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Thursday 18th

This morn covered the Carboard and Fast Boats, and Capt and the remainder of ship company have been working out trying to make room for more oil. Soon after dinner saw the Carboard Boat was fast, and the whale soon directly towards the ship not giving the Fast Boat time to faster. Mr Holmes sat his crew for assistance as the whale acted badly. Capt went down and in a few minutes got to him and he with the most of his crew got into the Gas Boat and pulled up to him, and succeeded in killing him, about four o'clock. Capt and ~~most~~ boats come on board got the ship under way and went up to the Water Boat and got the whale alongside about 6 o'clock, and dropped anchor when we took him alongside it is the largest whale we have yet taken and it acted the worst. The Water Boat got to the other boats about time before the Capt killed the whale but did not fasten until after the whale was dead. Shall not cut in until morning. There is a very heavy swell here. So I could not iron today. Have been knitting on Elsie's hose and doing a little mending. The Globe is still in sight anchored. Capt Lippa crew give him a very harsh name.

Friday 19th

This morn cut in the whale and then lowered the Carboard and ~~Boats~~ Boats. My return about five o'clock not having seen a whale. I have taken up the right our stateroom and cleared the floor and put down mats. Shall not put down a carpet until just before we go into Port. The decks are so dirty that there is a great deal of dirt swept below on our feet that sticks like glue. I have also ironed and mended my clothes. This afternoon whale breaking out above. The Cooper and George Gilbert got into a quarrel, and used hammer to fight with. The Cooper struck George on the forehead cutting

quite a wound that bled profusely I was very much frightened. A waterman Thomas Brown was below with them and separated him just as the Capt got below but they not being separated I fear one of them would have been severely hurt. Both of them are very young temper, passionate men. I was really frightened, but I suppose there will always be more or less fighting on board a ship where there is so many men.

Sat 20th

This morn covered the L and W Boats. My return about 4 o'clock having seen no whale for the day. I have finished Frederick's stockings and mended a lot of old clothes. Oh what a rogue Frederick is. I know not how to take care of him. He is afraid of nothing, and my chief complaint I feel myself unworthy the charge of such a child. He needs far better training than I am capable of. My daily prayer is for grace and patience to train him in the right way.

Sunday 21st

This morn have anchored and have been heaving to the north with a light breeze. But a strong favorable current, and might dropped anchor near the place we left Tuesday morn. This forenoon stored what cold oil there was on deck, in the main hold between decks, here about seventeen bbls. Left on deck, a steamed jacket in this afternoon and north from the place where we were. You can see a vessel at anchor think it to be the Triton that we left here.

Monday 22nd

This morn covered the L and W Boats. The mate of the Triton that is anchored near us came on board. Two of their boats were down looking for whales. This afternoon a whale came up on the ship and the Star & Bow were went down but did not go as fast as he was going. This afternoon saw a steamer towing a

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