

Remarks on Board the Bark Maria W.B. Thompson.

Sunday October the 26th 1862 Master.
First part steering S. by W. with all sail
set saw nothing at sunset took in main
Gaff gallant sail & flying jib & steering
by the wind Middle & latter part
fine weather at day light wore ship
& steering N. by E. & set main Gaff
gallant sail & flying jib saw several
fin backs & porpoises sails the day
Satt by abt 1100 South
Long by abt 125° 14' West

Monday October the 27th
First part set all light sail, & still
steering N. by E. with all sail set
saw several fin backs & porpoises at
sunset took in the light sails & all
up the course & left to tow the wind
heading to the N. E. under main Gaff sail
at 10 P.M. all back Middle & latter part
fine weather at 6 A.M. set all sail & began
manoeuvring in Gore Gap must back
stays saw many porpoises sails the day
Satt by abt 230 miles South
Long by abt 125° 14' West

Tuesday October the 28th
First part still employed turning in
Gore Gap must back stays at sunset took in
all light sails & all up course still steering
North at 9 P.M. all back at daylight
began to haul & set course & steering
at West saw porpoises sails the day
Satt by abt 18 miles South
Long by abt 124° 19' West

Cruising on the Line Gore Sperm Whales

Wednesday October the 29th 1862 Nantz
First part all to the South & Aban
at 6 P.M. saw a break to the S. by W.
at 4 P.M. made out to see Sperm whale
but was to late stood to the N. E. until
2 A.M. & wore ship to the S. by W. at 3 A.M.
saw a shoal of Sperm whale going to
the wind at midnight the whales lung
way of 10 miles the day
Satt by abt 61 miles South
Long by abt 129° 15' West

Thursday October the 30th
First part the whales still in sight lung
way of 2 P.M. saw again about 2 miles off
at 3 P.M. lowered the boats at 4 P.M. the S
the boat started at 5 P.M. took the Sperm whale
along side & could be refed the Gaff sail & stood
to the N. E. with whale at 6 A.M. began manoeuvring
cutting at 8 P.M. finished cutting & employed
to haul up & so ends the day
Satt by abt 605 South
Long by abt 129° 18' West

Friday October the 31st
First part began way at 3 P.M. began manoeuvring
heading to the N. E. with fresh
breezes from E. by S. Middle & latter part
still just winds still employed
hauling so ends the day
Satt by abt 5.2 miles S
Long by abt 129° 21' West