

Ship Montpelier Cruising for The Indian Ocean 1842.

Wednesday October 28th

Commenced with strong breezes at 6 A.M. the Boats came on board. At 3 P.M. saw 2 Right Whales. Lower and struck them both killed one and the other wounded and took the line last the Whale saw line and killed it. At 5 took the Whale a long side and commenced cutting at 9 finished and set the Wath at daylight. Commenced Bailing, saw 2 Ships one a Merchant Barge steering S.E. ends with strong winds at 8 with sun rain.

Lat by Obs 35.30 S

Thursday October 29th

Commenced with strong winds at 8 and thick rainy weather at 10 A.M. Could down at sunset light up started the Wath. Latter part more moderate with rain at 8 Could down at 11 light up started the Wath and made sail heading N.E. 30 ends

Lat by Obs 36.10 S. Long by Chron 61.12 E

Friday October 30th

Commenced with light winds at 8 A.M. and fine weather Middle part much the same at 11 A.M. finished Bailing. Latter part employed steering down, saw one right Whale yawning quick to the N.W. ends with light winds at 8 E steering N.W.

Lat by Obs 35.53 S. Long by Chron 61.10 E

Saturday October 31st

Commenced with a fresh breeze at 8 A.M. and overcast weather. At 11 P.M. finished steering down, Middle part thick and rainy. Latter part light winds and rainable with heavy sea standing on different tacks saw one Right Whale to nogg to lower ends

Lat by Obs 36.00 S. Long by Chron 61.17 E

Sunday November 1st

Commenced with moderate winds at 8 A.M. and a heavy sea, saw one Right Whale lower and chased with out success, Middle and Latter part strong breezes and equally weather, standing on different tacks, saw Nothing, thus ends

Lat by Obs 36.02 S. Long by Chron 60.51 E

Monday October 31st

Commenced with a gale at 8 A.M. equally Ship heading N.W. under short sail, Middle part the same, Latter part moderate winds at 8 A.M. fine weather steered S.E. saw Nothing, employed repairing the Main Spencer, thus ends

Lat by Obs 35.30 S

Tuesday November 1st

Commenced with moderate winds at 8 A.M. and fine weather steering S.E. saw several Pinbacks, Middle part much the same, at daylight saw two Right Whales, Lower the Boats and chased with out success two Ships in sight one a Cuttings ends fine weather standing on different tacks, thus ends

Lat by Obs 35.51 S. Long by Obs 61.20 E

Wednesday November 2nd

Commenced with fine weather saw 4 Right Whales lower and chased with out success, Middle and Latter part a gale at 8 A.M. and equally with some rain, saw one Whale to nogg to lower, employed in Ships thus ends

Lat by Obs 35.54 S. Long by Chron 61.28 E

Thursday November 3rd

Commenced with a gale at 8 A.M. heading S.E. saw several Whales, couldn't tell what they were, Middle part much the same, Latter part light airs and overcast weather saw several Right Whales lower and chased with out success, thus ends

Lat by Obs 35.57 S. Long by Chron 61.38 E

Friday November 4th

Commenced with a brisk breeze at 8 A.M. and overcast, saw several Right Whales lower and chased with out success, saw one Ship a bailing and cutting a Whale, Latter part a strong gale at 8 A.M. and overcast weather, saw several Whales couldn't tell what they were, employed repairing the Fore sail thus ends

Lat by Obs 36.10 S. No Obs