

Bark *Protida* Sears

Tuesday April 16th

Commenced with calm with pleasant weather. Middle and latter part light air from N. W. ship on different tacks. Said again crew employed in getting up the main topmast rigging.

Lat. 32° 58' S.

Wednesday April 17th

Commenced with light air from north with pleasant weather. Latter part strong wind from west with clear weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks under all sailing sail at 10 A. M. raised a sperm whale off the weather beam 14 miles off going to the windward faster than she could bear and to luggard to pull to the windward and not to luggard the boat.

Lat. 32° 18' S.

Thursday April 18th

Commenced with fresh breeze from west with pleasant weather ship by the wind on opposite tacks. Latter part more moderate.

Lat. 32° 13' S.

Friday April 19th

Commenced with fresh breeze from westward with squally weather. Ship steering various courses. At 1 P. M. raised a sperm whale. Lowered her when she struck. Two large whales one to the starboard and one to the larboard. Took the larboard but the whale by the whale taking the line at 9 P. M. took the starboard and took the whale to the ship. Middle part heavy rain and latter part blowing fresh and rugged at daylight commenced cutting.

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Saturday April 20th

Commenced with fresh breeze from west and rugged employment in cutting. At 6 P. M. finished making the haul in the middle and latter part. More moderate ship heading to the south employed in balling the case and cutting junk. At 9 A. M. started the work.

Lat. 33° 30' S.

Long 179° 18' W.

Sunday April 21st

Commenced with light air from west with pleasant weather. Latter part light variable wind with rain. Arrived employed in balling one case.

Monday April 22nd

Commenced with variable winds with squally weather ship by the wind on different tacks. Latter part calm at noon finished balling.

33° 45' S.

Tuesday April 23rd

Commenced with calm at 3 P. M. got a breeze from South. Steered course north under easy sail. Latter part wind from S. W. ship steering different courses. Cooper employed in cooping oil to stow.

Lat 33° 05' S.

Long 179° 01' W.