

Ship Mary cruising for sperm Whales September 1853
 courses of wind Monday Sept the 5th
 WSW SSW A heavy gale & squalls of rain under close reefed main
 top sail main spencer & stay sail middle part moderated
 fore ship at daylight made sail fresh breeze & hazy W saw
 fin backs 11 sail in sight took 1000 S

Tuesday Sept the 6th Lat by orls
 Long by chron
 S WSW Fresh breeze & hazy W 1 sail in sight steering
 to the Southward at sundown shortened sail
 saw squid middle & latter parts strong breeze & hazy under short sail
 saw porpoises 11 Wright Whale going quick to the windward
 took as before Lat by orls

Wednesday Sept the 7th Long by chron
 S WSW A moderate gale & cloudy W at 4 P.M. stowed the fore &
 main top sails saw fin backs
 SE SSW middle & latter parts strong breeze & hazy W at 8 P.M. set
 fore & main top sails saw 1 fin back took 800 S

Thursday Sept the 8th Lat by orls
 Long by chron
 W SSW Begins with a fresh gale & hazy W at 11 P.M. stowed
 the fore & main top sails & fore sail saw squid
 middle & latter parts blowing a heavy gale & hazy
 under close reefed main top sail & spencer & fore top & stay
 sail took 900 S Lat by orls

Friday Sept the 9th Lat by orls
 S WSW A heavy gale & squalls of rain middle & latter parts
 S WSE moderate gale & hazy W a bad sea under close reefed
 main top sail & spencers & ends took 1200 S

Saturday Sept the 10th Lat by orls
 Long by chron
 S WSE Fore part fresh breeze & hazy W under close reefed top
 sail & fore sail & spencers middle part squalls of rain
 SE at daylight made sail light breeze & clear W saw fin
 backs took 700 S Lat by orls
 Long by chron

Ship Mary cruising the ocean for Whales September 1853
 courses of wind Sunday Sept the 11th
 S WSE Light breeze & clear W saw fin backs & porpoises at sundown
 shortened sail at daylight made sail fresh breeze from eastward
 steering S W by S saw porpoises & ends took 450 S
 No orls to day

Monday Sept the 12th
 S W by S E fore part strong breeze & cloudy W caught a porpoise at sundown
 shortened sail attended with rain
 middle & latter parts strong breeze & thick rainy weather
 under short sail saw help & porpoises took the same as before
 No orls

Tuesday Sept the 13th
 S ESE A strong breeze attended with thick foggy W rain under close reefed
 main top sail & spencers middle & latter parts fresh breeze &
 foggy W at 9 P.M. cleared of fog the fore & main top sails &
 fore sail saw fin backs started fresh water took 300 S

Wednesday Sept the 14th Lat by orls
 Long by chron
 S WSW A strong breeze & clear W under close reefed top sails fore
 sails & spencers middle & latter parts strong breeze & clear
 saw 1 fin back the watch employed at small jobs
 took 300 S Mr. Starkey of duty Lat by orls
 Long by chron

Thursday Sept the 15th
 S WSW A fresh breeze & fine weather under close reefed top sails
 spencers at sundown stowed the gill & main sail
 middle & latter parts strong breeze & clear W at 10 stowed the
 main top sail & Mr. Starkey on duty took the same
 Lat by orls 43 = 45 S

Friday Sept the 16th Lat by orls
 Long by chron
 S WSW The fore part moderate gale & hazy W stowed the fore top
 sail & fore sail & spencers middle part squalls of rain
 W saw fin backs the watch employed at small jobs
 took 350 S
 W S W steering W S W wind W S W
 Lat by orls 44 = 18 S
 Long by chron