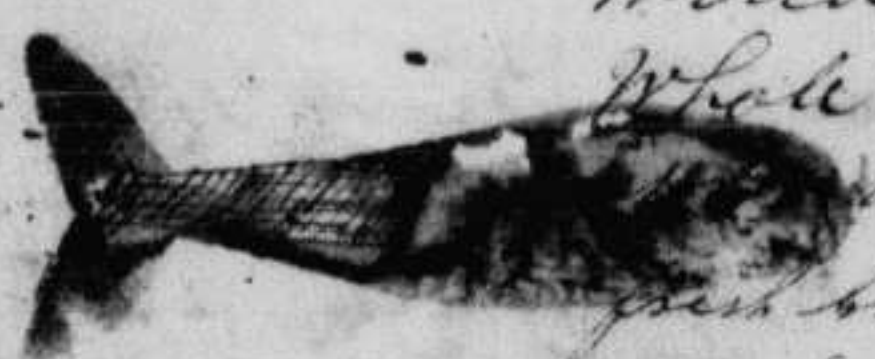


Ship Martha Log Book On A Whaling Voyage In The

Remarks On Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February 1837



Wined from the West at 1 P.M. lowered and put out to  
Whale tunnel took the line killed him but lost a tale him  
we took him to the ship so rough he could not cut him  
and threw through the night at 4 A.M. looked on and  
at 7 do had the whale in wore ship to the N.E. & came Boiling  
to ends with strong gales from the N.W. and very fresh  
Obs. Lat. 42° 35' Long. 76° 57' E.

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February 1837

Strong gales from the N.W. Employed Boiling at  
5 P.M. A blow heavy cooled down the work  
at 4 A.M. more moderate and thick set the fire a going a game so early with  
moderate breeze from the Westward strong light employed Boiling  
Obs. Lat. 42° 57' Long. 78° 53' E.

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 1837

horned with light air from the westward and a heavy wind  
steered N.W. employed Boiling at 4 P.M. finished boiling  
Middle part Cabin & cloudy, latter part light air from the  
Westward and fair weather. Stowed the oil below so early with  
moderate breeze and fair weather steering N.E. Obs. Lat. 47° 24'  
Long 76° 12' E.

Remarks On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 1837

Moderate breezes from the West & pleasant steering  
N.E. at 1 P.M. had the oil all down, Middle and latter part  
pleasant breezes from the Westward and fair weather  
at daylight took sail run N.E. under fore sail & fore top sail  
to reach end but other so early employed repairing  
sails. Obs. Lat. 35° 35' Long 79° 40' E.

Remarks On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 1837

Pleasant breezes from the N.W. steering N.E. at 5 P.M. made the  
Island of St. Pauls N.E. by Compass 38 miles distant by Estimation at 7 P.M.  
Shortened sail head to the S.E. at 1 A.M. wore to the N.W. at 8 A.M. made  
sail and run in for the land at 10 A.M. lowered and went in  
to the land with two boats carrying anchors caught other 66 fish  
the ship lying off & on off the East part of the Island  
Obs. Lat. 38° 40' S 78° 10' E

Remarks On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February 1837

Moderate breezes from the N.W. at 4 P.M. the Boat came  
onboard filled with the N.W. wind N.W.  
Middle part Moderate at daylight made all sail of the main to the  
S.W. at 12 M. distant St. Pauls Island bore E.S.E. by Compass 41 miles  
by Estimation  
Obs. Lat. 38° 38' S 77° 10' E

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Remarks On Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February



First breezes from the N.W. and cloudy in place of  
strong sailing Middle part the same at 4 P.M. raised  
shade of Spanish Whales at 12 M. distant took set of them  
and the ship so early with wind from the N.W.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February

at 10 A.M. breeze from the N.W. at 1 P.M. commenced cutting  
the main at sundown had four of them cut in and cut  
two by long side, raised a part strong wind from  
the N.W. at 11 A.M. one of the whales parted from land side  
& we lost him commenced clearing away the heads and set  
the work a going at 5 P.M. cut in the other whale with  
by long side and commenced cutting so early with strong  
wind from the N.W. and thick by the day to the N.W.

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 1837

Commenced with fresh breezes from the N.W. middle part  
foggy and cloudy. latter part fine breezes from the N.W.  
and foggy squally by the wind to the S.W. employed Boiling  
Obs. Lat. 50° 13' S Long 76° 33' E

Remarks On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 1837

Fresh breezes from the N.W. and foggy squally by the wind to  
the S.W. under easy sail employed Boiling  
Middle and latter part the same. at 10 A.M. under short  
sail employed Boiling Obs. Lat. 40° 45' S 76° 00' E

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 1837

Fresh breezes from the N.W. and cloudy by the wind to the  
S.W. under close reefed main top sail & fore sail employed  
Boiling Middle part part the same at 4 A.M. finished boiling  
hoisted stowing down oil stowed down all that was cold  
and shocked off the main hatch wore ship to the N.W. under  
from the S.W. and fine rain thick weather  
Obs. Lat. 40° 56' S 75° 49' E

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 1837

horned with fine breezes from the S.W. and fair weather  
by the wind to the S.W. Middle part strong winds from the  
S.W. and squally. latter part more moderate set 24 whale raised  
top sail by the wind to the N.W. Obs. Lat. 41° 02' Long 75° 52'

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February 1837

Moderate breezes from the S.W. by the wind to the N.W. stowed  
four barrels of Spanish head bitocies washed  
Middle and latter part moderate breezes from the N.W. and  
fair weather steering S.W. by the day. Obs. Lat. 44° 35' S 75° 00' E

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