

Sperm Whales
Remarks on Board Barque

Thursday 16th

Commences today with a light breeze from the N. N. W. with fine pleasant weather steering E. N. E. crew employed on ship's duty saw a whale whaling about 10 miles to windward Middle & Latter parts the wind from the S. W. at daylight James Willie 2nd Mate. raised a lone whale going to windward very quick lowered two boats and gave chase returned to the vessel without success saw two more to leeward lowered again and gave chase so ends this day Lat. 40° Observation

Friday 17th

Commences today with a moderate breeze from the S. W. vessel still employed chasing the whale at 2 o'clock p.m. the larboard boat struck and got stove the waist boat struck the same whale and killed the whale got him along side and commenced cutting off at 1 o'clock set the watches for the night Middle part employed clearing away the gear & breaking out the blubber room at daylight commenced cutting again. The wind from the N. W. so ends this day

Saturday 18th

Commences today with a light breeze from the N. W. vessel employed cutting in the whale got all cut in on deck but his case at sundown got supper and then started the tryworks & set the watches for the night Middle & Latter parts the wind right up and down a dead calm commenced bailing the case so ends this day

Northampton C. P. Tripp Master

Sunday 19th

Commences today with a calm vessel laying aback crew employed bailing the case and at sundown finished. still a boiling Middle & Latter parts wind & weather the same saw nothing so ends this day

Monday 20th

Commences today with a calm vessel under short sail. still a boiling crew employed cutting up junk saw porpoises & grampusses Middle part a light breeze from the N. E. Latter part the same. finished boiling at 12 o'clock at noon saw one sail. so ends this day

Tuesday 21st

Commences today with a light breeze from the N. E. with pleasant weather vessel by the wind crew employed clearing up the decks at sundown took in sail for the night Middle part stood boats crew watches Latter part breaking out the hole getting ready to stow oil saw grampusses so ends this day

Wednesday 22nd

Commences today with a light breeze from the E. with fine pleasant weather vessel by the wind on different tacks crew employed breaking out the hole and clearing the decks at sundown took in sail for the night Middle & Latter parts the wind from the N. E. at daylight commenced stowing down the oil saw one sail so ends this day

Thursday 23rd

Commences today with a light breeze from the N. E. with fine pleasant weather vessel by the wind on different tacks saw grampusses & two sails finished stowing down oil & cleaned up the decks at sundown took in the light sails & reefed the topsails Middle part the same Latter part the wind from the S. saw three sails & porpoises so ends this day