

Log of Whaling Schooner Nellie F. Putnam

Wednesday March 25

Came in with strong Trades & rugged weather. At 1h saw whales & lowered the boats for them. At 2hs the Larboard boat got fast to a Bull two other whales with him they took off shore, used up the three bomb lances that I had in the boat but neither of them exploded finally the gun drew & the whales went off. took the boats up & worked up to Packet farm where we came to an anchor for the night at 730 P.M. At daylight got under way & stood out, but the weather being too rugged to whale, worked up to Bequia & came to an anchor.

Thursday 26th

Came in with strong Trades broke out main hold & started fresh water from forward & filled up the casks in after hold & refilled the forward casks with salt water. Middle & latter parts strong Trades. All hands employed at various jobs of work.

of Provincetown Elisha H. Tilton ¹⁸⁸⁸ Master

Friday March 27th

300 days out
Came in with strong Trades & heavy squalls of rains, being too near the other vessels, hove up the anchor and warped up clear of them & anchored again secured to 25 fathoms. Middle & latter parts strong Trades cleared & blacked the frontwork.

Saturday 28th

Came in with squally weather attended with much rain. Middle & latter parts strong Trades.

Sunday 29th

Came in with strong trades but pleasant weather. Middle part heavy rains. latter part strong trades at daylight got under way & stood out into Mustique Channel at 2ohis saw whales but it was too rugged to lower for them.