

Log of Whaling Ship *Ellie* of Putnam of

Saturday Nov 30th 185 days out
 These twenty four hours comes
 in with cloudy weather & passing
 rain squalls attended with much
 thunder winds light & baffling.
 See sails in sight. Saw Grampuses
 many Albicoris around but they do
 not come near enough to be caught
 Middle part light winds & squally
 latter part took a heavy squall from
 S & took in jib & foresail the day
 ends with heavy rain. Sat the
 Foresail No Observations

Lat per Acept. 7.20.8
 Longt do 19.25.0

Sunday December 1st
 Comes in with strong breezes &
 rainy weather from S & at 3.40 m
 rain lighted up saw breeches to the
 Southward. Lat fly jib & mainsail. at
 4.40 saw Sperm Whales. at 5.15
 lowered the boats, a heavy swell on
 & very bad seeing, did not succeed
 in getting the skin of the whales.
 at dark took up the boats, furled the
 fly jib & mainsail. latter part pleasant
 weather with a few passing squalls
 sehr steering different courses
 saw a pinback

Lat 7.30.0
 Longt 18.53 at 4h

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Monday December 2nd 187 days out
 Comes in with moderate breezes
 from E & S. S. to S. E. to S. W. to S. E.
 took in the foresail & boiled out the
 blackfish, at 3.15 saw a breach
 bearing S. E. & Sat the foresail. at
 5.15 saw the whales off the weather
 bow lowered the boats at 5.30
 both boats got fast at 8.15 got the
 whales labled shortened sail for the
 night & sat the watches
 latter part good weather but a heavy swell
 on. Cut in the whales

Lat 7.30.0
 Longt hatch 4h 18.44.30.0

Tuesday 3rd
 Comes in with pleasant weather, but
 nearly calm. Cleared away the heads
 & at 3h started the fire. Middle part
 passing rain squalls, latter part
 light breezes from Eastward saw
 blackfish starboard boat lowered
 for them but unsuccessfully.

Lat 8.00.0
 Longt 19.07.45.0

Whales