

Log of Whaling Ship *Seller* F. Putnam

Sunday December 15th 200th day out
Comes in with moderate breezes
from E & S. Ship steering S & W
under all lower sails. At sundown
furled the mainsail & set the trysail
latter part set mainsail & gafftopsail
Strong trades & rugged weather

Lat 10 05 N
Longt per watch at 4h 28 33 W

Monday 16th

Comes in with brisk breezes
from East, Ship steering S & W per
compass, At sundown furled
mainsail & set gafftopsail
middle part squally with rain
latter part moderate breezes but cloudy.
set mainsail & gafftopsail

Lat per Acpt 11 30
Longt do 31 20 W

Tuesday 17th

Comes in with brisk trades &
cloudy weather Ship steering
S & W, saw a Finback
middle & latter parts much the same
saw two schools of Blackfish

Lat 12 28 N
Longt per watch at 4h 35 01 W

of Provincetown *Elisha* H. Tillson Master 1857

Wednesday December 18th 203rd day out
Comes in with brisk Trades
Ship steering W per under all sail
except fore gafftopsail middle & latter
parts very rugged weather Ship steering
West a strong current here & many
tide rips Saw a Finback

Lat 11 59 N
Longt per watch at 4h 38 20 W

Thursday 19th

Comes in with strong trades & very
rugged weather Ship steering West
at 5h took in gafftopsail & mainsail
middle & latter parts strong trades & squally
weather & very rugged, called down
the mastheads, set fore gafftopsail

Lat 11. 37 N
Longt per watch at 4h 41 20 W

Friday 20th

Comes in with strong trades
& rugged weather many large tide
rips Ship steering West at dark
took in fore gafftopsail, took the
boom off the jib middle & latter parts
brisk breezes & squally weather set the
mainsail & gafftopsail

So Obs
Lat per Acpt 11 35 N
Longt do 4h