

Ship Meridian 1830

Dec 5th A strong breeze of wind from the N.W. with rain and Eastward ship going 7th not a close hauler upon them

Dec 6th Do strong breeze of wind from the N.W. Nothing doing about the Dock. the people had a watch below

Dec 7th A.M. Took out reefs. P.M. raised a sail 1/2 point off our lee bow we squared away and runed down for her and spoke her it was the ship richmond of New Bedford. full blown home to America. she was at trying out a large whale she got. 1830

Dec 8th Fine weather a mast heads kept for looking for whale &c. Captain Fisher went on board the richmond to gammon the mate come on board

Dec 9th Very fine weather All sail out. All hands repairing the boats. the richmond in sight off our lee beam. so ends this 24 hours. 1830

Dec 10th Very fine weather All sail set the ship richmond gammon with us. All hands to work & fixing the boats &c so ends this 24. 1830.

Dec 12th A very pleasant day I assure you. All sail set. the people of richmond their clothes for money so ends 24 the richmond in sight off our lee

Dec 12th the main all mast. When sung out there she blew 3 mile. of 3 points off our lee bow. we squared away. Our yards &c runed towards them. Had lowered 3 boats. After the fish the Captain snored in. Henry Collins. He into the boat. the starboard struck first it was a small Bull. He stove us so bad I was obliged to get into the waste boat. And we killed her. Unget her along side of the ship and cut her in. the ship richmond crew helped us out her in. so ends this 24 hours. 1830. 174



35 Barrels

Dec 13th Very busy in trying out our little fish. Many we broke out. the ship richmond was for East &c so ends this 24 hours. 1830

Dec 14th All hands on deck to work. And a.m. Mending the boat. At 11 spoke the richmond of Nantucket. so ends this 24.