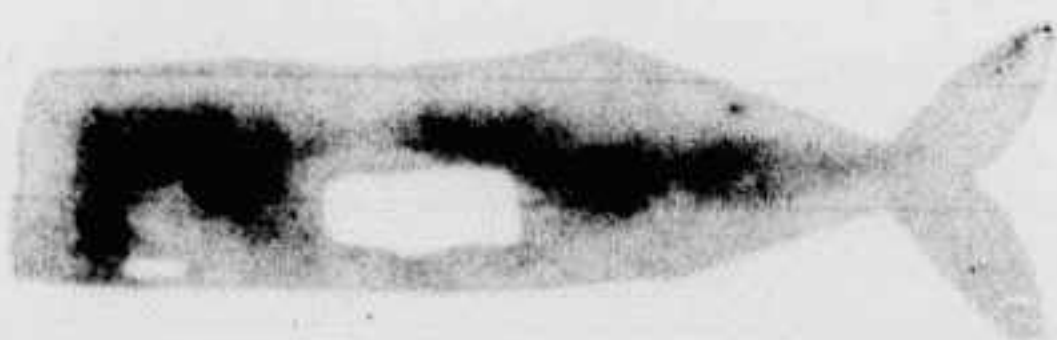
Monday
April 2nd. First of these 24 hours fine weather & a light breeze from S.E. hands employed getting ready to cut hooked on at 3 P.M. & cut till dark & then hauled down mid & latter parts fine weather hooked on to our whale at 6 P.M. & got his head off & today in the night so ends this day

Tuesday
April 3rd. First of these 24 hours fine weather hands employed cutting & boiling mid & latter parts much the same saw 2 sail to day so ends Lat 24.23 Long 48.07

Wednesday
April 4th. First of these 24 hours blowing fresh from the Southward with heavy squalls of rain hands employed boiling mid & latter parts cloudy & hazy & gained with B.H. Buell to day also saw the Sealand so ends this day Lat 24.04 Long 47.47

Thursday
April 5th. First of these 24 hours cloudy weather & a strong breeze from the Eastward hands employed trying out mid & latter parts weather much the same finished boiling at 6 hours. A.M. so ends this day Lat 24.30 Long 47.33

Friday
April 6th. First of these 24 hours cloudy weather & a strong breeze from the E.N.E. B.H. steering by the wind and different tacks one sail in sight mid & latter parts raining we lost one of our Boatmen to day John Hardy by name he fell over board from out of the Starboard Boat & was drowned & Boat was lowered as soon as possible but he went down before the Boat could reach him he could not swim Lat 25.14 Long 48.47



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Saturday
April 7th. First of these 24 hours rainy weather & a strong breeze from E.N.E. B.H. steering by the wind & sailing & hands employed stowing down mid & latter parts fine weather so ends this day Lat 26.09 Long 49.32

Sunday
April 8th. First of these 24 hours fine weather & light variable winds B.H. steering by the wind hands employed breaking out & stowing down mid & latter parts rainy so ends this day Lat 26.10 Long 48.58

Monday
April 9th. First of these 24 hours cloudy weather & variable wind B.H. steering different courses saw 2 sail steering S.W. also saw 2 Fin backs at night shortened sail mid part fine weather latter part passing showers hands employed breaking out & stowing down so ends this day Lat 25.05 Long 49.20

Tuesday
April 10th. First of these 24 hours cloudy weather & a strong breeze from the Eastward B.H. steering. W finished stowing down our oil to day saw 2 sail at night. Compasses mid part & heavy thunder storm with much rain latter part more moderate so ends this day Lat 24.20 Long 48.57

Wednesday
April 11th. First of these 24 hours strong breeze from S.W. & R steering. W one sail in sight mid & latter parts fine weather saw the Sealand so ends this day Lat 24.20 Long 48.25

Thursday
April 12th. First of these 24 hours fine weather & light wind from the Southward B.H. steering different courses saw the Sealand & one sail at night shortened sail mid & latter parts much the same saw 2 sail steering N.E. the westward so ends this day Lat 24.23 Long 48.09