

# Ship Meridian Days Works

Apr. Fine weather under pleasant all sail set  
29th H. M. saw 2 ships off our bow beam standing  
" " to the westward the Cooper making buckles  
" " And the mate diving the goats off of the  
Quartermen Deck so ends with good weather 1830

April Fine and clear weather all sail set the mate  
30th Dressed some bananas betwixt the crew with  
" " John sheathing the windlass the Cooper  
" " Having seen the creek made a Banana  
" " Picking for us so ends the 24 hours 1830

May Fine morning we saw 2 ships in sight we  
1st " Duffie and they Duffie we raised whales  
" " from our ship the Gloucester killed one of them  
" " Before we got to her we lowered our boats  
" " And killed 3 of them the one we lowered  
" " That the Independence picked up we got our  
" " Whales along side of the ship and took in  
" " Sail and cut them before night we made  
" " Sail the man swung out there she blew  
" " Right there about 2 miles then the sun  
" " Was 12 fathoms high we lowered and struck  
" " 2 of them and got them made fast to the ship  
" " The Gloucester got one whale and 2 boats  
" " There in the bargain the Independence  
" " Got 3 of the school too. We got 5 of them  
" " And 2 boats stove very little. We killed 2  
" " Of the Independence whales with our craft

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May They raised the whales just but we had  
1st " them in killing them and cutting them in  
" " Do



91 Barrels " good luck &c &c

May We called all hands in the morning to  
2nd " Cut in our 2 fish we did and then made  
" " Sail and cleared Decks then 2 ships was  
" " in sight of us in the morning but ran  
" " away towards night so ends these 24 hours

May The old man fixing his boat and the  
3rd " crew off trying out the blubber broke out  
" " the fore hatch way for cash so ends 24

May John Perry cut me with a cutting spade  
4th " On the leg in the blubber room. P. M.  
" " Washed off the Decks so ends these 24 hours

May We unbent the new fore topsail and bent  
5th " the old one and got P. M. Coopering oil  
" " The old man would not give us a Watch  
" " Baited because we raised or beat them ships

May All hands employed in stowing down our  
6th " Oil John Perry let Her but run over with  
" " Carelessness so ends with calm weather 1830