

1858

Remarks on board of Ship Majestic Tuesday May 18th

Light breezes from the Northward lying too in the ice with the Ships Saratoga. Mobile Gay Head and Bk John Elizabeth the Addison sailing at 1 Pm saw a bow head toward the boats but without success at 4 Pm broke out Molasses at 7 Pm gained with the Mills their boats had been fast and one had got badly stove Capt Atwater let him have one from over head at 7 saw a bow head toward for him but could not fasten at 8 Am all the boats started off for the ice the wind light.



Remarks Wednesday May 19th

The wind continues light from the Northward the boats still in the ice at 6 Pm came about at 12 part 5 saw a bowhead toward the boats and the 3rd mate Mr Tocher struck him the whale took his line but we succeeded in striking and killing him took him alongside at 9 Pm. and commenced cutting finished cutting at 9 Am. the weather thick and set the watch the remainder of the day employed on clearing away the head head whales blowing



Remarks Thursday May 20th

Light breezes from the Northward and foggy in the air on both tacks employed on getting ready for boiling at 4 Pm started the works at 7 Pm saw a whole going quick to the windward toward the west and Starboard boats but without success the remainder of the day employed on boiling 17 sails in sight the Gay Head a boiling



Remarks on board of Ship Majestic Friday May 21st 1858

The weather mild and pleasant light winds from the Northward. Trying out at 3 Pm saw a bow head toward the bow and Starboard boats but without success in the ice with double reef topsails the middle and latter parts snowed and drily weather at 9 Am saw a bow head toward the boats the bow boat struck and at 11 Am took him along side so ended



Remarks Saturday May 22nd

Strong breezes from the NNE at Pm commenced cutting and at 12 M finished saw one Bk to the windward boiling the middle part strong breezes from the Northward clewed up the fore and mizzen topsails lying too on both tacks at 5 Am broke out Beef and Pork and at 7 Am started the works several ships in sight to the windward one boiling at 11 Am set the fore and mizzen topsails so ends this day

Remarks Sunday May 23rd

Came in with moderate breezes from the Northward on the wind on both tacks employed on trying out at 2 Pm set the foresail the middle part the weather continues the same at 6 Am saw a bow head toward the boats but could not stick at 11 Am the boats came on board 17 sails in sight in the ice so ends this day

