

Bark Mabel Cruising on New Holland

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Wednesday Oct 9th This day fine weather and light winds from N.E. the Bark on different tacks looking for a whale. I hope we will see one before long. Lat 29° 00' S Long 108° 32' E.

Sunday Oct 13th This day fine weather and light winds from the westward steering South. Saw several finbacks some birds and one vessel a Merchantman steering to the North.

Lat 28° 14' S Long 109° 56' E

Monday Oct 21st The last week has passed away without seeing any whales. Last Wednesday left the West Coast to go South. Yesterday saw a Merchantman steering to the North. To day saw the land stood in within 10 miles of the white top rocks, and were ship off shore the wind fresh from the Westward.

Lat 35° 10' S Long 116° 03' E

Tuesday Oct 22^d Comes in with fine weather and moderate breeze from the westward, at 9 A.M. saw two large whales going to the E.S.E. lowered all the boats the mates boat got in a slight iron drawn from him and lost the whale.

Lat 35° 10' S Long 115° 41' E

Saturday Nov 2^d This day Comes in with strong breeze from S.W. the Bark steering S.E. at 2 P.M. raised a school of small whales going to the Westward slow. Lowered for them with two boats without success.

Lat 35° 12' S Long 114° 16' E

Monday Nov 4th This day fine weather and light breeze from the Westward steering E.S.E. at 2 P.M. hauled by the wind to the S.E. saw the land. one whaler in sight.

Lat 35° 23' S Long 115° 58' E



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Tuesday Nov 5th This day Comes in with light winds from N.E. the Bark steering to the S.W. at 6 P.M. saw a sperm whale too late to lower. Saw him one rising. two whalers in sight.

Lat 35° 25' S Long 115° 30' E

Saturday Nov 9th Comes in with fine weather and moderate breeze from S.E. steering East & Middle part calm later part light breeze at 5 P.M. raised whale going East lowered for them and struck to waist boat about sunset and saved a small calf raised him whale yesterday lowered for Blackfish and caught fine.

Sunday Nov 10th This day light winds and calm. Saw a large whale going west quick did not lower no chance. The land in sight.

Lat 35° 32' S Long 117° 30' E.

Thursday Nov 21st Comes in with good weather and fresh breeze steering by the wind to N.W. the wind from W. at 11 A.M. saw a pod of large whales going West made sail and tried to work to windward of them. did not lower no chance.

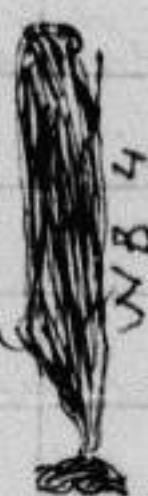
Lat 35° 13' S Long 115° 18' E

Saturday Nov 23^d This day fine weather and whole sail breeze from South. the Bark on the wind to the S.W. at noon tacked ship. the land in sight about 15 miles dist. saw porpoises ends with fine weather.

Thursday Nov 28th These twenty four hours fine weather and moderate breeze from the S.W. the Bark on different tacks Cruising off Balch Islands. Employed painting ship inside saw finbacks and birds. But don't see any whales.



no chance



poor chance



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