

July 1891

June 18th All four boats have been down have seen a number of whales but the boats going fast could not get to them. I have been working on my belt.

June 19th All the boats have been down again but have taken nothing. The Starlight got a small whale today and got under way and went to Windward.

June 20th All boats down again Capt has been in his boat for the three days. Today they have got another large whale. Struck about 1/2 past one. He ran several miles to the west before the ship. Under way went to the Star & Bow boats got the whale alongside about six o'clock. The Starboard and Bow boats have just got on board. They have seen no whales today except the two the other boats were chasing. I have finished my belt, "and carry a Rock Crib." We are now anchored near where the whale was turned up.

June 21st Sounded the Lar and Waist Boats, this morning commenced to haul out in the whale, haul out is fast up and commenced hauling. The whale was not a very good one. Large but thin blubber. I have been working on my shipper.

June 22nd The same boats down again this morning. The Starboard and Bow have finished hauling and 27 Bbls Struck down the cold oil. It struck very much being put into Bag and Box casks. Struck down 27 Bbls 27 1/2 galls. about 10 past four a Humphreys came up alongside the ship. The Starboard and Bow boats went down and about five the Star Boat fastened to him. Let colors for the other boats that were a few miles distant coming to the ship. We got to the whale just before it turned up. They had to tow against the tide but got the whale to the ship about eight o'clock. Capt and Officers are now eating supper.

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July 28th Sounded the Lar and Waist Boats this morning. Capt with the remainder of crew cut in the whale before breakfast about eight o'clock. The boats have returned here seen but one whale today. I would like to meet with them who this night assemble in our own Star church at home. Though absent in body I am with them in spirit and with them will pray for the same blessing.

July 29th All the boats have been down today. Ed went in his. They have seen four whales but they were all going very fast. They returned the same as they went. In taking things from the Starboard Boat tonight the Blacksmith dropped a pair of Office gloves overboard. I have made tin pins and cut and made the Cabin Boy a pair of pants.

July 30th This morning raised whale harrow Lar and Waist Boats, and then both anchors to work up the coast. soon after raised whale and the Star and Bow Boats went down. Ed went in his. Cropped with shipkeeper under the ship along as far as possible after them. But here but but little wind. Whales going fast could not get on them. Before leaving the Star and Bow Boats a Brig came along and we saw the Starboard kept on board him. To see if they had fruit. The Brig was a Portuguese. Brig named Pacific of Seixos. They had not much fruit would not sell but gave us about seven dozen Oranges, very nice ones. Starboard, Bow and Co. have butchered our last hog today. I have cut and made another pair of pants for the Cabin Boy. Another again.

August 1st Sounded the Lar and Waist Boats this morning. 20 Bbls Struck more and worked up the coast. 20 Bbls Boats chased whale all the forenoon. Starlight Boats have been chasing whales here as but got none. Off Capt came on board and