

Backs Melitae Seas of Dartmouth Capt Howland
Remarks Monsea Oct 7th 1863

From part calm at 3 P.M. took a light air from the W N W. Saw ship to the N. Saw any quantity of Fin Backs two ships in sight - took in sail at sundown. Midsea part had some rain squalls. Latter part strong breeze from the S W heading to the E. Eastward Long 76° 16' W Lat 42° 15' 3" S

Remarks Thursa Oct 8th

From part strong breeze heading to the N W. Saw plenty of Fin Backs & a carcass of some boy. Saw two ships in sight - took in sail at sundown & were round heading S. E. E. Midsea part the same. Latter part had rain squalls heading to the S E. Long 75° 48' W Lat 43° 06' S

Remarks Frida Oct 9th

From part strong breeze from the S W heading to the S E at 4 P.M. took in the main sail & were ship to the W at sundown took in sail saw nothing but Fin Backs midsea part breezing on. Latter part a moorish Gale from the Southward Long 75° 30' W Lat 43° 10' S

Remarks Saturda Oct 10th

From part a Gale from S E heading S W. by S. main south riga top sail & fore sail at sundown took in the latter all the midsea & latter parts of these 24 hours thick & rainy

Remarks Suna Oct 11th

From part stoppage raining the wind hauling more to the S. saw one sail to two started & time of day & a boll of Pork. Midsea & latter parts moderate with cloudy weather at 7 A.M. were ship to the E S E

N. O. B.

Cruising on Chile

Remarks Monsea Oct 12th 1863

From part moderate the land from the S W heading to the S E at 3 P.M. saw two bright whales lower about 4 P.M. the whales appeared to be moderate & at home the first we have seen so the reason the Larbore Boat struck one & grinded after taking out 25 or 30 fathoms line. Chace to windward came aboard at sundown took in sail & grinded with the Rose till 11 P.M. Midsea part heading to the W. Saw at 6 A.M. were ship to the S E at 9 A.M. saw a whale close to the ship going to leeward sometimes the sporter once at a rising & some times many once like the old fellows. Saw lower & chace fresh breeze & grinded with fog squalls at intervals N. O. B.

Remarks Thursa Oct 13th

From part strong breeze from the S S W heading to the S E after the Boat came on board at 1 1/2 P.M. at 3 saw another whale going quick to leeward did not lower at dusk took in sail & were ship to the W S W. Midsea & latter parts moderate saw a bright whale going quick to leeward did not lower the Boat. Long 76° 00' W Lat 42° 27' S

Remarks Monsea Oct 14th

From part a moderate breeze from the S S E heading to the E saw one ship & plenty of Fin Backs took in sail as usual. Midsea & latter parts the wind very light - saw the land to the Eastward Long 75° 17' W Lat 42° 27' S

Remarks Thursa Oct 15th

From part calm saw some Fin Backs & Hump Backs the Capt lowered down in the Boat to hunt one at 3 P.M. shortly after saw some Spum Whales about 3/4 of a mile from the ship going like the fore lower & chace them six or seven miles & gave them up got within about 1/4 of a mile of them once came aboard & took in sail light air from the W S W heading S. Midsea part calm. Latter part took a light breeze from the N W heading to the S W Long 75° 22' W Lat 42° 20' S